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

2010

Open to Public Inspection

A For the 2010 calendar year, or tax year beginning Jul 1 **, 2010, and ending** Jun 30 **, 2011**

B Check if applicable	☐ Address change ☐ Name change ☐ Initial return ☐ Terminated ☐ Amended return ☐ Application pending
C Name of organization	Southern Appalachian Highlands Conservancy, Inc.
Doing Business As	
Number and street (or P O box if mail is not delivered to street addr)	34 Wall St.
Room/suite	502
City, town or country	Asheville
State	NC
ZIP code + 4	28801
D Employer Identification Number	62-1098890
E Telephone number	(828) 253-0095
G Gross receipts	$ 7,171,782.
F Name and address of principal officer	Carl Silverstein 34 Wall St., Ste. 502 Asheville NC 28801
H(a) Is this a group return for affiliates?	☐ Yes ☒ No
H(b) Are all affiliates included? If 'No,' attach a list (see instructions)	☐ Yes ☐ No
I Tax-exempt status	☒ 501(c)(3) ☐ 501(c) ( )◄ (insert no) ☐ 4947(a)(1) or ☐ 527
J Website: ►	www.appalachian.org
H(c) Group exemption number ►	
K Form of organization	☒ Corporation ☐ Trust ☐ Association ☐ Other ►
L Year of Formation	1974
M State of legal domicile	NC

Part I Summary

Activities & Governance

1 Briefly describe the organization's mission or most significant activities The Southern Appalachian Highlands Conservancy is one of the country's oldest and most respected land trusts. SAHC works to protect the world's oldest mountains for the benefit of present and future generation. SAHC works to conserve the unique plant and animal habitat, clean water, local farmland and scenic beauty of the mountains of North Carolina and east Tennessee (Continued See Note.)

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)	3	21
4	Number of independent voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1b)	4	21
5	Total number of individuals employed in calendar year 2010 (Part V, line 2a)	5	12
6	Total number of volunteers (estimate if necessary)	6	40
7a	Total unrelated business revenue from Part VIII, column (C), line 12	7a	0.
b	Net unrelated business taxable income from Form 990-T, line 34	7b	

			Prior Year	Current Year
Revenue	8	Contributions and grants (Part VIII, line 1h)	3,997,779.	7,033,922.
	9	Program service revenue (Part VIII, line 2g)	9,735.	
	10	Investment income (Part VIII, column (A), lines 3, 4, and 7d)	19,090.	102,582.
	11	Other revenue (Part VIII, column (A), lines 5, 6d, 8c, 9c, 10c, and 11e)	5,032.	21,276.
	12	Total revenue — add lines 8 through 11 (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	4,031,636.	7,157,780.
Expenses	13	Grants and similar amounts paid (Part IX, column (A), lines 1-3)	165,513.	153,661.
	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)	583,479.	588,912.
	16a	Professional fundraising fees (Part IX, column (A), line 11e)	0.	
	b	Total fundraising expenses (Part IX, column (D), line 25) ► 43,595.		
	17	Other expenses (Part IX, column (A), lines 11a-11d, 11f-24f)	2,331,262.	4,949,187.
	18	Total expenses Add lines 13-17 (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	3,080,254.	5,691,760.
	19	Revenue less expenses Subtract line 18 from line 12	951,382.	1,466,020.
			Beginning of Current Year	**End of Year**
Net Assets or Fund Balances	20	Total assets (Part X, line 16)	19,327,674.	20,000,888.
	21	Total liabilities (Part X, line 26)	2,367,398.	1,171,282.
	22	Net assets or fund balances Subtract line 21 from line 20	16,960,276.	18,829,606.

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Part II Signature Block

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

Sign Here

► Bill Maxwell — Signature of officer — Date 1-18-12

► Bill Maxwell Treasurer — Type or print name and title

Paid Preparer Use Only

Print/Type preparer's name	Stephen C Corliss
Preparer's signature	Stephen C Corliss
Date	01/10/12
Check ☐ if self-employed	
PTIN	
Firm's name ►	CORLISS & SOLOMON, PLLC
Firm's address ►	242 CHARLOTTE ST STE 1 ASHEVILLE NC 28801-1434
Firm's EIN ►	
Phone no	(828) 236-0206

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

BAA For Paperwork Reduction Act Notice, see the separate instructions. TEEA0101 03/25/11 Form **990** (2010)

Part III Statement of Program Service Accomplishments

Check if Schedule O contains a response to any question in this Part III ☐

1 Briefly describe the organization's mission:

The Southern Appalachian Highlands Conservancy is one of the country's oldest and most respected land trusts. SAHC works to protect the world's oldest mountains

See Form 990, Page 2, Part III, Line 1 (continued)

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 $ 5,477,196. including grants of $ 153,661.) (Revenue $ 0.)

Over the past fiscal year we completed 12 major conservation transactions discussed below which protect 1,876 acres of key mountain lands. This includes 5 fee simple purchases, 5 conservation easement purchases, and 3 conservation easement donations. The total value of these transactions was $5.7 million. Landowner donation of value was $2.5 million. The purchase price of these transactions was $3.2 million. This amount came in the form of private philanthropic contributions, donations and loans. We are now working on more than 18 significant transactions, which we hope will protect another 13,000 acres in the next 12-18 months.

4b (Code:) (Expenses $ including grants of $) (Revenue $)

We are also proud of our Farmland Preservation Program, which continues working on a 10 county regions Farmland Preservation Master Plan.

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

4d Other program services (Describe in Schedule O.)

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

4e Total program service expenses ► 5,477,196.

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	X	
2	Is the organization required to complete Schedule B, Schedule of Contributors? (see instructions)	2	X	
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		X
4	**Section 501(c)(3) organizations** Did the organization engage in lobbying activities, or have a section 501(h) election in effect during the tax year? *If 'Yes,' complete Schedule C, Part II*	4		X
5	Is the organization a section 501(c)(4), 501(c)(5), or 501(c)(6) organization that receives membership dues, assessments, or similar amounts as defined in Revenue Procedure 98-19? *If 'Yes,' complete Schedule C, Part III*	5		
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		X
7	Did the organization receive or hold a conservation easement, including easements to preserve open space, the environment, historic land areas or historic structures? *If 'Yes,' complete Schedule D, Part II*	7	X	
8	Did the organization maintain collections of works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets? *If 'Yes,' complete Schedule D, Part III*	8		X
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		X
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	X	
11	If the organization's answer to any of the following questions is 'Yes', then complete Schedule D, Parts VI, VII, VIII, IX, or X as applicable			
a	Did the organization report an amount for land, buildings and equipment in Part X, line 10? *If 'Yes,' complete Schedule D, Part VI*	11a	X	
b	Did the organization report an amount for investments— other securities in Part X, line 12 that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? *If 'Yes,' complete Schedule D, Part VII*	11b		X
c	Did the organization report an amount for investments— program related in Part X, line 13 that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? *If 'Yes,' complete Schedule D, Part VIII*	11c		X
d	Did the organization report an amount for other assets in Part X, line 15 that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? *If 'Yes,' complete Schedule D, Part IX*	11d	X	
e	Did the organization report an amount for other liabilities in Part X, line 25? *If 'Yes,' complete Schedule D, Part X*	11e		X
f	Did the organization's separate or consolidated financial statements for the tax year include a footnote that addresses the organization's liability for uncertain tax positions under FIN 48 (ASC 740)? *If 'Yes,' complete Schedule D, Part X*	11f	X	
12a	Did the organization obtain separate, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? *If 'Yes,' complete Schedule D, Parts XI, XII, and XIII*	12a	X	
b	Was the organization included in consolidated, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? *If 'Yes,' and if the organization answered 'No' to line 12a, then completing Schedule D, Parts XI, XII, and XIII is optional*	12b	X	
13	Is the organization a school described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? *If 'Yes,' complete Schedule E*	13		X
14a	Did the organization maintain an office, employees, or agents outside of the United States?	14a		X
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, Parts I and IV*	14b		X
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 United States? *If 'Yes,' complete Schedule F, Parts II and IV*	15		X
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 United States? *If 'Yes,' complete Schedule F, Parts III and IV*	16		X
17	Did the organization report a total of more than $15,000 of expenses for professional fundraising services on Part IX, column (A), lines 6 and 11e? *If 'Yes,' complete Schedule G, Part I (see instructions)*	17		X
18	Did the organization report more than $15,000 total of fundraising event gross income and contributions on Part VIII, lines 1c and 8a? *If 'Yes,' complete Schedule G, Part II*	18		X
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		X
20 a	Did the organization operate one or more hospitals? *If 'Yes,' complete Schedule H*	20		X
b	If 'Yes' to line 20a, did the organization attach its audited financial statements to this return? **Note.** Some Form 990 filers that operate one or more hospitals must attach audited financial statements (see instructions)	20b		

Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules *(continued)*

			Yes	No
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? *If 'Yes,' complete Schedule I, Parts I and II*	21	X	
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? *If 'Yes,' complete Schedule I, Parts I and III*	22		X
23	Did the organization answer 'Yes' to Part VII, Section A, line 3, 4, or 5 about compensation of the organization's current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, and highest compensated employees? *If 'Yes,' complete Schedule J*	23		X
24a	Did the organization have a tax-exempt bond issue with an outstanding principal amount of more than $100,000 as of the last day of the year, and that was issued after December 31, 2002? *If 'Yes,' answer lines 24b through 24d and complete Schedule K If 'No,'go to line 25*	24a		X
b	Did the organization invest any proceeds of tax-exempt bonds beyond a temporary period exception?	24b		
c	Did the organization maintain an escrow account other than a refunding escrow at any time during the year to defease any tax-exempt bonds?	24c		
d	Did the organization act as an 'on behalf of' issuer for bonds outstanding at any time during the year?	24d		
25a	**Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations.** Did the organization engage in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person during the year? *If 'Yes,' complete Schedule L, Part I*	25a		X
b	Is the organization aware that it engaged in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person in a prior year, and that the transaction has not been reported on any of the organization's prior Forms 990 or 990-EZ? *If 'Yes,' complete Schedule L, Part I*	25b		X
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? *If 'Yes,' complete Schedule L, Part II*	26		X
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? *If 'Yes,' complete Schedule L, Part III*	27		X
28	Was the organization a party to a business transaction with one of the following parties (see Schedule L, Part IV instructions for applicable filing thresholds, conditions, and exceptions):			
a	A current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee? *If 'Yes,' complete Schedule L, Part IV*	28a		X
b	A family member of a current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee? *If 'Yes,' complete Schedule L, Part IV*	28b		X
c	An entity of which a current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee (or a family member thereof) was an officer, director, trustee, or direct or indirect owner? *If 'Yes,' complete Schedule L, Part IV*	28c		X
29	Did the organization receive more than $25,000 in non-cash contributions? *If 'Yes,' complete Schedule M*	29	X	
30	Did the organization receive contributions of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets, or qualified conservation contributions? *If 'Yes,' complete Schedule M*	30	X	
31	Did the organization liquidate, terminate, or dissolve and cease operations? *If 'Yes,' complete Schedule N, Part I*	31		X
32	Did the organization sell, exchange, dispose of, or transfer more than 25% of its net assets? *If 'Yes,' complete Schedule N, Part II*	32		X
33	Did the organization own 100% of an entity disregarded as separate from the organization under Regulations sections 301 7701-2 and 301 7701-3? *If 'Yes,' complete Schedule R, Part I*	33		X
34	Was the organization related to any tax-exempt or taxable entity? *If 'Yes,' complete Schedule R, Parts II, III, IV, and V, line 1*	34		X
35	Is any related organization a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)?	35		X
a	Did the organization receive any payment from or engage in any transaction with a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? *If 'Yes,' complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2* ☐ Yes ☒ No			
36	**Section 501(c)(3) organizations.** Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization? *If 'Yes,' complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2*	36		X
37	Did the organization conduct more than 5% of its activities through an entity that is not a related organization and that is treated as a partnership for federal income tax purposes? *If 'Yes,' complete Schedule R, Part VI*	37		X
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	X	

Part V Statements Regarding Other IRS Filings and Tax Compliance

Check if Schedule O contains a response to any question in this Part V ☐

			Yes	No
1a Enter the number reported in Box 3 of Form 1096 Enter -0- if not applicable	1a 13			
b Enter the number of Forms W-2G included in line 1a Enter -0- if not applicable	1b 0			
c Did the organization comply with backup withholding rules for reportable payments to vendors and reportable gaming (gambling) winnings to prize winners?		1c	X	
2a Enter the number of employees reported on Form W-3, Transmittal of Wage and Tax Statements, filed for the calendar year ending with or within the year covered by this return	2a 12			
b If at least one is reported on line 2a, did the organization file all required federal employment tax returns?		2b	X	
Note. If the sum of lines 1a and 2a is greater than 250, you may be required to *e-file* (see instructions)				
3a Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of $1,000 or more during the year?		3a		X
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		X
b If 'Yes,' enter the name of the foreign country ►				
See instructions for 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		X
b Did any taxable party notify the organization that it was or is a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction?		5b		X
c If 'Yes,' to line 5a or 5b, did the organization file Form 8886-T?		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		X
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		X
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		X
d If 'Yes,' indicate the number of Forms 8282 filed during the year	7d			
e Did the organization receive any funds, directly or indirectly, to pay premiums on a personal benefit contract?		7e		X
f Did the organization, during the year, pay premiums, directly or indirectly, on a personal benefit contract?		7f		X
g If the organization received a contribution of qualified intellectual property, did the organization file Form 8899 as required?		7g		
h If the organization received a contribution of cars, boats, airplanes, or other vehicles, did the organization file a Form 1098-C?		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		X
9 Sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds.				
a Did the organization make any taxable distributions under section 4966?		9a		X
b Did the organization make a distribution to a donor, donor advisor, or related person?		9b		X
10 Section 501(c)(7) organizations. Enter				
a Initiation fees and capital contributions included on Part VIII, line 12	10a			
b Gross receipts, included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, for public use of club facilities	10b			
11 Section 501(c)(12) organizations. Enter				
a Gross income from members or shareholders	11a			
b Gross income from other sources (Do not net amounts due or paid to other sources against amounts due or received from them)	11b			
12a Section 4947(a)(1) non-exempt charitable trusts. Is the organization filing Form 990 in lieu of Form 1041?		12a		
b If 'Yes,' enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the year	12b			
13 Section 501(c)(29) qualified nonprofit health insurance issuers.				
a Is the organization licensed to issue qualified health plans in more than one state?		13a		
Note. See the instructions for additional information the organization must report on Schedule O				
b Enter the amount of reserves the organization is required to maintain by the states in which the organization is licensed to issue qualified health plans	13b			
c Enter the amount of reserves on hand	13c			
14a Did the organization receive any payments for indoor tanning services during the tax year?		14a		X
b If 'Yes,' has it filed a Form 720 to report these payments? *If 'No,' provide an explanation in Schedule O*		14b		

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

Check if Schedule O contains a response to any question in this Part VI [X]

Section A. Governing Body and Management

		Yes	No
1a Enter the number of voting members of the governing body at the end of the tax year — 1a: 21			
b Enter the number of voting members included in line 1a, above, who are independent — 1b: 21			
2 Did any officer, director, trustee, or key employee have a family relationship or a business relationship with any other officer, director, trustee or key employee?	2		X
3 Did the organization delegate control over management duties customarily performed by or under the direct supervision of officers, directors or trustees, or key employees to a management company or other person?	3		X
4 Did the organization make any significant changes to its governing documents since the prior Form 990 was filed?	4		X
5 Did the organization become aware during the year of a significant diversion of the organization's assets?	5		X
6 Does the organization have members or stockholders?	6		X
7a Does the organization have members, stockholders, or other persons who may elect one or more members of the governing body?	7a	X	
b Are any decisions of the governing body subject to approval by members, stockholders, or other persons?	7b		X
8 Did the organization contemporaneously document the meetings held or written actions undertaken during the year by the following:			
a The governing body?	8a	X	
b Each committee with authority to act on behalf of the governing body?	8b	X	
9 Is there any officer, director or trustee, or key employee listed in Part VII, Section A, who cannot be reached at the organization's mailing address? *If 'Yes,' provide the names and addresses in Schedule O*	9		X

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

		Yes	No
10a Does the organization have local chapters, branches, or affiliates?	10a		X
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		
11a Has the organization provided a copy of this Form 990 to all members of its governing body before filing the form?	11a	X	
b Describe in Schedule O the process, if any, used by the organization to review this Form 990			
12a Does the organization have a written conflict of interest policy? *If 'No,' go to line 13*	12a	X	
b Are officers, directors or trustees, and key employees required to disclose annually interests that could give rise to conflicts?	12b	X	
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	X	
13 Does the organization have a written whistleblower policy?	13	X	
14 Does the organization have a written document retention and destruction policy?	14	X	
15 Did the process for determining compensation of the following persons include a review and approval by independent persons, comparability data, and contemporaneous substantiation of the deliberation and decision?			
a The organization's CEO, Executive Director, or top management official	15a	X	
b Other officers of key employees of the organization	15b	X	
If 'Yes' to line 15a or 15b, describe the process in Schedule O (See instructions.)			
16a Did the organization invest in, contribute assets to, or participate in a joint venture or similar arrangement with a taxable entity during the year?	16a		X
b If 'Yes,' 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 ► See Form 990, Page 6, Line 17 (continued)

18 Section 6104 requires an organization to make its Forms 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 [X] 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

20 State the name, physical address, and telephone number of the person who possesses the books and records of the organization

► S. Appalachian Highlands Conservan 34 Wall St. Suite 502, Asheville NC 28801 (828) 253-0095

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

Check if Schedule O contains a response to any question in this Part VII ☐

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

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

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

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

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

(A) Name and title	(B) Average hours per week (describe hours for related organizations in Schedule O)	(C) Position: Individual trustee or director	Institutional trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former	(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
(1) Witt Langstaff, Jr. President	2.00	X		X				0.	0.	0.
(2) Jeanette Blazier Vice President	2.00	X		X				0.	0.	0.
(3) Bill Maxwell Treasurer	2.00	X		X				0.	0.	0.
(4) Jay Leutze Secretary	2.00	X		X				0.	0.	0.
(5) Bruce Cummingham At Large	1.00	X						0.	0.	0.
(6) Courtney Blossman Board Member	1.00	X						0.	0.	0.
(7) Leslie Casse Board Member	1.00	X						0.	0.	0.
(8) Richard Coker Board Member	1.00	X						0.	0.	0.
(9) Joe DeLoach Board Member	1.00	X						0.	0.	0.
(10) Nancy Edgerton Board Member	1.00	X						0.	0.	0.
(11) Jack Hamilton Board Member	1.00	X						0.	0.	0.
(12) Doris Gove Board Member	1.00	X						0.	0.	0.
(13) Lindsay Hearn Board Member	1.00	X						0.	0.	0.
(14) Florence Krupnick Board Member	1.00	X						0.	0.	0.
(15) Bill Jones Board Member	1.00	X						0.	0.	0.
(16) Bill Lowndes Board Member	1.00	X						0.	0.	0.
(17) Tom Laughlin Board Member	1.00	X						0.	0.	0.

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

(A) Name and title	(B) Average hours per week (describe hours for related organizations in Sch O)	(C) Individual trustee or director	Institutional trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former	(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
(18) Ken Maness Board Member	1.00	X						0.	0.	0.
(19) David Ramsey Board Member	1.00	X						0.	0.	0.
(20) Kathy Singleton Board Member	1.00	X						0.	0.	0.
(21) Milton "Buddy" Tignor, Jr. Board Member	1.00	X						0.	0.	0.
(22) Carl Silverstein Executive Director	40.00			X				82,285.	0.	15,346.
(23)										
(24)										
(25)										
(26)										
(27)										
(28)										
(29)										
1 b Sub-total ►								82,285.	0.	15,346.
c Total from continuation sheets to Part VII, Section A ►										
d Total (add lines 1b and 1c) ►								82,285.	0.	15,346.

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 ►

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

Section B. Independent Contractors

1 Complete this table for your five highest compensated independent contractors that received more than $100,000 of compensation from the organization

(A) Name and business address	(B) Description of services	(C) Compensation

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 ►

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 60,290.				
	c Fundraising events	1c				
	d Related organizations	1d				
	e Government grants (contributions)	1e 1,896,225.				
	f All other contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts not included above	1f 5,077,407.				
	g Noncash contributions included in lns 1a-1f	$ 1,770,441.				
	h **Total.** Add lines 1a-1f	►	7,033,922.			
PROGRAM SERVICE REVENUE		Business Code				
	2a					
	b					
	c					
	d					
	e					
	f All other program service revenue					
	g **Total.** Add lines 2a-2f	►				
OTHER REVENUE	3 Investment income (including dividends, interest and other similar amounts)	►	102,582.	0.	0.	102,582.
	4 Income from investment of tax-exempt bond proceeds	►				
	5 Royalties	►				
		(i) Real / (ii) Personal				
	6a Gross Rents	15,300. /				
	b Less· rental expenses	5,089. /				
	c Rental income or (loss)	10,211. /				
	d Net rental income or (loss)	►	10,211.	0.	. 0.	10,211.
		(i) Securities / (ii) Other				
	7a Gross amount from sales of assets other than inventory					
	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 $ 2,885. of contributions reported on line 1c) See Part IV, line 18	a 14,376.				
	b Less direct expenses	b 5,439.				
	c Net income or (loss) from fundraising events	►	8,937.		0.	8,937.
	9a Gross income from gaming activities See Part IV, line 19	a				
	b Less: direct expenses	b				
	c Net income or (loss) from gaming activities	►				
	10a Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances	a 1,064.				
	b Less· cost of goods sold	b 3,474.				
	c Net income or (loss) from sales of inventory	►	-2,410.	0.	0.	-2,410.
	Miscellaneous Revenue	Business Code				
	11a Miscellaneous	900099	4,538.	0.	0.	4,538.
	b					
	c					
	d All other revenue					
	e **Total.** Add lines 11a-11d	►	4,538.			
	12 **Total revenue.** See instructions	►	7,157,780.	0.	0.	123,858.

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	153,661.	153,661.		
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				
4 Benefits paid to or for members				
5 Compensation of current officers, directors, trustees, and key employees	96,161.	68,782.	18,338.	9,041.
6 Compensation not included above, to disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)) and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B)				
7 Other salaries and wages	396,261.	323,069.	51,456.	21,736.
8 Pension plan contributions (include section 401(k) and section 403(b) employer contributions)	9,920.	7,894.	1,406.	620.
9 Other employee benefits	43,559.	34,663.	6,174.	2,722.
10 Payroll taxes	43,011.	34,227.	6,096.	2,688.
11 Fees for services (non-employees)				
a Management				
b Legal	13,319.	13,319.	0.	0.
c Accounting	12,120.	0.	12,120.	0.
d Lobbying				
e Professional fundraising services See Part IV, line 17				
f Investment management fees	31,129.	0.	31,129.	0.
g Other	27,155.	16,902.	10,253.	0.
12 Advertising and promotion	567.	0.	567.	0.
13 Office expenses	33,093.	23,169.	7,720.	2,204.
14 Information technology	7,062.	4,629.	2,433.	0.
15 Royalties				
16 Occupancy	39,375.	31,799.	5,078.	2,498.
17 Travel	18,818.	15,054.	1,882.	1,882.
18 Payments of travel or entertainment expenses for any federal, state, or local public officials				
19 Conferences, conventions, and meetings	10,586.	7,067.	3,337.	182.
20 Interest	40,995.	40,995.	0.	0.
21 Payments to affiliates				
22 Depreciation, depletion, and amortization	14,842.	8,905.	5,937.	0.
23 Insurance	9,175.	4,019.	5,156.	0.
24 Other expenses Itemize expenses not covered above (List miscellaneous expenses in line 24f If line 24f amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A) amount, list line 24f expenses on Schedule O)				
a Dues & Subscriptions	4,210.	3,158.	1,052.	0.
b Land Transaction Fees	1,043,989.	1,043,989.	0.	0.
c Land Transfers to State	3,488,802.	3,488,802.	0.	0.
d Surveys & Appraisals	85,256.	85,256.	0.	0.
e Property Taxes	64,372.	64,372.	0.	0.
f All other expenses	4,322.	3,465.	835.	22.
25 **Total functional expenses.** Add lines 1 through 24f	5,691,760.	5,477,196.	170,969.	43,595.
26 **Joint costs.** Check here ► ☐ if following SOP 98-2 (ASC 958-720) 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) Beginning of year		(B) End of year
Assets	1	Cash – non-interest-bearing	34,595.	1	50,209.
	2	Savings and temporary cash investments	964,083.	2	981,395.
	3	Pledges and grants receivable, net	35,399.	3	77,643.
	4	Accounts receivable, net		4	
	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)), persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B), and contributing employers and sponsoring organizations of section 501(c)(9) voluntary employees' beneficiary organizations (see instructions)		6	
	7	Notes and loans receivable, net	60,000.	7	30,000.
	8	Inventories for sale or use		8	
	9	Prepaid expenses and deferred charges	21,906.	9	15,904.
	10a	Land, buildings, and equipment cost or other basis Complete Part VI of Schedule D — 10a 14,562,680.			
	b	Less accumulated depreciation — 10b 67,314.	14,264,229.	10c	14,495,366.
	11	Investments – publicly traded securities	2,201,778.	11	2,474,417.
	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	1,745,684.	15	1,875,954.
	16	**Total assets** Add lines 1 through 15 (must equal line 34)	19,327,674.	16	20,000,888.
Liabilities	17	Accounts payable and accrued expenses	19,390.	17	25,916.
	18	Grants payable		18	
	19	Deferred revenue		19	
	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	2,273,008.	23	1,080,366.
	24	Unsecured notes and loans payable to unrelated third parties	75,000.	24	65,000.
	25	Other liabilities Complete Part X of Schedule D		25	
	26	**Total liabilities.** Add lines 17 through 25	2,367,398.	26	1,171,282.
Net Assets or Fund Balances		**Organizations that follow SFAS 117, check here ► [X] and complete lines 27 through 29 and lines 33 and 34.**			
	27	Unrestricted net assets	3,275,435.	27	3,782,614.
	28	Temporarily restricted net assets	1,309,259.	28	1,287,322.
	29	Permanently restricted net assets	12,375,582.	29	13,759,670.
		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	16,960,276.	33	18,829,606.
	34	Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances	19,327,674.	34	20,000,888.

Part XI Reconciliation of Net Assets

Check if Schedule O contains a response to any question in this Part XI [X]

1	Total revenue (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	1	7,157,780.
2	Total expenses (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	2	5,691,760.
3	Revenue less expenses Subtract line 2 from line 1	3	1,466,020.
4	Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (must equal Part X, line 33, column (A))	4	16,960,276.
5	Other changes in net assets or fund balances (explain in Schedule O)	5	403,310.
6	Net assets or fund balances at end of year Combine lines 3, 4, and 5 (must equal Part X, line 33, column (B))	6	18,829,606.

Part XII Financial Statements and Reporting

Check if Schedule O contains a response to any question in this Part XII [X]

			Yes	No
1	Accounting method used to prepare the Form 990 [ ] Cash [X] 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?	2a		X
b	Were the organization's financial statements audited by an independent accountant?	2b	X	
c	If 'Yes' to line 2a or 2b, does the organization have a committee that assumes responsibility for oversight of the audit, review, or compilation of its financial statements and selection of an independent accountant?	2c	X	
	If the organization changed either its oversight process or selection process during the tax year, explain in Schedule O			
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 separate basis, consolidated basis, or both [X] Separate basis [ ] Consolidated basis [ ] Both consolidated and separate 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?	3a		X
b	If 'Yes,' did the organization undergo the required audit or audits? If the organization did not undergo the required audit or audits, explain why in Schedule O and describe any steps taken to undergo such audits	3b		

SCHEDULE A (Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service

Public Charity Status and Public Support

Complete if the organization is a section 501(c)(3) organization or a section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust.

► **Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ.** ► **See separate instructions.**

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Name of the organization	Employer identification number
Southern Appalachian Highlands Conservancy, Inc.	62-1098890

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

The organization is not a private foundation because it is: (For lines 1 through 11, check only one box)

1 ☐ A church, convention of churches or association of churches described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(i).**

2 ☐ A school described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii).** (Attach Schedule E)

3 ☐ A hospital or a cooperative hospital service organization described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii).**

4 ☐ A medical research organization operated in conjunction with a hospital described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii)** Enter the hospital's name, city, and state

5 ☐ An organization operated for the benefit of a college or university owned or operated by a governmental unit described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iv).** (Complete Part II)

6 ☐ A federal, state, or local government or governmental unit described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(v).**

7 ☐ An organization that normally receives a substantial part of its support from a governmental unit or from the general public described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi).** (Complete Part II)

8 ☐ A community trust described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi).** (Complete Part II)

9 ☒ An organization that normally receives (1) more than 33-1/3% of its support from contributions, membership fees, and gross receipts from activities related to its exempt functions – subject to certain exceptions, and (2) no more than 33-1/3% of its support from gross investment income and unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 tax) from businesses acquired by the organization after June 30, 1975 See **section 509(a)(2).** (Complete Part III)

10 ☐ An organization organized and operated exclusively to test for public safety See **section 509(a)(4).**

11 ☐ An organization organized and operated exclusively for the benefit of, to perform the functions of, or carry out the purposes of one or more publicly supported organizations described in section 509(a)(1) or section 509(a)(2) See **section 509(a)(3).** Check the box that describes the type of supporting organization and complete lines 11e through 11h

a ☐ Type I b ☐ Type II c ☐ Type III – Functionally integrated d ☐ Type III – Other

e ☐ By checking this box, I certify that the organization is not controlled directly or indirectly by one or more disqualified persons other than foundation managers and other than one or more publicly supported organizations described in section 509(a)(1) or section 509(a)(2)

f If the organization received a written determination from the IRS that is a Type I, Type II or Type III supporting organization, check this box ☐

g Since August 17, 2006, has the organization accepted any gift or contribution from any of the following persons?

			Yes	No
(i)	A person who directly or indirectly controls, either alone or together with persons described in (ii) and (iii) below, the governing body of the supported organization?	11g (i)		
(ii)	A family member of a person described in (i) above?	11g (ii)		
(iii)	A 35% controlled entity of a person described in (i) or (ii) above?	11g (iii)		

h Provide the following information about the supported organization(s)

(i) Name of supported organization	(ii) EIN	(iii) Type of organization (described on lines 1-9 above or IRC section (see instructions))	(iv) Is the organization in column (i) listed in your governing document? Yes	No	(v) Did you notify the organization in column (i) of your support? Yes	No	(vi) Is the organization in column (i) organized in the U S ? Yes	No	(vii) Amount of support
(A)									
(B)									
(C)									
(D)									
(E)									
Total									

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

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

Section A. Public Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ►	(a) 2006	(b) 2007	(c) 2008	(d) 2009	(e) 2010	(f) Total
1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received (Do not include 'unusual grants ')						
2 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to it or expended on its behalf						
3 The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge						
4 **Total.** Add lines 1 through 3						
5 The portion of total contributions by each person (other than a governmental unit or publicly supported organization) included on line 1 that exceeds 2% of the amount shown on line 11, column (f)						
6 **Public support.** Subtract line 5 from line 4						

Section B. Total Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ►	(a) 2006	(b) 2007	(c) 2008	(d) 2009	(e) 2010	(f) Total
7 Amounts from line 4						
8 Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources						
9 Net income from unrelated business activities, whether or not the business is regularly carried on						
10 Other income Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part IV)						
11 **Total support.** Add lines 7 through 10						

12 Gross receipts from related activities, etc (see instructions) | 12 |

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

Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage

14 Public support percentage for 2010 (line 6, column (f) divided by line 11, column (f)) | 14 | %

15 Public support percentage from 2009 Schedule A, Part II, line 14 | 15 | %

16a **33-1/3% support test — 2010.** If the organization did not check the box on line 13, and the line 14 is 33-1/3% or more, check this box and **stop here.** The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization ► ☐

b **33-1/3% support test — 2009.** If the organization did not check a box on line 13 or 16a, and line 15 is 33-1/3% or more, check this box and **stop here.** The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization ► ☐

17a **10%-facts-and-circumstances test — 2010.** If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, or 16b, and line 14 is 10% or more, and if the organization meets the 'facts-and-circumstances' test, check this box and **stop here.** Explain in Part IV how the organization meets the 'facts-and-circumstances' test The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization ► ☐

b **10%-facts-and-circumstances test — 2009.** If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, 16b, or 17a, and line 15 is 10% or more, and if the organization meets the 'facts-and-circumstances' test, check this box and **stop here.** Explain in Part IV how the organization meets the 'facts-and-circumstances' test The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization ► ☐

18 **Private foundation.** If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, 16b, 17a, or 17b, check this box and see instructions ► ☐

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

(Complete only if you checked the box on line 9 of Part I or if the organization failed to qualify under Part II If the organization fails to qualify under the tests listed below, please complete Part II.)

Section A. Public Support

Calendar year (or fiscal yr beginning in) ►	(a) 2006	(b) 2007	(c) 2008	(d) 2009	(e) 2010	(f) Total
1 Gifts, grants, contributions and membership fees received (Do not include any 'unusual grants.')	2,010,994.	2,667,463.	12,662,362.	3,997,779.	7,033,922.	28,372,520.
2 Gross receipts from admissions, merchandise sold or services performed, or facilities furnished in any activity that is related to the organization's tax-exempt purpose	353,556.	47,564.	25,331.	18,197.	30,740.	475,388.
3 Gross receipts from activities that are not an unrelated trade or business under section 513						
4 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf						
5 The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge						
6 **Total.** Add lines 1 through 5	2,364,550.	2,715,027.	12,687,693.	4,015,976.	7,064,662.	28,847,908.
7a Amounts included on lines 1, 2, and 3 received from disqualified persons	557,500.	5,577,592.	4,075,500.	742,578.	2,562,500.	13,515,670.
b Amounts included on lines 2 and 3 received from other than disqualified persons that exceed the greater of $5,000 or 1% of the amount on line 13 for the year						
c Add lines 7a and 7b	557,500.	5,577,592.	4,075,500.	742,578.	2,562,500.	13,515,670.
8 **Public support** (Subtract line 7c from line 6)						15,332,238.

Section B. Total Support

Calendar year (or fiscal yr beginning in) ►	(a) 2006	(b) 2007	(c) 2008	(d) 2009	(e) 2010	(f) Total
9 Amounts from line 6	2,364,550.	2,715,027.	12,687,693.	4,015,976.	7,064,662.	28,847,908.
10a Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources	70,281.	69,662.	76,833.	19,090.	102,582.	338,448.
b Unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 taxes) from businesses acquired after June 30, 1975						
c Add lines 10a and 10b	70,281.	69,662.	76,833.	19,090.	102,582.	338,448.
11 Net income from unrelated business activities not included in line 10b, whether or not the business is regularly carried on						
12 Other income Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part IV)	7,048.	3,834.	1,360.	0.	4,538.	16,780.
13 **Total support.** (Add lns 9, 10c, 11, and 12)						29,203,136.

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

Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage

15 Public support percentage for 2010 (line 8, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f))	15	52.50 %
16 Public support percentage from 2009 Schedule A, Part III, line 15	16	51.36 %

Section D. Computation of Investment Income Percentage

17 Investment income percentage for **2010** (line 10c, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f))	17	1.16 %
18 Investment income percentage from **2009** Schedule A, Part III, line 17	18	1.06 %

19a **33-1/3% support tests – 2010.** If the organization did not check the box on line 14, and line 15 is more than 33-1/3%, and line 17 is not more than 33-1/3%, check this box and **stop here.** The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization ► ☒

b **33-1/3% support tests – 2009.** If the organization did not check a box on line 14 or line 19a, and line 16 is more than 33-1/3%, and line 18 is not more than 33-1/3%, check this box and **stop here.** The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization ► ☐

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

Part IV Supplemental Information. Complete this part to provide the explanations required by Part II, line 10; Part II, line 17a or 17b; and Part III, line 12. Also complete this part for any additional information. (See instructions).

Other Income Part III, Line 12

Description: Miscellaneous

2006: 7048.

2007: 3834.

2008: 1360.

2009: 0.

2010: 4538.

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, lines 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, or 12.
► Attach to Form 990. ► See separate instructions.

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Name of the organization	Employer identification number
Southern Appalachian Highlands Conservancy, Inc.	62-1098890

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 can be used only for charitable purposes and not for the benefit of the donor or donor advisor, or for any other purpose conferring impermissible private benefit? ☐ 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)

- [X] Preservation of land for public use (e g , recreation or education)
- [ ] Preservation of an historically important land area
- [X] Protection of natural habitat
- [X] Preservation of a certified historic structure
- [X] Preservation of open space

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

		Held at the End of the Tax Year
a Total number of conservation easements	2a	96
b Total acreage restricted by conservation easements	2b	20,684.0
c Number of conservation easements on a certified historic structure included in (a)	2c	1
d Number of conservation easements included in (c) acquired after 8/17/06, and not on a historic structure listed in the National Register	2d	0

3 Number of conservation easements modified, transferred, released, extinguished, or terminated by the organization during the tax year ► 1

4 Number of states where property subject to conservation easement is located ► 2

5 Does the organization have a written policy regarding the periodic monitoring, inspection, handling of violations, and enforcement of the conservation easements it holds? [X] Yes ☐ No

6 Staff and volunteer hours devoted to monitoring, inspecting, and enforcing conservation easements during the year ► 2,500

7 Amount of expenses incurred in monitoring, inspecting, and enforcing conservation easements during the year ► $ 40,700.

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

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

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

(i) 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 (ASC 958) 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 acquisition, accession, and other records, check any of the following that are a significant use of its collection items (check all that apply)

a ☐ Public exhibition
b ☐ Scholarly research
c ☐ Preservation for future generations
d ☐ Loan or exchange programs
e ☐ Other

4 Provide a description of the organization's collections and explain how they further the organization's exempt purpose in Part 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 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	1c	
d Additions during the year	1d	
e Distributions during the year	1e	
f Ending balance	1f	

2a Did the organization include an amount on Form 990, Part X, line 21? ☐ 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	2,403,218.	639,431.	499,869.		
b Contributions		1,723,100.	300,850.		
c Net investment earnings, gains, and losses	388,297.	97,052.	-142,362.		
d Grants or scholarships					
e Other expenditures for facilities and programs	49,464.	39,249.	14,140.		
f Administrative expenses	22,856.	17,116.	4,786.		
g End of year balance	2,719,195.	2,403,218.	639,431.		

2 Provide the estimated percentage of the year end balance held as

a Board designated or quasi-endowment ► 15.05 %

b Permanent endowment ► 84.95 %

c Term endowment ► 0.00 %

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)	X	
(ii) related organizations	3a(ii)		X
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 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				
b Buildings		249,557.	30,069.	219,488.
c Leasehold improvements				
d Equipment		44,549.	37,245.	7,304.
e Other		14,268,574.	0.	14,268,574.
Total. Add lines 1a through 1e *(Column (d) must equal Form 990, Part X, column (B), line 10(c).)* ►				14,495,366.

Part VII Investments–Other Securities. See Form 990, Part X, line 12.

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

Part VIII Investments–Program Related. (See Form 990, Part X, line 13)

(a) Description of investment type	(b) Book value	(c) Method of valuation Cost or end-of-year market value
(1)		
(2)		
(3)		
(4)		
(5)		
(6)		
(7)		
(8)		
(9)		
(10)		
Total. *(Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, column (B) line 13.)* ►		

Part IX Other Assets. (See Form 990, Part X, line 15)

(a) Description	(b) Book value
(1) Funds with the Community Foundation of WNC	0.
(2) -Roan Endowment	57,388.
(3) -Land and Conservation Easement Stewardship Endowment	245,010.
(4) -Land and Conservation Easement Acquistion Endowment	170,455.
(5) -Highlands Fund Operating Endowment	351,790.
(6) Land Assets Subject to Life Estate, Net	1,051,311.
(7)	
(8)	
(9)	
(10)	
Total. *(Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, column(B), line 15)* ►	1,875,954.

Part X Other Liabilities. (See Form 990, Part X, line 25)

(a) Description of liability	(b) Amount
(1) Federal income taxes	
(2)	
(3)	
(4)	
(5)	
(6)	
(7)	
(8)	
(9)	
(10)	
(11)	
Total *(Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, column (B) line 25)* ►	

2. FIN 48 (ASC 740) Footnote. In Part XIV, provide the text of the footnote to the organization's financial statements that reports the organization's liability for uncertain tax positions under FIN 48 (ASC 740)

Part XI Reconciliation of Change in Net Assets from Form 990 to Audited Financial Statements

1	Total revenue (Form 990, Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	7,157,780.
2	Total expenses (Form 990, Part IX, column (A), line 25)	5,691,760.
3	Excess or (deficit) for the year Subtract line 2 from line 1	1,466,020.
4	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	403,310.
5	Donated services and use of facilities	
6	Investment expenses	
7	Prior period adjustments	
8	Other (Describe in Part XIV)	
9	Total adjustments (net) Add lines 4 through 8	403,310.
10	Excess or (deficit) for the year per audited financial statements Combine lines 3 and 9	1,869,330.

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	7,607,431.
2	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12:				
a	Net unrealized gains on investments	2a	403,310.		
b	Donated services and use of facilities	2b	32,339.		
c	Recoveries of prior year grants	2c			
d	Other (Describe in Part XIV)	2d	14,002.		
e	Add lines **2a** through **2d**			2e	449,651.
3	Subtract line **2e** from line **1**			3	7,157,780.
4	Amounts included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, but not on line **1**				
a	Investments expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b	4a			
b	Other (Describe in Part XIV)	4b			
c	Add lines **4a** and **4b**			4c	
5	Total revenue Add lines **3** and **4c.** *(This must equal Form 990, Part I, line 12.)*			5	7,157,780.

Part XIII Reconciliation of Expenses per Audited Financial Statements With Expenses per Return

1	Total expenses and losses per audited financial statements			1	5,738,101.
2	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part IX, line 25:				
a	Donated services and use of facilities	2a	32,339.		
b	Prior year adjustments	2b			
c	Other losses	2c			
d	Other (Describe in Part XIV)	2d	14,002.		
e	Add lines **2a** through **2d**			2e	46,341.
3	Subtract line **2e** from line **1**			3	5,691,760.
4	Amounts included on Form 990, Part IX, line 25, but not on line **1**:				
a	Investments expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b	4a			
b	Other (Describe in Part XIV)	4b			
c	Add lines **4a** and **4b**			4c	
5	Total expenses Add lines **3** and **4c.** *(This must equal Form 990, Part I, line 18)*			5	5,691,760.

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, line 2, 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.

Pt II Line 3 SAHC amended a 46-acre conservation easement to establish guidelines

Pt II Line 3 for permitted locations of allowed development infrastructure, with

Pt II Line 3 no change in total amount of development allowed by the

Pt II Line 3 conservation easement.

Pt II Line 5 SAHC has a conservation easement monitoring & enforcement policy that's been

Pt II Line 5 adopted based on guidelines set forth by the Land Trust Alliance through

Pt II Line 5 its accredidation process. Monitoring is performed by a Land Stewardship

Pt II Line 5 Coordinator. SAHC has enforcement capability & maintains a legal defense fund.

Part XIV Supplemental Information *(continued)*

Pt II Line 9	Please see attached note from the audit report.
Pt V Line 4	To generate income for conservation easement stewardship,
Pt V Line 4	land acquisition and other conservation purposes consistent
Pt V Line 4	with the purpose and terms of each endowment fund.
Pt X	SAHC is exempt from federal income taxes under 501(c)(3) of the Internal
Pt X	Revenue Code. Under the Code, income from certain activities not related to the
Pt X	organization's tax-exempt purpose may be subject to taxation as unrelated business income.
Pt X	The organization had less than $1,000 of income from unrelated business activities in
Pt X	the 2010-11 fiscal year and was, therefore, not required to file Federal Form 990-T
Pt X	(Exempt Organization Business Income Tax Return). The organization believes
Pt X	that it has appropriate support for all tax positions taken, and as such,
Pt X	does not have any uncertain tax positions that are material to the financial
Pt X	statements. The organization's Forms 990 for 2009, 2010 and 2011 are subject
Pt X	to examination by the IRS, generally for three years after being filed.
Pt XII Line 2d	Event Expense $5,439, Rental Expense $5,089, Merchandise Expense $3,474
Pt XIII Line 2d	Event Expense $5,439, Rental Expense $5,089, Merchandise Expense $3,474

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, lines 21 or 22.
► Attatch to Form 990.

OMB No 1545-0047

2010

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Name of the organization: Southern Appalachian Highlands Conservancy, Inc.

Employer identification number: 62-1098890

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? [X] **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. Part II can be duplicated if additional space is needed ► [ ]

1 (a) Name and address of organization or government	(b) EIN	(c) IRC 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
(1) Conservation Trust for NC 1028 Washington St Raleigh NC 27605	58-1552188	501(c)(3)	27,994.				Land Conservat
(2) The North Carolina Arbore 100 Frederick Law Olmsted Asheville NC 28806	56-1712373	501(c)(3)	100,000.				Land Conservat
(3)							
(4)							
(5)							
(6)							
(7)							
(8)							

2 Enter total number of section 501(c)(3) and government organizations ► 9

3 Enter total number of other organizations ► 0

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. Part III can be duplicated if additional space is needed.

	(a) Type of grant or assistance	(b) Number of recipients	(c) Amount of cash grant	(d) Amount of non-cash assistance	(e) Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other)	(f) Description of non-cash assistance
1						
2						
3						
4						
5						
6						
7						

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

Pt I Line 2	Each organization must go through an application process, a selection
Pt I Line 2	process by the steering committee and each group must complete a grant
Pt I Line 2	agreement that contains the following:
Pt I Line 2	RESPONSIBILITIES: The Subgrantee is to use the funds in accordance
Pt I Line 2	with their approved subgrant application (guidelines attached).
Pt I Line 2	SUBGRANT PERIOD: grant period is scheduled to end xxxdate. All subgrant
Pt I Line 2	funds should be expended between xxxdate and xxx date.
Pt I Line 2	REPORTS: The Subgrantee agrees to prepare and deliver to Blue Ridge Forever
Pt I Line 2	a report on the use of these funds on the attached form by xxx, 2010
Pt I Line 2	to be collectively submitted to the Grantors for all activity under the grant

See Schedule I (Form 990) - Part IV - Supplemental Information (Continuation Sheet)

Schedule I (Form 990) - Part IV - Supplemental Information (continued)

Schedule I (Form 990) - Part IV - Supplemental Information (Continuation Sheet)

Pt I Line 2	as required by Grantor.
Pt I Line 2	Accounting Practices: The Subgrantee must adhere to generally accepted accounting
Pt I Line 2	principles in maintaining accurate, current and complete records. Upon request,
Pt I Line 2	the Subgrantee shall permit authorized representatives from SAHC or the Grantor
Pt I Line 2	to inspect and/or have audited all work, materials, payrolls, records,
Pt I Line 2	and other data with respect to the Subgrantee's operations and expenditure of grant
Pt I Line 2	funds provided under this contract. The Subgrantee shall have adequate internal
Pt I Line 2	controls to insure protection of all assets. As a condition of this Contract
Pt I Line 2	for Services, Subgrantee acknowledges and agrees that the following
Pt I Line 2	specific accounting practices shall be observed: (1) The Subgrantee's books and
Pt I Line 2	and bank statements are reconciled monthly. Expenditures of Subgrantee funds
Pt I Line 2	are subject to a formal review and approval process. (2) The Subgrantee's Board
Pt I Line 2	of Directors approves a formal annual budget. (3) The Subgrantee's accounting
Pt I Line 2	policies provide for documentation of expenditures. Such documentation includes
Pt I Line 2	invoices and receipts from vendors verifying that goods and services were
Pt I Line 2	delivered and paid for. The Subgrantee agrees to retain all records supporting the
Pt I Line 2	disbursement of grant funds for a period of five (5) years, and bank account
Pt I Line 2	records for a period of five (5) years.

SCHEDULE M (Form 990)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Noncash Contributions

► Complete if the organizations answered 'Yes' on Form 990, Part IV, lines 29 or 30.
► Attach to Form 990.

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Name of the organization: Southern Appalachian Highlands Conservancy, Inc.

Employer identification number: 62-1098890

Part I Types of Property

		(a) Check if applicable	(b) Number of contributions or items contributed	(c) Noncash contribution amounts reported on Form 990, Part VIII, line 1g	(d) Method of determining noncash contribution amounts
1	Art—Works of art				
2	Art—Historical treasures				
3	Art—Fractional interests				
4	Books and publications				
5	Clothing and household goods				
6	Cars and other vehicles				
7	Boats and planes				
8	Intellectual property				
9	Securities—Publicly traded				
10	Securities—Closely held stock				
11	Securities—Partnership, LLC, or trust interests				
12	Securities—Miscellaneous				
13	Qualified conservation contribution—Historic structures				
14	Qualified conservation contribution—Other		3	1,766,525.	Please see note
15	Real estate—Residential				
16	Real estate—Commercial				
17	Real estate—Other				
18	Collectibles				
19	Food inventory				
20	Drugs and medical supplies				
21	Taxidermy				
22	Historical artifacts				
23	Scientific specimens				
24	Archeological artifacts				
25	Other ► (Supplies for Event)		4	3,916.	Fair Market Value
26	Other ► ( )				
27	Other ► ( )				
28	Other ► ( )				

29 Number of Forms 8283 received by the organization during the tax year for contributions for which the organization completed Form 8283, Part IV, Donee Acknowledgement — 29

			Yes	No
30a	During the year, did the organization receive by contribution any property reported in Part I, lines 1-28 that it must hold for at least three years from the date of the initial contribution, and which is not required to be used for exempt purposes for the entire holding period?	30a		X
b	If 'Yes,' describe the arrangement in Part II.			
31	Does the organization have a gift acceptance policy that requires the review of any non-standard contributions?	31	X	
32a	Does the organization hire or use third parties or related organizations to solicit, process, or sell noncash contributions?	32a		X
b	If 'Yes,' describe in Part II			
33	If the organization did not report an amount in column (c) for a type of property for which column (a) is checked, describe in Part II			

Part II Supplemental Information. Complete this part to provide the information required by Part I, lines 30b, 32b, and 33. Also complete this part for any additional information.

SCHEDULE O
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Supplemental Information to Form 990 or 990-EZ

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

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Pt VI-A, Line 7a At the annual membership meeting, a group of prescreened trustees are
Pt VI-A, Line 7a voted on by members either in person or by proxy. Members
Pt VI-A, Line 7a may abstain from voting or vote for or against. This vote
Pt VI-A, Line 7a is the extent of the membership rights. Members do not
Pt VI-A, Line 7a have control over day-to-day governance decisions. However,
Pt VI-A, Line 7a if there would be significant changes to the organization, such as a
Pt VI-A, Line 7a merger, dissolution, or amendment to the Articles of
Pt VI-A, Line 7a Incorporation, members may vote on such issues.
Pt VI-B, Line 11a The 990 is prepared by independent accountants, reviewed by management,
Pt VI-B, Line 11a presented to the Finance Committee for review, and once it is approved, presented
Pt VI-B, Line 11a to the entire Board for final approval or proposed revision.
Pt VI-B, Line 12c All Trustee members and staff must sign an annual conflict of interest
Pt VI-B, Line 12c statement acknowledging that they understand the policy and
Pt VI-B, Line 12c procedures. As part of this policy there is a disclosure procedure if
Pt VI-B, Line 12c there is knowledge of a possible conflict of interest.
Pt VI-B, Line 15 In the annual budgeting process, the Board approves a budget line for aggregate
Pt VI-B, Line 15 salary expense. Thereafter, individual salaries and salary increases for
Pt VI-B, Line 15 employees are determined by the Executive Director. The Board of Directors
Pt VI-B, Line 15 sets the Executive Director salary after a performance review and
Pt VI-B, Line 15 a check of comparable salary information for nonprofit organizations
Pt VI-B, Line 15 with similar budgets.
Pt VI-C, Line 18 Forms 1023 & 990 are available upon request.
Pt VI-C, Line 19 Governing documents, conflict of interest policy & financial statements
Pt VI-C, Line 19 are available upon request.
Pt XII, Line 2c Executive Committee
Pt XI Net Gains on Endowments Held with the Community Foundation of Western NC of $403,310.

Schedule O (Form 990), Supplemental Information to Form 990
Form 990, Page 2, Part III, Line 1 (continued)

Briefly describe the organization's mission:

for the benefit of present and future generation. SAHC works to conserve the unique plant and animal habitat,

clean water, local farmland and scenic beauty of the mountains of North Carolina and east Tennessee (Continued See Note)

Schedule O (Form 990), Supplemental Information to Form 990
Form 990, Page 6, Line 17 (continued)

North Carolina
South Carolina

Additional Information For Tax Return

Southern Appalachian Highlands Conservancy, Inc. 62-1098890

Form 990 p 1: Pt I, Ln 1, Mission, Cont-3

Mission continued: for the benefit of present and future generations. We achieve this by forging and maintaining conservation relationships with landowners and public agencies, owning and managing land, and working with communities to accomplish their conservation objectives.

Form 990 p 6: Line 17-1

The organization maintains a Charitable Solicitation License with the NC and SC Secretaries of State. As part of the annual license renewal process, the organization is required to provide a copy of the Form 990 filed with the IRS.

Schedule M: Line 14 column (d)

3 Bargain Purchase

Bargain purchase land value determined by estimated fair market value based on appraisal.

Per accounting policies, contributed conservation easements are not recorded in income.

Southern Appalachian Highlands Conservancy, Inc.
EIN # 62-1098890

Form 990 p 11: Part X Balance Sheet; Lines 23 & 24

Notes Payable

Notes payable consisted of the following at June 30, 2011:

A non-interest bearing, unsecured personal loan from a member of the organization, payable in one sum on May 10, 2012. Under the terms of the loan, upon the lender's death, the loan is forgiven and becomes a charitable gift of the lender's estate.	$ 65,000
Note payable Dated August 1, 2007 to the Conservation Fund used to purchase the Wesser Bald property. The loan is due December 31, 2011 with interest at 1.9% per annum.	219,222
Note payable dated October 21, 2008 to the Conservation Fund used to purchase the Beck property. The loan is is due October 21, 2012 with interest at 3.8% per annum.	122,555
Note payable dated June 3, 2011 to the Conservation Fund used to purchase the Hawk Mountain property. The loan is is due June 3, 2014 with interest at 3.9% per annum.	363,909
Note payable dated October 20, 2008 to the Conservation Trust of NC (CTNC) used to purchase the Beck/Elk Hollow property. Funds were made available through the Will Henry Stevens Revolving Loan Fund held by the CTNC. The term is four years with interest at 3.0% per annum.	162,127
Note payable dated February 26, 2010 to the Conservation Trust of NC (CTNC) used to purchase the Burleson property. Funds were made available through the Will Henry Stevens Revolving Loan Fund held by the CTNC. The term is three years with interest at 3.0% per annum.	171,473
Note payable dated February 26, 2010 to the Conservation Trust of NC (CTNC) used to purchase the Burleson property. Funds were made available through the Will Henry Stevens Revolving Loan Fund held by the CTNC. The term is three years with interest at 3.0% per annum.	41,080
Total Notes Payable	$ 1,145,366

The following is a summary of maturities for the years ending June 30:

2012	284,222
2013	497,235
2014	363,909
2015	-
Total	$ 1,145,366

Southern Appalachian Highlands Conservancy, Inc.
EIN # 62-1098890

Form 990 Schedule D: Part II Conservation Easements, Line 9

Land and Land Stewardship Responsibilities
SAHC has land and land stewardship responsibilities that fall into three main categories:

- *Conservation Lands* – SAHC maintains fee simple ownership of real property with conservation value. These properties are either managed in an effort to protect the conservation value, or transferred to other organizations or governmental entities that will manage the lands in a similar fashion. SAHC records conservation lands acquired on a fee simple basis at cost, if purchased, or at fair value if received as a gift. Fair value is based on independent appraisal.
- *Conservation Easements* – SAHC has perpetual conservation stewardship responsibilities for these properties. A conservation easement is a legal agreement between a landowner and a land trust that permanently limits uses of a tract of land in order to protect its conservation value. SAHC has responsibility for over 90 conservation easements. Easements received by donation are not recognized in assets or in income, and easements purchased are expensed.
- *Property Held Subject to Life Estate* – Conservation property received by donation with the donor retaining the right to live on the property for the remainder of his or her lifetime. The property is recorded at actuarial, present value of the appraisal and amortized annually to planned giving contributions.