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**Short Form**  
**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)

**Open to Public Inspection**

▶ Sponsoring organizations of donor advised funds, organizations that operate one or more hospital facilities, and certain controlling organizations as defined in section 512(b)(13) must file Form 990 (see instructions) All other organizations with gross receipts less than \$200,000 and total assets less than \$500,000 at the end of the year may use this form.

▶ The organization may have to use a copy of this return to satisfy state reporting requirements.

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

**A** For the 2011 calendar year, or tax year beginning 07/01, 2011, and ending 06/30, 2012

- B** Check if applicable
- Address change
  - Name change
  - Initial return
  - Final return
  - Amended return
  - Application pending

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Hardee County Farm Bureau  
 1017 US HWY 17 N  
 Wauchula, FL 33873-8751

**D** Employer identification no.  
59-0752041

**E** Telephone number  
(863) 773-3117

**F** Group Exemption Number ▶ 1805

**G** Accounting method  Cash  Accrual Other (specify) ▶ \_\_\_\_\_

**H** Check  if the organization is not required to attach Schedule B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF).

**I** Website: ▶ N/A

**J** Tax-exempt status (check only one) -  501(c)(3)  501(c)(5) (insert no.)  4947(a)(1) or  527

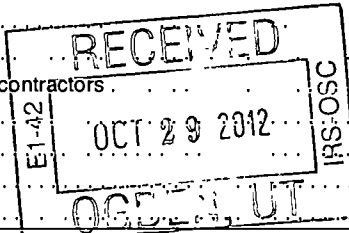
**K** Check  if the organization is not a section 509(a)(3) supporting organization or a section 527 organization and its gross receipts are normally not more than \$50,000. A Form 990-EZ or Form 990 return is not required though Form 990-N (e-postcard) may be required (see instructions) But if the organization chooses to file a return, be sure to file a complete return

**L** Add lines 5b, 6c, and 7b to line 9 to determine gross receipts If gross receipts are \$200,000 or more, or if total assets (Part II, line 25, column (B) below) are \$500,000 or more, file Form 990 instead of Form 990-EZ. ▶ \$ 157,460.

**Part I Revenue, Expenses, and Changes in Net Assets or Fund Balances** (See the instructions for Part I)

Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part I

<b>REVENUE</b>	1	Contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts received	1	0.
	2	Program service revenue including government fees and contracts	2	3,539.
	3	Membership dues and assessments	3	49,899.
	4	Investment income	4	681.
	5a	Gross amount from sale of assets other than inventory	5a	
	5b	Less: cost or other basis and sales expenses	5b	
	5c	Gain or (loss) from sale of assets other than inventory (Subtract line 5b from line 5a)	5c	
	6	Gaming and fundraising events		
	6a	Gross income from gaming (attach Schedule G if greater than \$15,000)	6a	
6b	Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ _____ of contributions from fundraising events reported on line 1) (attach Schedule G if the sum of such gross income and contributions exceed \$15,000)	6b		
6c	Less: direct expenses from gaming and fundraising events	6c		
6d	Net income or (loss) from gaming and fundraising events (add lines 6a and 6b and subtract line 6c)	6d		
7a	Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances	7a	8,413.	
7b	Less: cost of goods sold	7b	8,389.	
7c	Gross profit or (loss) from sales of inventory (line 7a less line 7b)	7c	24.	
8	Other revenue (describe in Schedule O)	8	94,928.	
9	<b>Total revenue</b> Add lines 1, 2, 3, 4, 5c, 6d, 7c, and 8	9	149,071.	
<b>EXPENSES</b>	10	Grants and similar amounts paid (list in Schedule O)	10	22,735.
	11	Benefits paid to or for members	11	0.
	12	Salaries, other compensation, and employee benefits	12	57,084.
	13	Professional fees and other payments to independent contractors	13	2,261.
	14	Occupancy, rent, utilities, and maintenance	14	21,418.
	15	Printing, publications, postage, and shipping	15	1,636.
	16	Other expenses (describe in Schedule O)	16	19,708.
17	<b>Total expenses</b> Add lines 10 through 16	17	124,842.	
<b>NET ASSETS OR FUND BALANCES</b>	18	Excess or (deficit) for the year (Subtract line 17 from line 9)	18	24,229.
	19	Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (from line 27, column (A)) (must agree with end-of-year figure reported on prior year's return)	19	80,706.
	20	Other changes in net assets or fund balances (explain in Schedule O)	20	-43.
	21	<b>Net assets or fund balances at end of year</b> Combine lines 18 through 20	21	104,892.



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**Part II Balance Sheets.** (see the instructions for Part II)

Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part II

	(A) Beginning of the year	(B) End of year
22 Cash, savings, and investments	58,153.	83,465.
23 Land and Buildings	23,424.	22,270.
24 Other assets (describe in Schedule O)	0.	0.
25 Total assets	81,577.	105,735.
26 Total liabilities (describe in Schedule O)	871.	843.
27 Net assets or fund balances (line 27 of column (B) must agree with line 21)	80,706.	104,892.

**Part III Statement of Program Service Accomplishments** (see the instructions for Part III)

Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part III

**Expenses**  
(Required for section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations and section 4947(a)(1) trusts, optional for others)

What is the organization's primary exempt purpose? Education Information Economic  
Describe what was achieved in carrying out the organization's exempt purposes. In a clear and concise manner, describe the services provided, the number of persons benefited, or other relevant information for each program title

28 Hardee Co Farm Bureau helps support a class at the local high school that conducts a meats lab to help teach students the proper ways of meat cutting. (Grants \$ ) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here <input type="checkbox"/>	28a
29 HCFB participates in AgFest, an event to help educate 4th graders in our local schools about agriculture, dairy farming, orange harvesting & vegetable farming. (Grants \$ ) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here <input type="checkbox"/>	29a
30 At the annual speech contest, local high school students speak about chosen agricultural topics, so they can gain knowledge, appreciation & understanding of agric. (Grants \$ ) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here <input type="checkbox"/>	30a
31 Other program services (attach schedule) (Grants \$ ) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here <input type="checkbox"/>	31a
32 Total program service expenses (add lines 28a through 31a)	32

**Part IV List of Officers, Directors, Trustees, and Key Employees** (List each one even if not compensated. (see the instructions for Part IV.)

Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part IV

(a) Name and address	(b) Title and average hours per week devoted to position	(c) Reportable Compensation (If not paid, enter -0-)	(d) Contributions to employee benefit plans & deferred compensation	(e) Estimated amount of other compensation
David B Royal Attached	President 5	0.	0.	0.
Greg L Shackelford Attached	Vice Preside 1.5	0.	0.	0.
Bo Rich Attached	Treasurer 1	0.	0.	0.
Joseph B Cherry Attached	Director 1	0.	0.	0.
Steve A Johnson Attached	Director 1	0.	0.	0.
Corey M Lambert Attached	Director 1	0.	0.	0.
Scott B Henderson Attached	Director 1	0.	0.	0.
Daniel H Smith Attached	Director 1	0.	0.	0.

Part V Other Information (Note the Schedule A and personal benefit contract statement requirements in the instructions for Part V) Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part V

33 Did the organization engage in any activity not previously reported to the IRS? If "Yes," provide a detailed description of each activity in Schedule O
34 Were any changes made to the organizing or governing documents? If "Yes," attach a conformed copy of the amended documents if they reflect a change to the organization's name
35 a Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year from business activities
35 b If "Yes," to line 35a, has the organization filed a Form 990T for the year? If "No," provide an explanation in Schedule O
35 c Was the organization a section 501(c)(4), 501(c)(5), or 501(c)(6) organization subject to section 6033(e) notice, reporting, and proxy tax requirements during the year?
36 Did the organization undergo a liquidation, dissolution, termination, or significant disposition of net assets during the year?
37 a Enter amount of political expenditures direct or indirect, as described in the instructions
37 b Did the organization file Form 1120-POL for this year?
38 a Did the organization borrow from, or make any loans to, any officer, director, trustee, or key employee or were any such loans made in a prior year and still unpaid at the start of the period covered by this return?
38 b If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part II and enter the total amount involved
39 Section 501(c)(7) organizations Enter.
39 a Initiation fees and capital contributions included on line 9
39 b Gross receipts, included on line 9, for public use of club facilities
40 a Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Enter amount of tax imposed on the organization during the year under:
40 b Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations Did the organization engage in any section 4958 excess benefit transaction during the year or did it become aware of 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 Form 990 or 900-EZ?
40 c Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations Enter amount of tax imposed on organization managers or disqualified persons during the year under sections 4912, 4955, and 4958
40 d Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations Enter amount of tax on line 40c reimbursed by the organization
40 e All organizations At any time during the tax year, was the organization a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction?
41 List the states with which a copy of this return is filed. Florida
42 a The organization's books are in care of Rhonda Willis Tel. no 863-773-3117
Located at 1017 US Hwy 17 N, Wauchula, FL ZIP + 4 33873-8751
42 b 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)?
42 c At any time during the calendar year, did the organization maintain an office outside of the U.S.?
43 Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts filing Form 990-EZ in lieu of Form 1041-- Check here and enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the tax year
44 a Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds during the year? If "Yes," Form 990 must be completed instead of Form 990-EZ
44 b Did the organization operate one or more hospital facilities during the year? If "Yes," Form 990 must be completed instead of Form 990-EZ
44 c Did the organization receive any payments for indoor tanning services during the year?
44 d If "Yes" to line 44c, has the organization filed a Form 720 to report these payments? If "No," provide an explanation in Schedule O
45 a Did the organization have a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)?
45 b 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," Form 990 and Schedule R may need to be completed instead of Form 990-EZ (see instr.)

46 Did the organization engage, directly or indirectly, in political campaign activities on behalf of or in opposition to candidates for public office? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part I

Part VI Section 501(c)(3) organizations and section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts only All section 501(c)(3) organizations and section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts must answer questions 47-49b and 52, and complete the tables for lines 50 and 51.

Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part VI

47 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

48 Is the organization operating a school as described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? If "Yes," complete Schedule E

49 a Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization?

b If "Yes," was the related organization(s) a section 527 organization?

50 Complete this table for the five highest compensated employees (other than officers, directors, trustees and lay employees) who each received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization. If there is none, enter "None"

Table with 5 columns: (a) Name and address of each employee paid more than \$100,000; (b) Title and average hours per week devoted to position; (c) Reportable compensation from the organization; (d) Health benefits contributions to employee benefit plans, and deferred compensation; (e) Estimated amount of other compensation.

f Total number of other employees paid over \$100,000

51 Complete this table for the five highest compensated independent contractors who each received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization. If there is none, enter "None"

Table with 3 columns: (a) Name and address of each independent contractor paid more than \$100,000; (b) Type of service; (c) compensation.

d Total number of other independent contractors each receiving over \$100,000

52 Did the organization complete Schedule A? Note All section 501(c)(3) organizations and 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts must attach a completed Schedule A

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. Signature of officer: David B Royal, President, Date: 10/9/2012

Print preparer's name, Preparer's signature, Date, Check if self-employed, PTIN

Paid Preparer Use Only Firm's name, Firm's address, Firm's EIN, Phone no

May the IRS discuss this return with the preparer shown above? See instructions

**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.

OMB No 1545-0047

**2011**

**Open to Public  
Inspection**

Name of the organization  
Hardee County Farm Bureau

Employer identification number  
59-0752041

Page 1 - Line 8, Other Revenue

Service Fees	93,754.
Adjuster Reimb	600.
General Refunds	574.
	<u>94,928.</u>

Page 1 - Line 10, Grants & Allocations paid by due date

Florida farm Bureau Federation Dues	<u>22,735.</u>	
Totals:	<u>22,735.</u>	<u>0.</u>

Page 1 - Line 16, Other expenses

<u>Description</u>	<u>Total</u>
Office Expense	5,520.
Meetings & Travel	5,161.
Flowers/Gifts/Misc	132.
Advertising	750.
Eqpt Rent/Lease	4,548.
Dues & Subscriptions	175.
Special Projects/Promo	3,239.
Womens Committee	111.
Awards	70.
Tax Penalty	2.
Totals:	<u>19,708.</u>

Page 1 - Line 20, Other changes in net assets

Unrealized gain on investment	<u>-43.</u>
	<u>-43.</u>

Page 2 - Line 26, Other liabilities (at year end)

Payroll Liabilities	<u>843.</u>
	<u>843.</u>

Name of the organization

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Employer identification number

59-0752041

Part IV - Names and Addresses

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