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Form **990-PF**

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Return of Private Foundation

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

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2014

Open to Public Inspection

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

Name of foundation LAUGHING GULL FOUNDATION		A Employer identification number 36-4749289	
Number and street (or P O box number if mail is not delivered to street address) 1003 LAMOND AVENUE		Room/suite	
City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code DURHAM, NC 27701		C If exemption application is pending, check here ☐	
G Check all that apply ☐ Initial return ☐ Initial return of a former public charity ☐ Final return ☐ Amended return ☐ Address change ☐ Name change		D 1. Foreign organizations, check here ☐ 2. Foreign organizations meeting the 85% test, check here and attach computation ☐	
H Check type of organization ☒ Section 501(c)(3) exempt private foundation ☐ Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust ☐ Other taxable private foundation		E If private foundation status was terminated under section 507(b)(1)(A), check here ☐	
I Fair market value of all assets at end of year (from Part II, col. (c), line 16)▶\$ 11,721,870		F If the foundation is in a 60-month termination under section 507(b)(1)(B), check here ☐	
J Accounting method ☐ Cash ☒ Accrual ☐ Other (specify) _____ (Part I, column (d) must be on cash basis.)			

Part I Analysis of Revenue and Expenses (The total of amounts in columns (b), (c), and (d) may not necessarily equal the amounts in column (a) (see instructions))		(a) Revenue and expenses per books	(b) Net investment income	(c) Adjusted net income	(d) Disbursements for charitable purposes (cash basis only)
Revenue	1 Contributions, gifts, grants, etc , received (attach schedule)	10,203,767			
	2 Check ☐ if the foundation is not required to attach Sch B				
	3 Interest on savings and temporary cash investments	96,665	96,665		
	4 Dividends and interest from securities.	197,031	197,031		
	5a Gross rents				
	b Net rental income or (loss) _____				
	6a Net gain or (loss) from sale of assets not on line 10	6,418,106			
	b Gross sales price for all assets on line 6a 14,606,574				
	7 Capital gain net income (from Part IV, line 2) . . .		6,418,106		
	8 Net short-term capital gain				
	9 Income modifications				
	10a Gross sales less returns and allowances				
	b Less Cost of goods sold				
	c Gross profit or (loss) (attach schedule)				
	11 Other income (attach schedule)	-20,962	6,124		
	12 Total. Add lines 1 through 11	16,894,607	6,717,926		
Operating and Administrative Expenses	13 Compensation of officers, directors, trustees, etc	79,939			59,954
	14 Other employee salaries and wages	24,628			6,157
	15 Pension plans, employee benefits	12,185			
	16a Legal fees (attach schedule)				
	b Accounting fees (attach schedule)	2,875			
	c Other professional fees (attach schedule)	195,289	157,403		
	17 Interest				
	18 Taxes (attach schedule) (see instructions) . . .	3,808	3,352		
	19 Depreciation (attach schedule) and depletion . . .				
	20 Occupancy	10,550			
	21 Travel, conferences, and meetings	38,405	3,854		11,029
	22 Printing and publications				
	23 Other expenses (attach schedule)	17,030			5,123
	24 Total operating and administrative expenses. Add lines 13 through 23	384,709	164,609		82,263
	25 Contributions, gifts, grants paid	56,000			329,157
	26 Total expenses and disbursements. Add lines 24 and 25	440,709	164,609		411,420
	27 Subtract line 26 from line 12				
	a Excess of revenue over expenses and disbursements	16,453,898			
	b Net investment income (if negative, enter -0-)		6,553,317		
	c Adjusted net income (if negative, enter -0-)				

Part II

Balance Sheets

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

			Beginning of year	End of year	
			(a) Book Value	(b) Book Value	(c) Fair Market Value
Assets	1	Cash—non-interest-bearing	54		
	2	Savings and temporary cash investments	1,543,446	3,083,044	3,083,044
	3	Accounts receivable ▶ _____ Less allowance for doubtful accounts ▶ _____			
	4	Pledges receivable ▶ _____ Less allowance for doubtful accounts ▶ _____			
	5	Grants receivable			
	6	Receivables due from officers, directors, trustees, and other disqualified persons (attach schedule) (see instructions)			
	7	Other notes and loans receivable (attach schedule) ▶ _____ 250,000 Less allowance for doubtful accounts ▶ _____	50,000	250,000	250,000
	8	Inventories for sale or use			
	9	Prepaid expenses and deferred charges			
	10a	Investments—U S and state government obligations (attach schedule)			
	b	Investments—corporate stock (attach schedule)	3,433,893	4,689,966	5,063,655
	c	Investments—corporate bonds (attach schedule).	1,231,634	2,669,127	2,673,075
	11	Investments—land, buildings, and equipment basis ▶ _____ Less accumulated depreciation (attach schedule) ▶ _____			
	12	Investments—mortgage loans			
	13	Investments—other (attach schedule)	10,000	652,096	652,096
	14	Land, buildings, and equipment basis ▶ _____ Less accumulated depreciation (attach schedule) ▶ _____			
	15	Other assets (describe ▶ _____)			
	16	Total assets (to be completed by all filers—see the instructions Also, see page 1, item I)	6,269,027	11,344,233	11,721,870
Liabilities	17	Accounts payable and accrued expenses		13,601	
	18	Grants payable	460,000	186,843	
	19	Deferred revenue			
	20	Loans from officers, directors, trustees, and other disqualified persons			
	21	Mortgages and other notes payable (attach schedule)			
	22	Other liabilities (describe ▶ _____)	6,400		
	23	Total liabilities (add lines 17 through 22)	466,400	200,444	
Net Assets or Fund Balances		Foundations that follow SFAS 117, check here ▶ ☒ and complete lines 24 through 26 and lines 30 and 31.			
	24	Unrestricted	5,802,627	11,143,789	
	25	Temporarily restricted			
	26	Permanently restricted			
		Foundations that do not follow SFAS 117, check here ▶ ☐ and complete lines 27 through 31.			
	27	Capital stock, trust principal, or current funds			
	28	Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, bldg , and equipment fund			
	29	Retained earnings, accumulated income, endowment, or other funds			
	30	Total net assets or fund balances (see instructions)	5,802,627	11,143,789	
	31	Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances (see instructions) . . .	6,269,027	11,344,233	

Part III

Analysis of Changes in Net Assets or Fund Balances

1	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)	1	5,802,627
2	Enter amount from Part I, line 27a	2	16,453,898
3	Other increases not included in line 2 (itemize) ▶ _____	3	45,420
4	Add lines 1, 2, and 3	4	22,301,945
5	Decreases not included in line 2 (itemize) ▶ _____	5	11,158,156
6	Total net assets or fund balances at end of year (line 4 minus line 5)—Part II, column (b), line 30	6	11,143,789

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)
1 a	PUBLICLY TRADED SECURITIES	P		
b	PUBLICLY TRADED SECURITIES	P		
c				
d				
e				

(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)
a 4,188,558		3,809,038	379,520
b 10,417,989		4,379,430	6,038,559
c			
d			
e			

Complete only for assets showing gain in column (h) and owned by the foundation on 12/31/69			(I) Gains (Col (h) gain minus col (k), but not less than -0-) or Losses (from col (h))
(i) F M V as of 12/31/69	(j) Adjusted basis as of 12/31/69	(k) Excess of col (i) over col (j), if any	
a			379,520
b			6,038,559
c			
d			
e			

2	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 }	2	6,418,106
3	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	}	3	379,520

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	316,594	6,184,470	0 051192
2012		20,811	
2011			
2010			
2009			

2	Total of line 1, column (d).	2	0 051192
3	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	3	0 051192
4	Enter the net value of noncharitable-use assets for 2014 from Part X, line 5.	4	16,629,140
5	Multiply line 4 by line 3.	5	851,279
6	Enter 1% of net investment income (1% of Part I, line 27b).	6	65,533
7	Add lines 5 and 6.	7	916,812
8	Enter qualifying distributions from Part XII, line 4.	8	411,420

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

1a	Exempt operating foundations described in section 4940(d)(2), check here ☐ and enter "N/A" on line 1		
	Date of ruling or determination letter _____ (attach copy of letter if necessary—see instructions)		
b	Domestic foundations that meet the section 4940(e) requirements in Part V, check here ☐ and enter 1% of Part I, line 27b	1	131,066
c	All other domestic foundations enter 2% of line 27b. Exempt foreign organizations enter 4% of Part I, line 12, col. (b)		
2	Tax under section 511 (domestic section 4947(a)(1) trusts and taxable foundations only. Others enter -0-)	2	
3	Add lines 1 and 2.	3	131,066
4	Subtitle A (income) tax (domestic section 4947(a)(1) trusts and taxable foundations only. Others enter -0-)	4	
5	Tax based on investment income. Subtract line 4 from line 3. If zero or less, enter -0-	5	131,066
6	Credits/Payments		
a	2014 estimated tax payments and 2013 overpayment credited to 2014	6a	46,173
b	Exempt foreign organizations—tax withheld at source	6b	
c	Tax paid with application for extension of time to file (Form 8868)	6c	
d	Backup withholding erroneously withheld	6d	
7	Total credits and payments. Add lines 6a through 6d.	7	46,173
8	Enter any penalty for underpayment of estimated tax. Check here ☒ if Form 2220 is attached	8	687
9	Tax due. If the total of lines 5 and 8 is more than line 7, enter amount owed	9	85,580
10	Overpayment. If line 7 is more than the total of lines 5 and 8, enter the amount overpaid	10	
11	Enter the amount of line 10 to be Credited to 2015 estimated tax Refunded	11	

Part VII-AStatements Regarding Activities

1a	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?	1a		No
b	Did it spend more than \$100 during the year (either directly or indirectly) for political purposes (see Instructions for definition)?	1b		No
	<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>			
c	Did the foundation file Form 1120-POL for this year?	1c		No
d	Enter the amount (if any) of tax on political expenditures (section 4955) imposed during the year: (1) On the foundation \$ _____ (2) On foundation managers \$ _____			
e	Enter the reimbursement (if any) paid by the foundation during the year for political expenditure tax imposed on foundation managers \$ _____			
2	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>	2		No
3	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>	3		No
4a	Did the foundation have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year?	4a		No
b	If "Yes," has it filed a tax return on Form 990-T for this year?	4b		
5	Was there a liquidation, termination, dissolution, or substantial contraction during the year? <i>If "Yes," attach the statement required by General Instruction T.</i>	5		No
6	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?	6	Yes	
7	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>	7	Yes	
8a	Enter the states to which the foundation reports or with which it is registered (see instructions) NC _____			
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>	8b	Yes	
9	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>	9		No
10	Did any persons become substantial contributors during the tax year? <i>If "Yes," attach a schedule listing their names and addresses.</i>	10		No

Part VII-A

Statements Regarding Activities *(continued)*

11	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).	11		No
12	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)	12		No
13	Did the foundation comply with the public inspection requirements for its annual returns and exemption application?	13	Yes	
Website address N/A				
14	The books are in care of TRUXTON TRUST Telephone no (615) 515-1736 Located at 4525 HARDING ROAD SUITE 300 NASHVILLE TN ZIP +4 37205			
15	Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts filing Form 990-PF in lieu of Form 1041 —Check here and enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the year.	15		
16	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?	16	Yes	No
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				

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.			Yes	No
1a	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? Yes No (2) Borrow money from, lend money to, or otherwise extend credit to (or accept it from) a disqualified person?. Yes No (3) Furnish goods, services, or facilities to (or accept them from) a disqualified person? Yes No (4) Pay compensation to, or pay or reimburse the expenses of, a disqualified person? Yes 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)?. Yes No (6) Agree to pay money or property to a government official? (Exception. 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). Yes No			
b	If any answer is "Yes" to 1a(1)–(6), did any 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)? Organizations relying on a current notice regarding disaster assistance check here.	1b		
c	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?.	1c		
2	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))			
a	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?. If "Yes," list the years 20 , 20 , 20 , 20			
b	Are there any years listed in 2a for which the foundation is not 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 all years listed, answer "No" and attach statement—see instructions).	2b		
c	If the provisions of section 4942(a)(2) are being applied to any of the years listed in 2a, list the years here 20 , 20 , 20 , 20			
3a	Did the foundation hold more than a 2% direct or indirect interest in any business enterprise at any time during the year?. Yes No			
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? (Use Schedule C, Form 4720, to determine if the foundation had excess business holdings in 2014.).	3b		
4a	Did the foundation invest during the year any amount in a manner that would jeopardize its charitable purposes?	4a		No
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?	4b		No

Part VII-B

Statements Regarding Activities for Which Form 4720 May Be Required (continued)

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

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
MARJORIE OWEN COWARD	PRESIDENT	79,939	0	0
1003 LAMOND AVENUE DURHAM,NC 27701	40 00			
EMILY COWARD	SECRETARY	0	0	0
1003 LAMOND AVENUE DURHAM,NC 27701	5 00			
MARJORIE WILLIAMS COWARD	CHAIR	0	0	0
1003 LAMOND AVENUE DURHAM,NC 27701	5 00			
SARAH SCHWARTZ SAX	TREASURER	0	0	0
1003 LAMOND AVENUE DURHAM,NC 27701	5 00			
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
NONE		
Total 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
1	
2	
3	
4	

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
1 N/A	
2	
All other program-related investments. See instructions.	
3	
Total. Add lines 1 through 3.	

Part X

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

1	Fair market value of assets not used (or held for use) directly in carrying out charitable, etc , purposes		
a	Average monthly fair market value of securities.	1a	12,681,202
b	Average of monthly cash balances.	1b	3,901,134
c	Fair market value of all other assets (see instructions).	1c	300,040
d	Total (add lines 1a, b, and c).	1d	16,882,376
e	Reduction claimed for blockage or other factors reported on lines 1a and 1c (attach detailed explanation).	1e	
2	Acquisition indebtedness applicable to line 1 assets.	2	
3	Subtract line 2 from line 1d.	3	16,882,376
4	Cash deemed held for charitable activities Enter 1 1/2% of line 3 (for greater amount, see instructions).	4	253,236
5	Net value of noncharitable-use assets. Subtract line 4 from line 3 Enter here and on Part V, line 4	5	16,629,140
6	Minimum investment return. Enter 5% of line 5.	6	831,457

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.)

1	Minimum investment return from Part X, line 6.	1	831,457
2a	Tax on investment income for 2014 from Part VI, line 5.	2a	131,066
b	Income tax for 2014 (This does not include the tax from Part VI).	2b	
c	Add lines 2a and 2b.	2c	131,066
3	Distributable amount before adjustments Subtract line 2c from line 1.	3	700,391
4	Recoveries of amounts treated as qualifying distributions.	4	
5	Add lines 3 and 4.	5	700,391
6	Deduction from distributable amount (see instructions).	6	
7	Distributable amount as adjusted Subtract line 6 from line 5 Enter here and on Part XIII, line 1.	7	700,391

Part XII

Qualifying Distributions (see instructions)

1	Amounts paid (including administrative expenses) to accomplish charitable, etc , purposes		
a	Expenses, contributions, gifts, etc —total from Part I, column (d), line 26.	1a	411,420
b	Program-related investments—total from Part IX-B.	1b	
2	Amounts paid to acquire assets used (or held for use) directly in carrying out charitable, etc , purposes.	2	
3	Amounts set aside for specific charitable projects that satisfy the		
a	Suitability test (prior IRS approval required).	3a	
b	Cash distribution test (attach the required schedule).	3b	
4	Qualifying distributions. Add lines 1a through 3b Enter here and on Part V, line 8, and Part XIII, line 4	4	411,420
5	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).	5	
6	Adjusted qualifying distributions. Subtract line 5 from line 4.	6	411,420

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
1 Distributable amount for 2014 from Part XI, line 7				700,391
2 Undistributed income, if any, as of the end of 2014				
a Enter amount for 2013 only.				
b Total for prior years 20____, 20____, 20____				
3 Excess distributions carryover, if any, to 2014				
a From 2009.				
b From 2010.				
c From 2011.				
d From 2012.				
e From 2013. 8,180				
f Total of lines 3a through e.	8,180			
4 Qualifying distributions for 2014 from Part XII, line 4 ▶ \$ 411,420				
a Applied to 2013, but not more than line 2a				
b Applied to undistributed income of prior years (Election required—see instructions).				
c Treated as distributions out of corpus (Election required—see instructions).				
d Applied to 2014 distributable amount.				411,420
e Remaining amount distributed out of corpus				
5 Excess distributions carryover applied to 2014 (If an amount appears in column (d), the same amount must be shown in column (a).)	8,180			8,180
6 Enter the net total of each column as indicated below:				
a Corpus Add lines 3f, 4c, and 4e Subtract line 5				
b Prior years' undistributed income Subtract line 4b from line 2b.				
c 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.				
d Subtract line 6c from line 6b Taxable amount—see instructions				
e Undistributed income for 2013 Subtract line 4a from line 2a Taxable amount—see instructions				
f Undistributed income for 2014 Subtract lines 4d and 5 from line 1 This amount must be distributed in 2015				280,791
7 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)				
8 Excess distributions carryover from 2009 not applied on line 5 or line 7 (see instructions) . . .				
9 Excess distributions carryover to 2015. Subtract lines 7 and 8 from line 6a				
10 Analysis of line 9				
a Excess from 2010. . . .				
b Excess from 2011. . . .				
c Excess from 2012. . . .				
d Excess from 2013. . . .				
e Excess from 2014. . . .				

Part XIV

4942(j)(3) or 4942(j)(5)

3 Complete 3a, b, or c for the alternative test relied upon

1 Information Regarding Foundation Managers:

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

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.

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

d Any restrictions or limitations on awards, such as by geographical areas, charitable fields, kinds of institutions, or other factors

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)				
a Paid during the year See Additional Data Table				
Total			3a	329,157
b Approved for future payment				
Total			3b	

Enter gross amounts unless otherwise indicated

Part XVI-B Relationship of Activities to the Accomplishment of Exempt Purposes

Form **990-PF** (2014)

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)				
a <i>Paid during the year</i>				
CAMPAIGN FOR SOUTHERN EQUALITY PO BOX 364 ASHEVILLE,NC 28802	NONE	PC	GENERAL OPERATING SUPPORT	20,475
EQUALITY FEDERATION 567 SUTTER ST 3RD FLOOR SAN FRANCISCO,CA 94102	NONE	PC	SUPPORT SOUTHERN COHORT INITIATIVE	30,000
EQUALITY NC FOUNDATION 5121 HOLLY RIDGE RD RALEIGH,NC 27612	NONE	PC	GENERAL OPERATING SUPPORT	21,000
EQUALITY VA 403 N ROBINSON ST RICHMOND,VA 23220	NONE	PC	GENERAL OPERATING SUPPORT	20,835
FREEDOM CENTER FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE PO BOX 9039 CHARLOTTE,NC 28299	NONE	PC	GENERAL OPERATING SUPPORT	20,000
FUNDERS FOR LGBTQ ISSUES 116 E 16TH ST FLOOR 7 NEWYORK,NY 10003	NONE	PC	SUPPORT SOUTHERN FUNDING PROJECT	30,000
LGBT CENTER OF RALEIGH 411 HILLSBOROUGH ST RALEIGH,NC 27603	NONE	PC	SUPPORT YOUTH PROGRAMMING/GENERAL OP	31,000
NATIONAL BLACK JUSTICE COALITION 1325 MASS AVE STE 700 WASHINGTON,DC 20005	NONE	PC	SUPPORT SENIOR FELLOW FROM THE SOUTH	30,965
PEOPLE OF FAITH FOR EQUALITY 10231 PONDERA RD RICHMOND,VA 23235	NONE	PC	GENERAL OPERATING SUPPORT	11,000
ROSMY 2311 WESTWOOD AVE RICHMOND,VA 23230	NONE	PC	GENERAL OPERATING SUPPORT	21,000
SOUTHERNERS ON NEW GROUND 250 GEORGIA AVE STE 315 ATLANTA,GA 30312	NONE	PC	SUPPORT LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT PROG	46,000
TIME OUT YOUTH CENTER 2320-A N DAVIDSON ST CHARLOTTE,NC 28205	NONE	PC	GENERAL OPERATING SUPPORT	20,882
COMMUNITY FOUND OF GREENSBORO 330 S GREENE ST 100 GREENSBORO,NC 27401	NONE	PC	GENERAL OPERATING SUPPORT	6,000
BOLDER GIVING 330 WEST 38TH ST STE 505 NEWYORK,NY 10018	NONE	PC	CREATION OF SOUTHERN LEADER BOARD	20,000
Total  3a				329,157

Schedule B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF) Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service	Schedule of Contributors ▶ Attach to Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF. ▶ Information about Schedule B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF) and its instructions is at www.irs.gov/form990.	OMB No 1545-0047 2014
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Name of the organization LAUGHING GULL FOUNDATION	Employer identification number 36-4749289
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Organization type (check one)

Filers of: Form 990 or 990-EZ Form 990-PF	Section: ☐ 501(c)() (enter number) organization ☐ 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust not treated as a private foundation ☐ 527 political organization ☒ 501(c)(3) exempt private foundation ☐ 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust treated as a private foundation ☐ 501(c)(3) taxable private foundation
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Check if your organization is covered by the **General Rule** or a **Special Rule**.
Note. Only a section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) organization can check boxes for both the General Rule and a Special Rule. See instructions.

General Rule

☒ For an organization filing Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF that received, during the year, contributions totaling \$5,000 or more (in money or other property) from any one contributor. Complete Parts I and II. See instructions for determining a contributor's total contributions.

Special Rules

- ☐ For an organization described in section 501(c)(3) filing Form 990 or 990-EZ that met the 33¹/₃% support test of the regulations under sections 509(a)(1) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi), that checked Schedule A (Form 990 or 990-EZ), Part II, line 13, 16a, or 16b, and that received from any one contributor, during the year, total contributions of the greater of **(1)** \$5,000 or **(2)** 2% of the amount on (i) Form 990, Part VIII, line 1h, or (ii) Form 990-EZ, line 1. Complete Parts I and II.
- ☐ For an organization described in section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) filing Form 990 or 990-EZ that received from any one contributor, during the year, total contributions of more than \$1,000 *exclusively* for religious, charitable, scientific, literary, or educational purposes, or for the prevention of cruelty to children or animals. Complete Parts I, II, and III.
- ☐ For an organization described in section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) filing Form 990 or 990-EZ that received from any one contributor, during the year, contributions *exclusively* for religious, charitable, etc., purposes, but no such contributions totaled more than \$1,000. If this box is checked, enter here the total contributions that were received during the year for an *exclusively* religious, charitable, etc., purpose. Do not complete any of the parts unless the **General Rule** applies to this organization because it received *nonexclusively* religious, charitable, etc., contributions totaling \$5,000 or more during the year. ▶ \$ _____

Caution. An organization that is not covered by the General Rule and/or the Special Rules does not file Schedule B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF), but it **must** answer “No” on Part IV, line 2, of its Form 990, or check the box on line H of its Form 990-EZ or on its Form 990PF, Part I, line 2, to certify that it does not meet the filing requirements of Schedule B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF).

Name of organization LAUGHING GULL FOUNDATION	Employer identification number 36-4749289
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Part I Contributors (see instructions) Use duplicate copies of Part I if additional space is needed			
(a) No.	(b) Name, address, and ZIP + 4	(c) Total contributions	(d) Type of contribution
<u>1</u>	TRUXTON TRUST CUSTODIAN 4525 HARDING ROAD SUITE 300 NASHVILLE, TN 37205	\$ 10,203,767	Person ☐ Payroll ☐ Noncash ☒ (Complete Part II for noncash contributions)
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Part II

(a) No. from Part I	(b) Description of noncash property given	(c) FMV (or estimate) (see instructions)	(d) Date received
1	PUBLICLY TRADED SECURITIES	\$ 10,203,767	2014-01-06
(a) No. from Part I	(b) Description of noncash property given	(c) FMV (or estimate) (see instructions)	(d) Date received
		\$	
(a) No. from Part I	(b) Description of noncash property given	(c) FMV (or estimate) (see instructions)	(d) Date received
		\$	
(a) No. from Part I	(b) Description of noncash property given	(c) FMV (or estimate) (see instructions)	(d) Date received
		\$	
(a) No. from Part I	(b) Description of noncash property given	(c) FMV (or estimate) (see instructions)	(d) Date received
		\$	
(a) No. from Part I	(b) Description of noncash property given	(c) FMV (or estimate) (see instructions)	(d) Date received
		\$	

Name of organization LAUGHING GULL FOUNDATION	Employer identification number 36-4749289
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Part III

Exclusively religious, charitable, etc., contributions to organizations described in section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) that total more than \$1,000 for the year from any one contributor. Complete columns (a) through (e) and the following line entry. For organizations completing Part III, enter the total of *exclusively* religious, charitable, etc., contributions of **\$1,000 or less** for the year. (Enter this information once. See instructions.) ▶ \$ _____

Use duplicate copies of Part III if additional space is needed.

(a) No. from Part I	(b) Purpose of gift	(c) Use of gift	(d) Description of how gift is held
—	_____	_____	_____
	_____	_____	_____
	_____	_____	_____
(e) Transfer of gift			
Transferee's name, address, and ZIP 4		Relationship of transferor to transferee	
_____		_____	
_____		_____	
_____		_____	
(a) No. from Part I	(b) Purpose of gift	(c) Use of gift	(d) Description of how gift is held
—	_____	_____	_____
	_____	_____	_____
	_____	_____	_____
(e) Transfer of gift			
Transferee's name, address, and ZIP 4		Relationship of transferor to transferee	
_____		_____	
_____		_____	
_____		_____	
(a) No. from Part I	(b) Purpose of gift	(c) Use of gift	(d) Description of how gift is held
—	_____	_____	_____
	_____	_____	_____
	_____	_____	_____
(e) Transfer of gift			
Transferee's name, address, and ZIP 4		Relationship of transferor to transferee	
_____		_____	
_____		_____	
_____		_____	
(a) No. from Part I	(b) Purpose of gift	(c) Use of gift	(d) Description of how gift is held
—	_____	_____	_____
	_____	_____	_____
	_____	_____	_____
(e) Transfer of gift			
Transferee's name, address, and ZIP 4		Relationship of transferor to transferee	
_____		_____	
_____		_____	
_____		_____	

TY 2014 Accounting Fees Schedule

Name: LAUGHING GULL FOUNDATION

EIN: 36-4749289

Category	Amount	Net Investment Income	Adjusted Net Income	Disbursements for Charitable Purposes
INDIRECT ACCOUNTING FEES	2,875			

**TY 2014 Investments Corporate
Bonds Schedule****Name:** LAUGHING GULL FOUNDATION**EIN:** 36-4749289

Name of Bond	End of Year Book Value	End of Year Fair Market Value
ASTRAZENECA PLC SN NT 9/18/12 1.95%		
BOEING CAP CORP 8/1/11 2.9%		
BROADCOM CORP SN NT 11/9/11 2.7%		
GOLDMAN SACHS BK 3/27/13 1.75%		
NATIONAL RURAL UTIL 4/4/13 2%		
ORACLE CORP NT 7/16/13 2.375%		
RALPH LAUREN CORP 9/26/13 2.125%		
SIMON PROPERTY GR 11/16/11 2.8%		
TEVA PHARM FIN SEN 1/10/11 2.4%		
WELLS FARGO & CO 5/7/12 2.1%		
SEE ATTACHED SCHEDULE	2,669,127	2,673,075

**TY 2014 Investments Corporate
Stock Schedule****Name:** LAUGHING GULL FOUNDATION**EIN:** 36-4749289

Name of Stock	End of Year Book Value	End of Year Fair Market Value
SEE ATTACHED SCHEDULE		
26,508.912 SHS DFCEX	498,215	501,549
260 SHS IWS	13,188	19,178
17,151 SHS IWF	1,396,770	1,639,807
5,345 SHS IJR	553,479	609,651
1,475 SHS SPY	224,182	303,172
1,541 SHS MDY	358,708	406,778
1 SH CARDINAL RESOURCES	10,000	10,000
36,337 SHS VEA	1,469,856	1,376,446
2,433 SHS VNQ	165,568	197,074

TY 2014 Investments - Other Schedule**Name:** LAUGHING GULL FOUNDATION**EIN:** 36-4749289

Category/ Item	Listed at Cost or FMV	Book Value	End of Year Fair Market Value
RSF SOCIAL INVESTMENT FUND	AT COST	250,000	250,000
ARAVAIPA VENTURE FUND, LLC	AT COST	280,207	280,207
ECOTRUST FORESTS II, LLC	AT COST	117,633	117,633
GALIURO VENTURES, LLC	AT COST	4,256	4,256

TY 2014 Other Decreases Schedule

Name: LAUGHING GULL FOUNDATION

EIN: 36-4749289

Description	Amount
FMV/ DISPOSITION > COST DONATED SECURITIES	11,158,156

TY 2014 Other Expenses Schedule**Name:** LAUGHING GULL FOUNDATION**EIN:** 36-4749289

Description	Revenue and Expenses per Books	Net Investment Income	Adjusted Net Income	Disbursements for Charitable Purposes
EXPENSES				
INSURANCE	2,602			
DUES & MEMBERSHIPS	3,830			2,873
WEBSITE DEVELOPMENT	4,500			2,250
OFFICE EXPENSE	6,098			

TY 2014 Other Income Schedule**Name:** LAUGHING GULL FOUNDATION**EIN:** 36-4749289

Description	Revenue And Expenses Per Books	Net Investment Income	Adjusted Net Income
TRUXTON TRUST	6,124	6,124	
MISCELLANEOUS	1,789		
ARAVAIPA (ORDINARY)	-11,632		
GALIURO (ORDINARY)	-225		
ECOTRUST (ORDINARY)	-17,018		

TY 2014 Other Increases Schedule

Name: LAUGHING GULL FOUNDATION

EIN: 36-4749289

Description	Amount
PARTNERSHIP BASIS ADJUSTMENTS	45,420

TY 2014 Other Liabilities Schedule

Name: LAUGHING GULL FOUNDATION

EIN: 36-4749289

Description	Beginning of Year - Book Value	End of Year - Book Value
PAYABLE TO OFFICER	6,400	

**TY 2014 Other Notes/Loans
Receivable Short Schedule**

Name: LAUGHING GULL FOUNDATION
EIN: 36-4749289

Name of 501(c)(3) Organization	Balance Due
NATURAL CAPITAL INV FD 102213 2	250,000

TY 2014 Other Professional Fees Schedule**Name:** LAUGHING GULL FOUNDATION**EIN:** 36-4749289

Category	Amount	Net Investment Income	Adjusted Net Income	Disbursements for Charitable Purposes
INVESTMENT MGMT - TRUXTON TRUST	174,893	157,403		
CONSULTING	20,396			

TY 2014 Taxes Schedule**Name:** LAUGHING GULL FOUNDATION**EIN:** 36-4749289

Category	Amount	Net Investment Income	Adjusted Net Income	Disbursements for Charitable Purposes
FOREIGN TAXES WITHHELD	3,352	3,352		
EXCISE TAX	456			

TY 2014 GeneralDependencySmall

Name: LAUGHING GULL FOUNDATION
EIN: 36-4749289

Business Name or Person Name:

Taxpayer Identification Number:

**Form, Line or Instruction
Reference:**

Regulations Reference:

Description: WAIVE NOL CARRYBACK

Attachment Information: