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Form 990-PF

Return of Private Foundation

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

2014

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For calendar year 2014, or tax year beginning 01-01-2014, and ending 12-31-2014

Name of foundation: Readers Digest Foundation. A Employer identification number: 13-6120380. B Telephone number: (914) 244-1000. G Check all that apply: Initial return, Final return, Address change. H Check type of organization: Section 501(c)(3) exempt private foundation. I Fair market value of all assets at end of year: \$ 4,888,415. J Accounting method: Accrual.

Table with 5 columns: (a) Revenue and expenses per books, (b) Net investment income, (c) Adjusted net income, (d) Disbursements for charitable purposes. Rows include Revenue (1-12) and Operating and Administrative Expenses (13-26), leading to Total expenses and disbursements of 615,348 and Net investment income of 298,221.

Attached schedules and amounts in the description column should be for end-of-year amounts only (See instructions)

<b>Part II Balance Sheets</b>		Beginning of year			End of year		
		(a) Book Value	(b) Book Value	(c) Fair Market Value	(a) Book Value	(b) Book Value	(c) Fair Market Value
<b>Assets</b>	<b>1</b>	Cash—non-interest-bearing . . . . .					
	<b>2</b>	Savings and temporary cash investments . . . . .	91,670	77,232	77,232		
	<b>3</b>	Accounts receivable ▶ _____ Less allowance for doubtful accounts ▶ _____					
	<b>4</b>	Pledges receivable ▶ _____ Less allowance for doubtful accounts ▶ _____					
	<b>5</b>	Grants receivable . . . . .					
	<b>6</b>	Receivables due from officers, directors, trustees, and other disqualified persons (attach schedule) (see instructions) . . . . .					
	<b>7</b>	Other notes and loans receivable (attach schedule) ▶ _____ Less allowance for doubtful accounts ▶ _____					
	<b>8</b>	Inventories for sale or use . . . . .					
	<b>9</b>	Prepaid expenses and deferred charges . . . . .		2,465	2,465		
	<b>10a</b>	Investments—U S and state government obligations (attach schedule)					
	<b>b</b>	Investments—corporate stock (attach schedule) . . . . .	2,764,506	2,418,896	2,418,896		
	<b>c</b>	Investments—corporate bonds (attach schedule) . . . . .	2,295,338	2,389,822	2,389,822		
	<b>11</b>	Investments—land, buildings, and equipment basis ▶ _____ Less accumulated depreciation (attach schedule) ▶ _____					
	<b>12</b>	Investments—mortgage loans . . . . .					
	<b>13</b>	Investments—other (attach schedule) . . . . .					
	<b>14</b>	Land, buildings, and equipment basis ▶ _____ Less accumulated depreciation (attach schedule) ▶ _____					
<b>15</b>	Other assets (describe ▶ _____)						
<b>16</b>	<b>Total assets</b> (to be completed by all filers—see the instructions Also, see page 1, item I)	5,151,514	4,888,415	4,888,415			
<b>Liabilities</b>	<b>17</b>	Accounts payable and accrued expenses . . . . .	32,035	41,864			
	<b>18</b>	Grants payable . . . . .	10,114	250,000			
	<b>19</b>	Deferred revenue . . . . .					
	<b>20</b>	Loans from officers, directors, trustees, and other disqualified persons					
	<b>21</b>	Mortgages and other notes payable (attach schedule) . . . . .					
	<b>22</b>	Other liabilities (describe ▶ _____)	15,407	15,703			
<b>23</b>	<b>Total liabilities</b> (add lines 17 through 22) . . . . .	57,556	307,567				
<b>Net Assets or Fund Balances</b>	<b>Foundations that follow SFAS 117, check here</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>and complete lines 24 through 26 and lines 30 and 31.</b>						
	<b>24</b>	Unrestricted . . . . .	5,093,958	4,580,848			
	<b>25</b>	Temporarily restricted . . . . .					
	<b>26</b>	Permanently restricted . . . . .					
	<b>Foundations that do not follow SFAS 117, check here</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>and complete lines 27 through 31.</b>						
	<b>27</b>	Capital stock, trust principal, or current funds . . . . .					
	<b>28</b>	Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, bldg, and equipment fund					
<b>29</b>	Retained earnings, accumulated income, endowment, or other funds						
<b>30</b>	<b>Total net assets or fund balances</b> (see instructions) . . . . .	5,093,958	4,580,848				
<b>31</b>	<b>Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances</b> (see instructions) . . . . .	5,151,514	4,888,415				

**Part III Analysis of Changes in Net Assets or Fund Balances**

<b>1</b>	Total net assets or fund balances at beginning of year—Part II, column (a), line 30 (must agree with end-of-year figure reported on prior year's return) . . . . .	<b>1</b>	5,093,958
<b>2</b>	Enter amount from Part I, line 27a . . . . .	<b>2</b>	-308,243
<b>3</b>	Other increases not included in line 2 (itemize) ▶ _____	<b>3</b>	45,133
<b>4</b>	Add lines 1, 2, and 3 . . . . .	<b>4</b>	4,830,848
<b>5</b>	Decreases not included in line 2 (itemize) ▶ _____	<b>5</b>	250,000
<b>6</b>	Total net assets or fund balances at end of year (line 4 minus line 5)—Part II, column (b), line 30 . . . . .	<b>6</b>	4,580,848

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

(a) List and describe the kind(s) of property sold (e.g., real estate, 2-story brick warehouse, or common stock, 200 shs MLC Co)	(b) How acquired P—Purchase D—Donation	(c) Date acquired (mo, day, yr)	(d) Date sold (mo, day, yr)
<b>1a</b> See Additional Data Table			
<b>b</b>			
<b>c</b>			
<b>d</b>			
<b>e</b>			

(e) Gross sales price	(f) Depreciation allowed (or allowable)	(g) Cost or other basis plus expense of sale	(h) Gain or (loss) (e) plus (f) minus (g)
<b>a</b> See Additional Data Table			
<b>b</b>			
<b>c</b>			
<b>d</b>			
<b>e</b>			

Complete only for assets showing gain in column (h) and owned by the foundation on 12/31/69			(l) Gains (Col (h) gain minus col (k), but not less than -0-) or Losses (from col (h))
(i) FMV as of 12/31/69	(j) Adjusted basis as of 12/31/69	(k) Excess of col (i) over col (j), if any	
<b>a</b> See Additional Data Table			
<b>b</b>			
<b>c</b>			
<b>d</b>			
<b>e</b>			

<b>2</b> Capital gain net income or (net capital loss)	{ If gain, also enter in Part I, line 7 If (loss), enter -0- in Part I, line 7 }	<b>2</b>	181,632
<b>3</b> Net short-term capital gain or (loss) as defined in sections 1222(5) and (6) If gain, also enter in Part I, line 8, column (c) (see instructions) If (loss), enter -0- in Part I, line 8		<b>3</b>	

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

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

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

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

**1** Enter the appropriate amount in each column for each year, see instructions before making any entries

(a) Base period years Calendar year (or tax year beginning in)	(b) Adjusted qualifying distributions	(c) Net value of noncharitable-use assets	(d) Distribution ratio (col (b) divided by col (c))
2013	350,674	4,938,801	0.07100
2012	160,107	4,806,731	0.03331
2011	495,029	4,881,669	0.10141
2010	534,866	4,954,962	0.10795
2009	1,047,166	5,634,049	0.18586

<b>2</b> Total of line 1, column (d).	<b>2</b>	0.49953
<b>3</b> Average distribution ratio for the 5-year base period—divide the total on line 2 by 5, or by the number of years the foundation has been in existence if less than 5 years	<b>3</b>	0.09991
<b>4</b> Enter the net value of noncharitable-use assets for 2014 from Part X, line 5.	<b>4</b>	4,943,500
<b>5</b> Multiply line 4 by line 3.	<b>5</b>	493,885
<b>6</b> Enter 1% of net investment income (1% of Part I, line 27b).	<b>6</b>	2,982
<b>7</b> Add lines 5 and 6.	<b>7</b>	496,867
<b>8</b> Enter qualifying distributions from Part XII, line 4.	<b>8</b>	606,204

If line 8 is equal to or greater than line 7, check the box in Part VI, line 1b, and complete that part using a 1% tax rate See the Part VI instructions

**Part VI Excise Tax Based on Investment Income (Section 4940(a), 4940(b), 4940(e), or 4948—see page 18 of the instructions)**

<b>1a</b>	Exempt operating foundations described in section 4940(d)(2), check here <input type="checkbox"/> and enter "N/A" on line 1 Date of ruling or determination letter _____ (attach copy of letter if necessary—see instructions)		
<b>b</b>	Domestic foundations that meet the section 4940(e) requirements in Part V, check here <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> and enter 1% of Part I, line 27b . . . . .	<b>1</b>	2,982
<b>c</b>	All other domestic foundations enter 2% of line 27b Exempt foreign organizations enter 4% of Part I, line 12, col (b)		
<b>2</b>	Tax under section 511 (domestic section 4947(a)(1) trusts and taxable foundations only Others enter -0-)	<b>2</b>	
<b>3</b>	Add lines 1 and 2. . . . .	<b>3</b>	2,982
<b>4</b>	Subtitle A (income) tax (domestic section 4947(a)(1) trusts and taxable foundations only Others enter -0-)	<b>4</b>	
<b>5</b>	<b>Tax based on investment income.</b> Subtract line 4 from line 3 If zero or less, enter -0- . . . . .	<b>5</b>	2,982
<b>6</b>	Credits/Payments		
<b>a</b>	2014 estimated tax payments and 2013 overpayment credited to 2014	<b>6a</b>	5,447
<b>b</b>	Exempt foreign organizations—tax withheld at source . . . . .	<b>6b</b>	
<b>c</b>	Tax paid with application for extension of time to file (Form 8868) . . . . .	<b>6c</b>	
<b>d</b>	Backup withholding erroneously withheld . . . . .	<b>6d</b>	
<b>7</b>	Total credits and payments Add lines 6a through 6d. . . . .	<b>7</b>	5,447
<b>8</b>	Enter any <b>penalty</b> for underpayment of estimated tax Check here <input type="checkbox"/> if Form 2220 is attached	<b>8</b>	
<b>9</b>	<b>Tax due.</b> If the total of lines 5 and 8 is more than line 7, enter <b>amount owed</b> . . . . .	<b>9</b>	
<b>10</b>	<b>Overpayment.</b> If line 7 is more than the total of lines 5 and 8, enter the <b>amount overpaid</b> . . . . .	<b>10</b>	2,465
<b>11</b>	Enter the amount of line 10 to be <b>Credited to 2015 estimated tax</b> 2,465 <b>Refunded</b>	<b>11</b>	

**Part VII-A Statements Regarding Activities**

	Yes	No
<b>1a</b> During the tax year, did the foundation attempt to influence any national, state, or local legislation or did it participate or intervene in any political campaign? . . . . .		No
<b>b</b> Did it spend more than \$100 during the year (either directly or indirectly) for political purposes (see Instructions for definition)? . . . . . <i>If the answer is "Yes" to 1a or 1b, attach a detailed description of the activities and copies of any materials published or distributed by the foundation in connection with the activities.</i>		No
<b>c</b> Did the foundation file <b>Form 1120-POL</b> for this year? . . . . .		No
<b>d</b> Enter the amount (if any) of tax on political expenditures (section 4955) imposed during the year <b>(1)</b> On the foundation <input type="checkbox"/> \$ _____ <b>(2)</b> On foundation managers <input type="checkbox"/> \$ _____		
<b>e</b> Enter the reimbursement (if any) paid by the foundation during the year for political expenditure tax imposed on foundation managers <input type="checkbox"/> \$ _____		
<b>2</b> Has the foundation engaged in any activities that have not previously been reported to the IRS? . . . . . <i>If "Yes," attach a detailed description of the activities.</i>		No
<b>3</b> Has the foundation made any changes, not previously reported to the IRS, in its governing instrument, articles of incorporation, or bylaws, or other similar instruments? <i>If "Yes," attach a conformed copy of the changes</i> . . . . .		No
<b>4a</b> Did the foundation have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year? . . . . .		No
<b>b</b> If "Yes," has it filed a tax return on <b>Form 990-T</b> for this year? . . . . .		No
<b>5</b> Was there a liquidation, termination, dissolution, or substantial contraction during the year? . . . . . <i>If "Yes," attach the statement required by General Instruction T.</i>		No
<b>6</b> Are the requirements of section 508(e) (relating to sections 4941 through 4945) satisfied either • By language in the governing instrument, or • By state legislation that effectively amends the governing instrument so that no mandatory directions that conflict with the state law remain in the governing instrument? . . . . .	Yes	
<b>7</b> Did the foundation have at least \$5,000 in assets at any time during the year? <i>If "Yes," complete Part II, col. (c), and Part XV.</i> . . . . .	Yes	
<b>8a</b> Enter the states to which the foundation reports or with which it is registered (see instructions) <input type="checkbox"/> NY _____		
<b>b</b> If the answer is "Yes" to line 7, has the foundation furnished a copy of Form 990-PF to the Attorney General (or designate) of each state as required by General Instruction G? <i>If "No," attach explanation.</i>	Yes	
<b>9</b> Is the foundation claiming status as a private operating foundation within the meaning of section 4942(j)(3) or 4942(j)(5) for calendar year 2014 or the taxable year beginning in 2014 (see instructions for Part XIV)? <i>If "Yes," complete Part XIV</i> . . . . .		No
<b>10</b> Did any persons become substantial contributors during the tax year? <i>If "Yes," attach a schedule listing their names and addresses.</i> . . . . .		No

**Part VII-A Statements Regarding Activities (continued)**

<b>11</b>	At any time during the year, did the foundation, directly or indirectly, own a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? If "Yes," attach schedule (see instructions).	<b>11</b>		<b>No</b>
<b>12</b>	Did the foundation make a distribution to a donor advised fund over which the foundation or a disqualified person had advisory privileges? If "Yes," attach statement (see instructions)	<b>12</b>		<b>No</b>
<b>13</b>	Did the foundation comply with the public inspection requirements for its annual returns and exemption application? Website address <b>N/A</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>Yes</b>	
<b>14</b>	The books are in care of <b>Readers Digest Foundation</b> Telephone no <b>(914) 244-1000</b> Located at <b>44 South Broadway White Plains NY</b> ZIP+4 <b>10601</b>			
<b>15</b>	Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts filing Form 990-PF in lieu of <b>Form 1041</b> —Check here <input type="checkbox"/> and enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the year <b>15</b>			
<b>16</b>	At any time during calendar year 2014, did the foundation have an interest in or a signature or other authority over a bank, securities, or other financial account in a foreign country? See instructions for exceptions and filing requirements for FinCEN Form 114, Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts (FBAR) If "Yes", enter the name of the foreign country	<b>16</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>

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

File Form 4720 if any item is checked in the "Yes" column, unless an exception applies.			<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>
<b>1a</b>	During the year did the foundation (either directly or indirectly)			
	(1) Engage in the sale or exchange, or leasing of property with a disqualified person? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No			
	(2) Borrow money from, lend money to, or otherwise extend credit to (or accept it from) a disqualified person? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No			
	(3) Furnish goods, services, or facilities to (or accept them from) a disqualified person? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No			
	(4) Pay compensation to, or pay or reimburse the expenses of, a disqualified person? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No			
	(5) Transfer any income or assets to a disqualified person (or make any of either available for the benefit or use of a disqualified person)? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No			
	(6) Agree to pay money or property to a government official? ( <b>Exception.</b> Check "No" if the foundation agreed to make a grant to or to employ the official for a period after termination of government service, if terminating within 90 days) <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No			
<b>b</b>	If any answer is "Yes" to 1a(1)–(6), did <b>any</b> of the acts fail to qualify under the exceptions described in Regulations section 53.4941(d)-3 or in a current notice regarding disaster assistance (see instructions)? <input type="checkbox"/> Organizations relying on a current notice regarding disaster assistance check here. <input type="checkbox"/>	<b>1b</b>		<b>No</b>
<b>c</b>	Did the foundation engage in a prior year in any of the acts described in 1a, other than excepted acts, that were not corrected before the first day of the tax year beginning in 2014?	<b>1c</b>		<b>No</b>
<b>2</b>	Taxes on failure to distribute income (section 4942) (does not apply for years the foundation was a private operating foundation defined in section 4942(j)(3) or 4942(j)(5))			
<b>a</b>	At the end of tax year 2014, did the foundation have any undistributed income (lines 6d and 6e, Part XIII) for tax year(s) beginning before 2014? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No If "Yes," list the years <b>20</b> , <b>20</b> , <b>20</b> , <b>20</b>			
<b>b</b>	Are there any years listed in 2a for which the foundation is <b>not</b> applying the provisions of section 4942(a)(2) (relating to incorrect valuation of assets) to the year's undistributed income? (If applying section 4942(a)(2) to <b>all</b> years listed, answer "No" and attach statement—see instructions) <input type="checkbox"/>	<b>2b</b>		<b>No</b>
<b>c</b>	If the provisions of section 4942(a)(2) are being applied to <b>any</b> of the years listed in 2a, list the years here <b>20</b> , <b>20</b> , <b>20</b> , <b>20</b>			
<b>3a</b>	Did the foundation hold more than a 2% direct or indirect interest in any business enterprise at any time during the year? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No			
<b>b</b>	If "Yes," did it have excess business holdings in 2014 as a result of (1) any purchase by the foundation or disqualified persons after May 26, 1969, (2) the lapse of the 5-year period (or longer period approved by the Commissioner under section 4943(c)(7)) to dispose of holdings acquired by gift or bequest, or (3) the lapse of the 10-, 15-, or 20-year first phase holding period? ( <i>Use Schedule C, Form 4720, to determine if the foundation had excess business holdings in 2014.</i> ) <input type="checkbox"/>	<b>3b</b>		<b>No</b>
<b>4a</b>	Did the foundation invest during the year any amount in a manner that would jeopardize its charitable purposes?	<b>4a</b>		<b>No</b>
<b>b</b>	Did the foundation make any investment in a prior year (but after December 31, 1969) that could jeopardize its charitable purpose that had not been removed from jeopardy before the first day of the tax year beginning in 2014?	<b>4b</b>		<b>No</b>

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

<p><b>5a</b> During the year did the foundation pay or incur any amount to</p> <p><b>(1)</b> Carry on propaganda, or otherwise attempt to influence legislation (section 4945(e))? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p><b>(2)</b> Influence the outcome of any specific public election (see section 4955), or to carry on, directly or indirectly, any voter registration drive? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p><b>(3)</b> Provide a grant to an individual for travel, study, or other similar purposes? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p><b>(4)</b> Provide a grant to an organization other than a charitable, etc., organization described in section 4945(d)(4)(A)? (see instructions). <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p><b>(5)</b> Provide for any purpose other than religious, charitable, scientific, literary, or educational purposes, or for the prevention of cruelty to children or animals? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p><b>b</b> If any answer is "Yes" to 5a(1)–(5), did <b>any</b> of the transactions fail to qualify under the exceptions described in Regulations section 53.4945 or in a current notice regarding disaster assistance (see instructions)? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No Organizations relying on a current notice regarding disaster assistance check here. <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p><b>c</b> If the answer is "Yes" to question 5a(4), does the foundation claim exemption from the tax because it maintained expenditure responsibility for the grant? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No If "Yes," attach the statement required by Regulations section 53.4945–5(d).</p> <p><b>6a</b> Did the foundation, during the year, receive any funds, directly or indirectly, to pay premiums on a personal benefit contract? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p><b>b</b> Did the foundation, during the year, pay premiums, directly or indirectly, on a personal benefit contract? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No If "Yes" to 6b, file Form 8870.</p> <p><b>7a</b> At any time during the tax year, was the foundation a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p><b>b</b> If yes, did the foundation receive any proceeds or have any net income attributable to the transaction? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No</p>	<b>5b</b>	<b>No</b>
<b>6b</b>	<b>6b</b>	<b>No</b>
<b>7b</b>	<b>7b</b>	<b>No</b>

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

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

(a) Name and address	(b) Title, and average hours per week devoted to position	(c) Compensation (If not paid, enter -0-)	(d) Contributions to employee benefit plans and deferred compensation	(e) Expense account, other allowances
See Additional Data Table				

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

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

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

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

**3 Five highest-paid independent contractors for professional services (see instructions). If none, enter "NONE".**

(a) Name and address of each person paid more than \$50,000	(b) Type of service	(c) Compensation
Shannon Bond Advising 50 Bridge Street Brooklyn, NY 11201	Grant consulting	84,000
<b>Total</b> number of others receiving over \$50,000 for professional services. . . . .		▶

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

List the foundation's four largest direct charitable activities during the tax year. Include relevant statistical information such as the number of organizations and other beneficiaries served, conferences convened, research papers produced, etc	Expenses
<b>1</b> Volunteer Program - The Foundation supported volunteer activity by employees of The Reader's Digest Association, Inc , for underprivileged children including a back-to-school clothing drive, Christmas holiday parties and educational programs	16,640
<b>2</b>	
<b>3</b>	
<b>4</b>	

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

Describe the two largest program-related investments made by the foundation during the tax year on lines 1 and 2	Amount	
<b>1</b>		
<b>2</b>		
All other program-related investments See instructions		
<b>3</b>		
<b>Total.</b> Add lines 1 through 3 . . . . .		▶

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

<b>1</b>	Fair market value of assets not used (or held for use) directly in carrying out charitable, etc , purposes		
<b>a</b>	Average monthly fair market value of securities. . . . .	<b>1a</b>	4,934,281
<b>b</b>	Average of monthly cash balances. . . . .	<b>1b</b>	84,501
<b>c</b>	Fair market value of all other assets (see instructions). . . . .	<b>1c</b>	0
<b>d</b>	<b>Total</b> (add lines 1a, b, and c). . . . .	<b>1d</b>	5,018,782
<b>e</b>	Reduction claimed for blockage or other factors reported on lines 1a and 1c (attach detailed explanation). . . . .	<b>1e</b>	0
<b>2</b>	Acquisition indebtedness applicable to line 1 assets. . . . .	<b>2</b>	
<b>3</b>	Subtract line 2 from line 1d. . . . .	<b>3</b>	5,018,782
<b>4</b>	Cash deemed held for charitable activities Enter 1 1/2% of line 3 (for greater amount, see instructions). . . . .	<b>4</b>	75,282
<b>5</b>	<b>Net value of noncharitable-use assets.</b> Subtract line 4 from line 3 Enter here and on Part V, line 4	<b>5</b>	4,943,500
<b>6</b>	<b>Minimum investment return.</b> Enter 5% of line 5. . . . .	<b>6</b>	247,175

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

<b>1</b>	Minimum investment return from Part X, line 6. . . . .	<b>1</b>	247,175
<b>2a</b>	Tax on investment income for 2014 from Part VI, line 5. . . . .	<b>2a</b>	2,982
<b>b</b>	Income tax for 2014 (This does not include the tax from Part VI). . . . .	<b>2b</b>	
<b>c</b>	Add lines 2a and 2b. . . . .	<b>2c</b>	2,982
<b>3</b>	Distributable amount before adjustments Subtract line 2c from line 1. . . . .	<b>3</b>	244,193
<b>4</b>	Recoveries of amounts treated as qualifying distributions. . . . .	<b>4</b>	
<b>5</b>	Add lines 3 and 4. . . . .	<b>5</b>	244,193
<b>6</b>	Deduction from distributable amount (see instructions). . . . .	<b>6</b>	
<b>7</b>	<b>Distributable amount</b> as adjusted Subtract line 6 from line 5 Enter here and on Part XIII, line 1. . . . .	<b>7</b>	244,193

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

<b>1</b>	Amounts paid (including administrative expenses) to accomplish charitable, etc , purposes		
<b>a</b>	Expenses, contributions, gifts, etc —total from Part I, column (d), line 26. . . . .	<b>1a</b>	606,204
<b>b</b>	Program-related investments—total from Part IX-B. . . . .	<b>1b</b>	
<b>2</b>	Amounts paid to acquire assets used (or held for use) directly in carrying out charitable, etc , purposes. . . . .	<b>2</b>	
<b>3</b>	Amounts set aside for specific charitable projects that satisfy the		
<b>a</b>	Suitability test (prior IRS approval required). . . . .	<b>3a</b>	
<b>b</b>	Cash distribution test (attach the required schedule). . . . .	<b>3b</b>	
<b>4</b>	<b>Qualifying distributions.</b> Add lines 1a through 3b Enter here and on Part V, line 8, and Part XIII, line 4	<b>4</b>	606,204
<b>5</b>	Foundations that qualify under section 4940(e) for the reduced rate of tax on net investment income Enter 1% of Part I, line 27b (see instructions). . . . .	<b>5</b>	2,982
<b>6</b>	<b>Adjusted qualifying distributions.</b> Subtract line 5 from line 4. . . . .	<b>6</b>	603,222

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

**Part XIII Undistributed Income** (see instructions)

	(a) Corpus	(b) Years prior to 2013	(c) 2013	(d) 2014
<b>1</b> Distributable amount for 2014 from Part XI, line 7				244,193
<b>2</b> Undistributed income, if any, as of the end of 2014				
<b>a</b> Enter amount for 2013 only. . . . .				
<b>b</b> Total for prior years 20__ , 20__ , 20__				
<b>3</b> Excess distributions carryover, if any, to 2014				
<b>a</b> From 2009. . . . .	766,644			
<b>b</b> From 2010. . . . .	293,193			
<b>c</b> From 2011. . . . .	264,007			
<b>d</b> From 2012. . . . .	39,634			
<b>e</b> From 2013. . . . .	106,956			
<b>f</b> <b>Total</b> of lines 3a through e. . . . .	1,470,434			
<b>4</b> Qualifying distributions for 2014 from Part XII, line 4 ▶ \$ <u>606,204</u>				
<b>a</b> Applied to 2013, but not more than line 2a				
<b>b</b> Applied to undistributed income of prior years (Election required—see instructions). . . . .				
<b>c</b> Treated as distributions out of corpus (Election required—see instructions). . . . .	0			
<b>d</b> Applied to 2014 distributable amount. . . . .				244,193
<b>e</b> Remaining amount distributed out of corpus	362,011			
<b>5</b> Excess distributions carryover applied to 2014 <i>(If an amount appears in column (d), the same amount must be shown in column (a).)</i>				
<b>6 Enter the net total of each column as indicated below:</b>				
<b>a</b> Corpus Add lines 3f, 4c, and 4e Subtract line 5	1,832,445			
<b>b</b> Prior years' undistributed income Subtract line 4b from line 2b. . . . .				
<b>c</b> Enter the amount of prior years' undistributed income for which a notice of deficiency has been issued, or on which the section 4942(a) tax has been previously assessed. . . . .				
<b>d</b> Subtract line 6c from line 6b Taxable amount—see instructions . . . . .				
<b>e</b> Undistributed income for 2013 Subtract line 4a from line 2a Taxable amount—see instructions . . . . .				
<b>f</b> Undistributed income for 2014 Subtract lines 4d and 5 from line 1 This amount must be distributed in 2015 . . . . .				0
<b>7</b> Amounts treated as distributions out of corpus to satisfy requirements imposed by section 170(b)(1)(F) or 4942(g)(3) (Election may be required - see instructions) . . . . .				
<b>8</b> Excess distributions carryover from 2009 not applied on line 5 or line 7 (see instructions) . . .	766,644			
<b>9 Excess distributions carryover to 2015.</b> Subtract lines 7 and 8 from line 6a . . . . .	1,065,801			
<b>10</b> Analysis of line 9				
<b>a</b> Excess from 2010. . . . .	293,193			
<b>b</b> Excess from 2011. . . . .	264,007			
<b>c</b> Excess from 2012. . . . .	39,634			
<b>d</b> Excess from 2013. . . . .	106,956			
<b>e</b> Excess from 2014. . . . .	362,011			

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

**1a** If the foundation has received a ruling or determination letter that it is a private operating foundation, and the ruling is effective for 2014, enter the date of the ruling. . . . .

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

	Tax year	Prior 3 years			(e) Total
	(a) 2014	(b) 2013	(c) 2012	(d) 2011	
<b>2a</b> Enter the lesser of the adjusted net income from Part I or the minimum investment return from Part X for each year listed . . . . .					
<b>b</b> 85% of line 2a . . . . .					
<b>c</b> Qualifying distributions from Part XII, line 4 for each year listed . . . . .					
<b>d</b> Amounts included in line 2c not used directly for active conduct of exempt activities . . . . .					
<b>e</b> Qualifying distributions made directly for active conduct of exempt activities Subtract line 2d from line 2c . . . . .					
<b>3</b> Complete 3a, b, or c for the alternative test relied upon					
<b>a</b> "Assets" alternative test—enter					
<b>(1)</b> Value of all assets . . . . .					
<b>(2)</b> Value of assets qualifying under section 4942(j)(3)(B)(i)					
<b>b</b> "Endowment" alternative test— enter 2/3 of minimum investment return shown in Part X, line 6 for each year listed. . . . .					
<b>c</b> "Support" alternative test—enter					
<b>(1)</b> Total support other than gross investment income (interest, dividends, rents, payments on securities loans (section 512(a)(5)), or royalties) . . . . .					
<b>(2)</b> Support from general public and 5 or more exempt organizations as provided in section 4942(j)(3)(B)(iii). . . . .					
<b>(3)</b> Largest amount of support from an exempt organization					
<b>(4)</b> Gross investment income					

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

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

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

**2 Information Regarding Contribution, Grant, Gift, Loan, Scholarship, etc., Programs:**  
 Check here  if the foundation only makes contributions to preselected charitable organizations and does not accept unsolicited requests for funds. If the foundation makes gifts, grants, etc (see instructions) to individuals or organizations under other conditions, complete items 2a, b, c, and d

**a** The name, address, and telephone number or e-mail address of the person to whom applications should be addressed  
 Carolyn Malile  
 44 South Broadway  
 White Plains, NY 10601  
 (914) 244-1000  
 Carolyn\_Malile@ReadersDigest.com



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

**c** Any submission deadlines  
 None

**d** Any restrictions or limitations on awards, such as by geographical areas, charitable fields, kinds of institutions, or other factors  
 None

**Part XV** **Supplementary Information** (continued)

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

Recipient	If recipient is an individual, show any relationship to any foundation manager or substantial contributor	Foundation status of recipient	Purpose of grant or contribution	Amount
Name and address (home or business)				
<b>a</b> <i>Paid during the year</i> See Additional Data Table				
<b>Total</b> . . . . .			 <b>3a</b>	335,001
<b>b</b> <i>Approved for future payment</i> Parent-Child Home Program 1415 Kellum Place Garden City, NY 11530	None	PC	R E A D Together Program	250,000
<b>Total</b> . . . . .			 <b>3b</b>	250,000





**Form 990PF Part IV - Capital Gains and Losses for Tax on Investment Income - Columns a - d**

<b>(a)</b> List and describe the kind(s) of property sold (e.g., real estate, 2-story brick warehouse, or common stock, 200 shs MLC Co.)	<b>(b)</b> How acquired P—Purchase D—Donation	<b>(c)</b> Date acquired (mo., day, yr.)	<b>(d)</b> Date sold (mo., day, yr.)
895 shares Vanguard Developed Markets Index Fund	P	2011-12-05	2014-01-30
855 shares Vanguard Small Cap Index Fund	P	2011-12-05	2014-01-30
366 shares Vanguard 500 Index Fund	P	2011-12-05	2014-01-30
6,718 shares Vanguard Developed Markets Index Fund	P	2011-12-05	2014-05-08
308 shares Vanguard MSCI Emerging Markets Fund	P	2011-12-05	2014-05-08
1,067 shares Vanguard Small Cap Index Fund	P	2011-12-05	2014-05-08
1,854 shares Vanguard Total Bond Market Index Fund	P	2011-12-05	2014-05-08
1,572 shares Vanguard 500 Index Fund	P	2011-12-05	2014-05-08
1,848 shares Vanguard Total Bond Market Index Fund	P	2011-12-05	2014-10-02
707 shares Vanguard 500 Index Fund	P	2011-12-05	2014-10-02

**Form 990PF Part IV - Capital Gains and Losses for Tax on Investment Income - Columns e - h**

<b>(e)</b> Gross sales price	<b>(f)</b> Depreciation allowed (or allowable)	<b>(g)</b> Cost or other basis plus expense of sale	<b>(h)</b> Gain or (loss) (e) plus (f) minus (g)
10,000		7,816	2,184
40,000		25,767	14,233
50,000		34,555	15,445
70,000		52,477	17,523
10,000		9,462	538
50,000		32,146	17,854
20,000		20,389	-389
225,000		148,546	76,454
20,000		20,332	-332
105,000		66,878	38,122

**Form 990PF Part IV - Capital Gains and Losses for Tax on Investment Income - Columns i - l**

Complete only for assets showing gain in column (h) and owned by the foundation on 12/31/69			<b>(l)</b> Gains (Col (h) gain minus col (k), but not less than -0-) or Losses (from col (h))
<b>(i)</b> FMV as of 12/31/69	<b>(j)</b> Adjusted basis as of 12/31/69	<b>(k)</b> Excess of col (i) over col (j), if any	
			2,184
			14,233
			15,445
			17,523
			538
			17,854
			-389
			76,454
			-332
			38,122

**Form 990PF Part VIII Line 1 - List all officers, directors, trustees, foundation managers and their compensation**

<b>(a)</b> Name and address	<b>(b)</b> Title, and average hours per week devoted to position	<b>(c)</b> Compensation <b>(If not paid, enter -0-)</b>	<b>(d)</b> Contributions to employee benefit plans and deferred compensation	<b>(e)</b> Expense account, other allowances
Bonnie Kintzer Readers Digest Foundation White Plains, NY 10601	Chairman 1 00	0		
Susan Russ Readers Digest Foundation White Plains, NY 10601	President 9 00	61,829		
Phyllis E Gebhardt Readers Digest Foundation White Plains, NY 10601	Director 1 00	0		
Paul L Gillow Readers Digest Foundation White Plains, NY 10601	Director 1 00	0		
Howard Halligan Readers Digest Foundation White Plains, NY 10601	Treasurer 1 00	0		

**Form 990PF Part XV Line 3 - Grants and Contributions Paid During the Year or Approved for Future Payment**

Recipient	If recipient is an individual, show any relationship to any foundation manager or substantial contributor	Foundation status of recipient	Purpose of grant or contribution	Amount
Name and address (home or business)				
<b>a</b> <i>Paid during the year</i>				
Westhab Inc 85 Executive Boulevard Elmsford, NY 10523	None	Public	General support	10,000
Jacob Burns Film Center 39 Manville Road Pleasantville, NY 10570	None	Public	Minds in Motion Program	5,000
JK Group Trustee for Reader's Diges PO Box 7174 Princeton, NJ 08543	None	Public	Matching Gifts Program - Gifts to publicly supported charities matching the contributions of employees of The Reader's Digest Association, Inc See Schedule attached	51,681
JK Group Trustee for Reader's Diges PO Box 7174 Princeton, NJ 08543	None	Public	Volunteer Incentive Program - Grants to charitable organizations in which employees of The Reader's Digest Association, Inc , participate as volunteers See Schedule attached	13,320
Hudson River Museum 511 Warburton Avenue Yonkers, NY 10701	None	Public	Junior Docent Programt	5,000
Parent-Child Home Program 1415 Kellum Place Garden City, NY 11530	None	PC	R E A D Together Program	250,000
<b>Total . . . . .</b>				<b>335,001</b>

## TY 2014 Accounting Fees Schedule

**Name:** Readers Digest Foundation

**EIN:** 13-6120380

**Software ID:** 14000265

**Software Version:** 2014v5.0

Category	Amount	Net Investment Income	Adjusted Net Income	Disbursements for Charitable Purposes
Accounting	12,000	2,400	0	9,600
Auditing	11,000	2,200	0	8,800

**TY 2014 Investments Corporate  
Bonds Schedule**

**Name:** Readers Digest Foundation

**EIN:** 13-6120380

**Software ID:** 14000265

**Software Version:** 2014v5.0

Name of Bond	End of Year Book Value	End of Year Fair Market Value
Vanguard Total Bond Market Index Fund	2,389,822	2,389,822

# TY 2014 Investments Corporate Stock Schedule

**Name:** Readers Digest Foundation

**EIN:** 13-6120380

**Software ID:** 14000265

**Software Version:** 2014v5.0

Name of Stock	End of Year Book Value	End of Year Fair Market Value
Vanguard Developed Markets Index Fund	348,056	348,056
Vanguard Emerging Markets Index Fund	91,312	91,312
Vanguard Small Cap Index Fund	251,589	251,589
Vanguard 500 Index Fund	1,727,939	1,727,939

## TY 2014 Other Decreases Schedule

**Name:** Readers Digest Foundation

**EIN:** 13-6120380

**Software ID:** 14000265

**Software Version:** 2014v5.0

Description	Amount
Accrual of grant	250,000

## TY 2014 Other Expenses Schedule

**Name:** Readers Digest Foundation

**EIN:** 13-6120380

**Software ID:** 14000265

**Software Version:** 2014v5.0

Description	Revenue and Expenses per Books	Net Investment Income	Adjusted Net Income	Disbursements for Charitable Purposes
Fringe benefits & payroll taxes	32,971			32,971
Memberships	1,650			1,650
Miscellaneous	173			173
New York State annual fee	250			250
Seminars	1,569			1,569

## TY 2014 Other Liabilities Schedule

**Name:** Readers Digest Foundation

**EIN:** 13-6120380

**Software ID:** 14000265

**Software Version:** 2014v5.0

Description	Beginning of Year - Book Value	End of Year - Book Value
Deferred federal excise taxes	14,782	15,703
Federal excise tax	625	

## TY 2014 Other Professional Fees Schedule

**Name:** Readers Digest Foundation

**EIN:** 13-6120380

**Software ID:** 14000265

**Software Version:** 2014v5.0

Category	Amount	Net Investment Income	Adjusted Net Income	Disbursements for Charitable Purposes
Grant consulting	84,000	0	0	84,000
Matching gift administration	5,255	0	0	5,255

# TY 2014 Taxes Schedule

**Name:** Readers Digest Foundation

**EIN:** 13-6120380

**Software ID:** 14000265

**Software Version:** 2014v5.0

Category	Amount	Net Investment Income	Adjusted Net Income	Disbursements for Charitable Purposes
Federal excise tax	3,028			