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Short Form Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

2013

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

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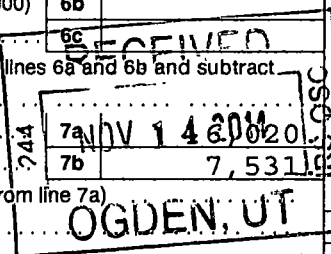
Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service

Form 990-EZ header section including fields for tax year (07/01 to 06/30), organization name (Hardee County Farm Bureau), EIN (59-0752041), and accounting method (Cash).

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 158,122.

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

Table with 21 rows detailing revenue and expenses. Line 9 Total revenue: 150,591. Line 17 Total expenses: 125,661. Line 18 Excess or (deficit) for the year: 24,930. Line 19 Net assets at beginning: 125,974. Line 20 Other changes: 4,032. Line 21 Net assets at end: 154,936.



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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	102,877.	127,239.
23 Land and Buildings	21,935.	24,589.
24 Other assets (describe in Schedule O)	2,191.	4,179.
25 Total assets	127,003.	156,007.
26 Total liabilities (describe in Schedule O)	1,029.	1,071.
27 Net assets or fund balances (line 27 of column (B) must agree with line 21)	125,974.	154,936.

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 the organization's program service accomplishments for each of its three largest program services, as measure expenses. In a clear and concise manner, describe the services provided, the number of persons benefited, or other relevant information for each program title.

28 <u>See Schedule O. Page 2.</u>		
(Grants \$) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here <input type="checkbox"/>	28a	
29		
(Grants \$) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here <input type="checkbox"/>	29a	
30		
(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 title	(b) Average hours per week devoted to position	(c) Reportable Compensation (If not paid, enter -0-)	(d) Health benefits, contributions to employee benefit plans, and deferred compensation	(e) Estimated amount of other compensation
David B Royal President	8	0.	0.	0.
Greg L Shackelford VP	2	0.	0.	0.
Bo Rich Treas/Sec.	1	0.	0.	0.
Joseph B Cherry Director	1	0.	0.	0.
Steve A Johnson Director	1	0.	0.	0.
Corey M Lambert Director	1	0.	0.	0.
Scott B Henderson Director	1	0.	0.	0.
Daniel H Smith 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

		Yes	No
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. Otherwise, explain the change on Schedule O (see instructions)	X	
35 a	Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year from business activities (such as those reported on line 2, 6a, and 7a, among others)?	X	
b	If "Yes," to line 35a, has the organization filed a Form 990-T for the year? If "No," provide an explanation in Schedule O	X	
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? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part III		X
36	Did the organization undergo a liquidation, dissolution, termination, or significant disposition of net assets during the year? If "Yes," complete applicable parts of Schedule N		X
37 a	Enter amount of political expenditures direct or indirect, as described in the instructions. ▶ 37a 0		
b	Did the organization file Form 1120-POL for this year?		X
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?		X
b	If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part II and enter the total amount involved	38b	
39	Section 501(c)(7) organizations. Enter:		
a	Initiation fees and capital contributions included on line 9	39a	
b	Gross receipts, included on line 9, for public use of club facilities	39b	
40 a	Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Enter amount of tax imposed on the organization during the year under: section 4911 ▶ ; section 4912 ▶ ; section 4955 ▶		
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 990-EZ? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I		40b
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		
d	Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations. Enter amount of tax on line 40c reimbursed by the organization		
e	All organizations At any time during the tax year, was the organization a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction? If "Yes," complete Form 8886-T		40e X
41	List the states with which a copy of this return is filed. ▶ Florida		
42 a	The organization's books are in care of ▶ Ann Hall Tel. no. ▶ 863-773-3117 Located at ▶ 1017 US Hwy 17 N, Wauchula, FL ZIP + 4 ▶ 33873-8751		
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)?		42b X
	If "Yes", enter the name of the foreign country: ▶ See the instructions for exceptions and filing requirements for Form TD F 90-22.1. Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts.		
c	At any time during the calendar year, did the organization maintain an office outside of the U.S.?		42c X
	If "Yes", enter the name of the foreign country: ▶		
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 ▶ 43		
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		44a X
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		44b X
c	Did the organization receive any payments for indoor tanning services during the year?		44c X
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		44d
45 a	Did the organization have a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)?		45a X
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.)		45b

		Yes	No
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		X

Part VI Section 501(c)(3) organizations only

All section 501(c)(3) organizations 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

		Yes	No
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 key employees) who each received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization. If there is none, enter "None."

(a) Name and title of each employee	(b) Average hours per week devoted to position	(c) Reportable compensation from the organization (Forms W-2/1099-MISC)	(d) Health benefits contributions to employee benefit plans, and deferred compensation	(e) Estimated amount of other compensation
None				

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."

(a) Name and address of each independent contractor	(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 Yes No

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

Sign Here

Signature of officer: David B. Royal Date: 10-29-2014
 Type or print name and title: David B. Royal President

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

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 Firm's name: _____ Firm's EIN: _____
 Firm's address: _____ Phone no.: _____

May the IRS discuss this return with the preparer shown above? See instructions Yes No

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.

▶ Information about Schedule O (Form 990 or 990-EZ) and its instructions is at www.irs.gov/forms990.

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2013

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Name of the organization

Hardee County Farm Bureau

Employer identification number

59-0752041

Part I, Line 8 - Other Revenue

Service Fees	101,371.
Adjuster Reimb	600.
PR Refunds	128.
	<u>102,099.</u>

Part I, Line 10 - Expenses - Grants and similar amounts paid

Florida Farm Bureau Federation Dues	21,156.	
Totals:	<u>21,156.</u>	<u>0.</u>

Part I, Line 16 - Other Expenses

<u>Description</u>	<u>Total</u>
Office Expense	6,958.
Meetings & Travel	5,084.
Eqpt Rent/Lease	5,068.
Special Projects/Promo	3,126.
Advertising	602.
Dues & Subscriptions	289.
Awards	126.
Womens Committee	107.
Miscellaneous	54.
Totals:	<u>21,414.</u>

Part I, Line 20 - Other changes in net assets or fund balances

Unrealized gain on investment	4,032.
	<u>4,032.</u>

Part II, Line 24 - Other Assets

Inventory	1,752.
Accounts Receivable	2,427.
	<u>4,179.</u>

Name of the organization

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Part II, Line 26 - Other Liabilities

Federal Income Taxes	0.
Payroll Liabilities	1,071.
	<u>1,071.</u>

Page 2, Part III - Line 31, Other Program ServicesDescription

28) We participated in Ag fest, this is an annual event held to educate 4th grade students on the importance of agriculture and where their food comes from. Children learned about dairy & veg. farming, orange harvesting, and nursery plants.

29) We support youth education in our county by holding a youth speech contest. This is used as an opportunity for local high school students to reasearch an ag- related topic. The purpose of the essay contest is for youth to appreciate and have a better understaning of the vital role that agriculture plays in every day living.

30) Youth involvement is important to Hardee County Farm Bureau. In conjunction with the local high school and our volunteers we were able to facilitate a working citus production and reseach station for FFA students. Many volunteers cleared land and help plant trees to make this a success. Industry leaders donated supplies and equipment to get the project up and running.

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**Depreciation and Amortization
(Including Information on Listed Property)**

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service (99)

▶ See separate instructions.

▶ Attach to your tax return.

Name(s) shown on return Hardee County Farm Bureau	Business or activity to which this form relates Member Services	Identifying number 59-0752041
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Part I Election To Expense Certain Property Under Section 179

Note: If you have any listed property, complete Part V before you complete Part I.

1 Maximum amount (see instructions)	1	500,000
2 Total cost of section 179 property placed in service (see instructions)	2	
3 Threshold cost of section 179 property before reduction in limitation (see instructions)	3	2,000,000
4 Reduction in limitation. Subtract line 3 from line 2. If zero or less, enter -0-	4	
5 Dollar limitation for tax year. Subtract line 4 from line 1. If zero or less, enter -0-. If married filing separately, see instructions	5	
6		
(a) Description of property	(b) Cost (business use only)	(c) Elected cost
7		
7 Listed property. Enter the amount from line 29	7	
8 Total elected cost of section 179 property. Add amounts in column (c), lines 6 and 7	8	
9 Tentative deduction. Enter the smaller of line 5 or line 8	9	
10 Carryover of disallowed deduction from line 13 of your 2012 Form 4562	10	
11 Business income limitation. Enter the smaller of business income (not less than zero) or line 5 (see instructions)	11	
12 Section 179 expense deduction. Add lines 9 and 10, but do not enter more than line 11	12	
13 Carryover of disallowed deduction to 2014. Add lines 9 and 10, less line 12 ▶	13	

Note: Do not use Part II or Part III below for listed property. Instead, use Part V.

Part II Special Depreciation Allowance and Other Depreciation (Do not include listed property.) (See instructions.)

14 Special depreciation allowance for qualified property (other than listed property) placed in service during the tax year (see instructions)	14	
15 Property subject to section 168(f)(1) election	15	
16 Other depreciation (including ACRS)	16	1095

Part III MACRS Depreciation (Do not include listed property.) (See instructions.)

Section A

17 MACRS deductions for assets placed in service in tax years beginning before 2013	17	9
18 If you are electing to group any assets placed in service during the tax year into one or more general asset accounts, check here <input type="checkbox"/>		

Section B—Assets Placed in Service During 2013 Tax Year Using the General Depreciation System

(a) Classification of property	(b) Month and year placed in service	(c) Basis for depreciation (business/investment use only—see instructions)	(d) Recovery period	(e) Convention	(f) Method	(g) Depreciation deduction
19a 3-year property						
b 5-year property						
c 7-year property						
d 10-year property						
e 15-year property						
f 20-year property						
g 25-year property			25 yrs.		S/L	
h Residential rental property			27.5 yrs.	MM	S/L	
			27.5 yrs.	MM	S/L	
i Nonresidential real property			39 yrs.	MM	S/L	
				MM	S/L	

Section C—Assets Placed in Service During 2013 Tax Year Using the Alternative Depreciation System

20a Class life					S/L	
b 12-year			12 yrs		S/L	
c 40-year			40 yrs.	MM	S/L	

Part IV Summary (See instructions.)

21 Listed property. Enter amount from line 28	21	
22 Total. Add amounts from line 12, lines 14 through 17, lines 19 and 20 in column (g), and line 21. Enter here and on the appropriate lines of your return. Partnerships and S corporations—see instructions	22	1104
23 For assets shown above and placed in service during the current year, enter the portion of the basis attributable to section 263A costs	23	

Part V Listed Property (Include automobiles, certain other vehicles, certain computers, and property used for entertainment, recreation, or amusement.)

Note: For any vehicle for which you are using the standard mileage rate or deducting lease expense, complete **only** 24a, 24b, columns (a) through (c) of Section A, all of Section B, and Section C if applicable.

Section A—Depreciation and Other Information (Caution: See the instructions for limits for passenger automobiles.)

24a Do you have evidence to support the business/investment use claimed? Yes No **24b** If "Yes," is the evidence written? Yes No

(a) Type of property (list vehicles first)	(b) Date placed in service	(c) Business/investment use percentage	(d) Cost or other basis	(e) Basis for depreciation (business/investment use only)	(f) Recovery period	(g) Method/Convention	(h) Depreciation deduction	(i) Elected section 179 cost
25 Special depreciation allowance for qualified listed property placed in service during the tax year and used more than 50% in a qualified business use (see instructions) .						25		
26 Property used more than 50% in a qualified business use:								
		%						
		%						
		%						
27 Property used 50% or less in a qualified business use:								
		%				S/L -		
		%				S/L -		
		%				S/L -		
28 Add amounts in column (h), lines 25 through 27. Enter here and on line 21, page 1 .						28		
29 Add amounts in column (i), line 26. Enter here and on line 7, page 1							29	

Section B—Information on Use of Vehicles

Complete this section for vehicles used by a sole proprietor, partner, or other "more than 5% owner," or related person. If you provided vehicles to your employees, first answer the questions in Section C to see if you meet an exception to completing this section for those vehicles.

	(a) Vehicle 1		(b) Vehicle 2		(c) Vehicle 3		(d) Vehicle 4		(e) Vehicle 5		(f) Vehicle 6	
30 Total business/investment miles driven during the year (do not include commuting miles) .												
31 Total commuting miles driven during the year												
32 Total other personal (noncommuting) miles driven												
33 Total miles driven during the year. Add lines 30 through 32												
34 Was the vehicle available for personal use during off-duty hours?	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
35 Was the vehicle used primarily by a more than 5% owner or related person?												
36 Is another vehicle available for personal use?												

Section C—Questions for Employers Who Provide Vehicles for Use by Their Employees

Answer these questions to determine if you meet an exception to completing Section B for vehicles used by employees who are not more than 5% owners or related persons (see instructions).

37 Do you maintain a written policy statement that prohibits all personal use of vehicles, including commuting, by your employees?	Yes	No
38 Do you maintain a written policy statement that prohibits personal use of vehicles, except commuting, by your employees? See the instructions for vehicles used by corporate officers, directors, or 1% or more owners		
39 Do you treat all use of vehicles by employees as personal use?		
40 Do you provide more than five vehicles to your employees, obtain information from your employees about the use of the vehicles, and retain the information received?		
41 Do you meet the requirements concerning qualified automobile demonstration use? (See instructions.)		

Note: If your answer to 37, 38, 39, 40, or 41 is "Yes," do not complete Section B for the covered vehicles.

Part VI Amortization

(a) Description of costs	(b) Date amortization begins	(c) Amortizable amount	(d) Code section	(e) Amortization period or percentage	(f) Amortization for this year
42 Amortization of costs that begins during your 2013 tax year (see instructions):					
43 Amortization of costs that began before your 2013 tax year					43
44 Total. Add amounts in column (f). See the instructions for where to report					44