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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For calendar year 2014 or tax year beginning , 2014, and ending , 20

Name of foundation
COOPER FOUNDATION

A Employer identification number
47-0401230

Number and street (or P O box number if mail is not delivered to street address)
870 WELLS FARGO CENTER
1248 O STREET

Room/suite

B Telephone number (see instructions)
(402) 476-7571

City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code
LINCOLN, NE 68508

C If exemption application is pending, check here ▶ ☐

D 1. Foreign organizations, check here ▶ ☐
2. Foreign organizations meeting the 85% test, check here and attach computation ▶ ☐

E If private foundation status was terminated under section 507(b)(1)(A), check here ▶ ☐

F If the foundation is in a 60-month termination under section 507(b)(1)(B), check here ▶ ☐

G Check all that apply:
☐ Initial return ☐ Initial return of a former public charity
☐ Final return ☐ Amended return
☐ Address change ☐ Name change

H Check type of organization: ☒ Section 501(c)(3) exempt private foundation
☐ Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust ☐ Other taxable private foundation

I Fair market value of all assets at end of year *(from Part II, col. (c), line 16)* ▶ $ 23,379,341.

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)				
	2	Check ▶ ☒ if the foundation is **not** required to attach Sch B				
	3	Interest on savings and temporary cash investments	35.	35.		
	4	Dividends and interest from securities	213,580.	213,580.		
	5a	Gross rents				
	b	Net rental income or (loss)				
	6a	Net gain or (loss) from sale of assets not on line 10	1,828,027.			
	b	Gross sales price for all assets on line 6a 5,838,267.				
	7	Capital gain net income (from Part IV, line 2)		1,828,027.		
	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)				
	12	**Total.** Add lines 1 through 11	2,041,642.	2,041,642.		
Operating and Administrative Expenses	13	Compensation of officers, directors, trustees, etc	136,753.	7,545.		129,208.
	14	Other employee salaries and wages	74,940.			74,940.
	15	Pension plans, employee benefits	57,037.	2,316.		54,721.
	16a	Legal fees (attach schedule)	170.	9.		161.
	b	Accounting fees (attach schedule)	13,260.	6,104.		7,156.
	c	Other professional fees (attach schedule). [1]	45,712.	45,712.		
	17	Interest				
	18	Taxes (attach schedule) (see instructions)[2].	34,171.	589.		13,912.
	19	Depreciation (attach schedule) and depletion	2,102.	85.		
	20	Occupancy	52,744.	2,142.		50,602.
	21	Travel, conferences, and meetings	9,002.			5,278.
	22	Printing and publications	284.			284.
	23	Other expenses (attach schedule) ATCH 3	38,122.	985.		37,137.
	24	**Total operating and administrative expenses.** Add lines 13 through 23	464,297.	65,487.		373,399.
	25	Contributions, gifts, grants paid	983,109.			954,360.
	26	**Total expenses and disbursements** Add lines 24 and 25	1,447,406.	65,487.		1,327,759.
	27	Subtract line 26 from line 12:				
	a	**Excess of revenue over expenses and disbursements**	594,236.			
	b	**Net investment income** (if negative, enter -0-)		1,976,155.		
	c	**Adjusted net income** (if negative, enter -0-)				

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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			
	2	Savings and temporary cash investments	153,943.	37,392.	37,392.
	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) ▶ Less allowance for doubtful accounts ▶			
	8	Inventories for sale or use			
	9	Prepaid expenses and deferred charges	4,819.	8,647.	8,647.
	10a	Investments - U S and state government obligations (attach schedule)			
	b	Investments - corporate stock (attach schedule)			
	c	Investments - corporate bonds (attach schedule)			
	11	Investments - land, buildings, and equipment basis ▶ Less accumulated depreciation (attach schedule) ▶			
	12	Investments - mortgage loans			
	13	Investments - other (attach schedule) ATCH 4	24,293,446.	23,327,999.	23,327,999.
	14	Land, buildings, and equipment basis ▶ 114,193. Less accumulated depreciation (attach schedule) ▶ 108,890.	6,143.	5,303.	5,303.
	15	Other assets (describe ▶)			
	16	Total assets (to be completed by all filers - see the instructions. Also, see page 1, item I)	24,458,351.	23,379,341.	23,379,341.
Liabilities	17	Accounts payable and accrued expenses	27,279.	22,912.	
	18	Grants payable	304,324.	333,073.	
	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 ▶ ATCH 5)	2,210.	112.	
	23	**Total liabilities** (add lines 17 through 22)	333,813.	356,097.	
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	19,124,538.	18,023,244.	
	25	Temporarily restricted			
	26	Permanently restricted	5,000,000.	5,000,000.	
		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)	24,124,538.	23,023,244.	
	31	**Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances** (see instructions)	24,458,351.	23,379,341.	

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	24,124,538.
2	Enter amount from Part I, line 27a	2	594,236.
3	Other increases not included in line 2 (itemize) ▶	3	
4	Add lines 1, 2, and 3	4	24,718,774.
5	Decreases not included in line 2 (itemize) ▶ ATCH 6	5	1,695,530.
6	Total net assets or fund balances at end of year (line 4 minus line 5) - Part II, column (b), line 30	6	23,023,244.

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.)
1a	SEE PART IV SCHEDULE			
b				
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				
b				
c				
d				
e				

Complete only for assets showing gain in column (h) and owned by the foundation on 12/31/69

	(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	(l) Gains (Col. (h) gain minus col (k), but not less than -0-) or Losses (from col. (h))
a				
b				
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	1,828,027.
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	0

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 the 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	959,171.	22,305,269.	0.043002
2012	1,098,237.	20,148,933.	0.054506
2011	1,152,905.	21,021,294.	0.054845
2010	784,821.	19,615,122.	0.040011
2009	697,561.	16,376,203.	0.042596

2	**Total** of line 1, column (d)	2	0.234960
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	0.046992
4	Enter the net value of noncharitable-use assets for 2014 from Part X, line 5	4	23,936,545.
5	Multiply line 4 by line 3	5	1,124,826.
6	Enter 1% of net investment income (1% of Part I, line 27b)	6	19,762.
7	Add lines 5 and 6	7	1,144,588.
8	Enter qualifying distributions from Part XII, line 4	8	1,327,759.

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 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	19,762.
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	19,762.
4	Subtitle A (income) tax (domestic section 4947(a)(1) trusts and taxable foundations only. Others enter -0-) . . .			4	0
5	**Tax based on investment income.** Subtract line 4 from line 3. If zero or less, enter -0-			5	19,762.
6	Credits/Payments.				
a	2014 estimated tax payments and 2013 overpayment credited to 2014	6a	19,650.		
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	19,650.
8	Enter any **penalty** for underpayment of estimated tax. Check here ☐ if Form 2220 is attached			8	
9	**Tax due.** If the total of lines 5 and 8 is more than line 7, enter **amount owed** . . . . ▶			9	112.
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-A Statements Regarding Activities

			Yes	No
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		X
b	Did it spend more than $100 during the year (either directly or indirectly) for political purposes (see Instructions for the definition)?	1b		X
	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.			
c	Did the foundation file **Form 1120-POL** for this year?	1c	N/	A
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? . . . . *If "Yes," attach a detailed description of the activities*	2		X
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? *If "Yes," attach a conformed copy of the changes*	3		X
4a	Did the foundation have unrelated business gross income of $1,000 or more during the year?	4a		X
b	If "Yes," has it filed a tax return on **Form 990-T** for this year?	4b	N/	A
5	Was there a liquidation, termination, dissolution, or substantial contraction during the year? . . . . *If "Yes," attach the statement required by General Instruction T.*	5		X
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	X	
7	Did the foundation have at least $5,000 in assets at any time during the year? *If "Yes," complete Part II, col (c), and Part XV*	7	X	
8a	Enter the states to which the foundation reports or with which it is registered (see instructions) ▶ NE,			
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? If "No," attach explanation*	8b	X	
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)? *If "Yes," complete Part XIV*	9		X
10	Did any persons become substantial contributors during the tax year? *If "Yes," attach a schedule listing their names and addresses*	10		X

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

			Yes	No
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		X
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		X
13	Did the foundation comply with the public inspection requirements for its annual returns and exemption application?	13	X	

Website address ▶ WWW.COOPERFOUNDATION.ORG

14 The books are in care of ▶ COOPER FOUNDATION Telephone no. ▶ 402-476-7571

Located at ▶870 WELLS FARGO CENTER, 1248 O STREET LINCOLN, NE ZIP+4 ▶ 68508

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

			Yes	No
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		X
	See the instructions for exceptions and filing requirements for FinCEN Form 114, (formerly TD F 90-22.1). 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)?	1b	N/A	
	Organizations relying on a current notice regarding disaster assistance check here ▶ ☐			
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		X
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? ☐ Yes ☒ No			
	If "Yes," list the years ▶			
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	N/A	
c	If the provisions of section 4942(a)(2) are being applied to **any** of the years listed in 2a, list the years here. ▶			
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	N/A	
4a	Did the foundation invest during the year any amount in a manner that would jeopardize its charitable purposes?	4a		X
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		X

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**	N/A
	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**	X (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**	N/A

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
ATCH 7		136,753.	9,544.	0

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		0	0	0

Total number of other employees paid over $50,000 ▶ 0

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		0
Total number of others receiving over $50,000 for professional services ▶		0

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 N/A	
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 NONE	
2	
All other program-related investments See instructions 3 NONE	
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	24,236,352.
b	Average of monthly cash balances			1b	50,760.
c	Fair market value of all other assets (see instructions)			1c	13,949.
d	**Total** (add lines 1a, b, and c)			1d	24,301,061.
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	24,301,061.
4	Cash deemed held for charitable activities. Enter 1 1/2 % of line 3 (for greater amount, see instructions)			4	364,516.
5	**Net value of noncharitable-use assets.** Subtract line 4 from line 3. Enter here and on Part V, line 4			5	23,936,545.
6	**Minimum investment return.** Enter 5% of line 5			6	1,196,827.

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	1,196,827.
2a	Tax on investment income for 2014 from Part VI, line 5	2a	19,762.		
b	Income tax for 2014. (This does not include the tax from Part VI.)	2b			
c	Add lines 2a and 2b			2c	19,762.
3	Distributable amount before adjustments. Subtract line 2c from line 1			3	1,177,065.
4	Recoveries of amounts treated as qualifying distributions			4	
5	Add lines 3 and 4			5	1,177,065.
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	1,177,065.

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	1,327,759.
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	1,327,759.
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	19,762.
6	**Adjusted qualifying distributions.** Subtract line 5 from line 4	6	1,307,997.

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				1,177,065.
2 Undistributed income, if any, as of the end of 2014				
a Enter amount for 2013 only			154,637.	
b Total for prior years 20 12 ,20 11 ,20 10				
3 Excess distributions carryover, if any, to 2014:				
a From 2009				
b From 2010				
c From 2011				
d From 2012				
e From 2013				
f **Total** of lines 3a through e	0			
4 Qualifying distributions for 2014 from Part XII, line 4: ▶ $ 1,327,759.				
a Applied to 2013, but not more than line 2a			154,637.	
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				1,173,122.
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).)*				
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				3,943.
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	0			
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 Private Operating Foundations (see instructions and Part VII-A, question 9)

NOT APPLICABLE

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

Part XV Supplementary Information (Complete this part only if the foundation 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).)

N/A

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.

N/A

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:

ATCH 8

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

SEE EXHIBIT 1

c Any submission deadlines:

APPLICATIONS ARE REVIEWED AT BOARD OF TRUSTEE MEETINGS.

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

GRANTS ARE MADE PRIMARILY TO NEBRASKA NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS.

Part XV Supplementary Information (continued)

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

Recipient Name and address (home or business)	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
a *Paid during the year*				
SEE EXHIBIT 2				954,360.
Total . . . . ▶ **3a**				954,360.
b *Approved for future payment*				
ATCH 9				
Total . . . . ▶ **3b**				322,000.

Part XVI-A Analysis of Income-Producing Activities

Enter gross amounts unless otherwise indicated.	Unrelated business income		Excluded by section 512, 513, or 514		(e) Related or exempt function income (See instructions.)
	(a) Business code	(b) Amount	(c) Exclusion code	(d) Amount	
1 Program service revenue.					
a					
b					
c					
d					
e					
f					
g Fees and contracts from government agencies					
2 Membership dues and assessments					
3 Interest on savings and temporary cash investments			14	35.	
4 Dividends and interest from securities			14	213,580.	
5 Net rental income or (loss) from real estate.					
a Debt-financed property					
b Not debt-financed property					
6 Net rental income or (loss) from personal property					
7 Other investment income					
8 Gain or (loss) from sales of assets other than inventory			18	1,828,027.	
9 Net income or (loss) from special events					
10 Gross profit or (loss) from sales of inventory					
11 Other revenue: a					
b					
c					
d					
e					
12 Subtotal. Add columns (b), (d), and (e)				2,041,642.	

13 **Total.** Add line 12, columns (b), (d), and (e) . . . . . 13 2,041,642.

(See worksheet in line 13 instructions to verify calculations)

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

Line No. ▼	Explain below how each activity for which income is reported in column (e) of Part XVI-A contributed importantly to the accomplishment of the foundation's exempt purposes (other than by providing funds for such purposes). (See instructions.)

Part XVII Information Regarding Transfers To and Transactions and Relationships With Noncharitable Exempt Organizations

			Yes	No
1	Did the organization directly or indirectly engage in any of the following with any other organization described in section 501(c) of the Code (other than section 501(c)(3) organizations) or in section 527, relating to political organizations?			
a	Transfers from the reporting foundation to a noncharitable exempt organization of			
	(1) Cash	1a(1)		X
	(2) Other assets	1a(2)		X
b	Other transactions			
	(1) Sales of assets to a noncharitable exempt organization	1b(1)		X
	(2) Purchases of assets from a noncharitable exempt organization	1b(2)		X
	(3) Rental of facilities, equipment, or other assets	1b(3)		X
	(4) Reimbursement arrangements	1b(4)		X
	(5) Loans or loan guarantees	1b(5)		X
	(6) Performance of services or membership or fundraising solicitations	1b(6)		X
c	Sharing of facilities, equipment, mailing lists, other assets, or paid employees	1c		X

d If the answer to any of the above is "Yes," complete the following schedule. Column **(b)** should always show the fair market value of the goods, other assets, or services given by the reporting foundation If the foundation received less than fair market value in any transaction or sharing arrangement, show in column **(d)** the value of the goods, other assets, or services received

(a) Line no	**(b)** Amount involved	**(c)** Name of noncharitable exempt organization	**(d)** Description of transfers, transactions, and sharing arrangements
	N/A		N/A

2a Is the foundation directly or indirectly affiliated with, or related to, one or more tax-exempt organizations described in section 501(c) of the Code (other than section 501(c)(3)) or in section 527? ☐ Yes ☒ No

b If "Yes," complete the following schedule

(a) Name of organization	**(b)** Type of organization	**(c)** Description of relationship

Sign Here

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

▶ 5/15/2015 ▶ President

Signature of officer or trustee Date Title

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

Paid Preparer Use Only

Print/Type preparer's name	Preparer's signature	Date	Check ☐ if self-employed	PTIN
KRISTIN TYNON		5/15/15		P01063388

Firm's name ▶ BKD, LLP

Firm's EIN ▶ 44-0160260

Firm's address ▶ 1248 O STREET, STE 1040
LINCOLN, NE 68508-1461

Phone no 402-473-7600

FORM 990-PF - PART IV
CAPITAL GAINS AND LOSSES FOR TAX ON INVESTMENT INCOME

Kind of Property		Description				P or D	Date acquired	Date sold
Gross sale price less expenses of sale	Depreciation allowed/ allowable	Cost or other basis	FMV as of 12/31/69	Adj. basis as of 12/31/69	Excess of FMV over adj basis		Gain or (loss)	
		TOTAL CAPITAL GAIN DISTRIBUTIONS					1,266,810.	
		ALGER SPECTRA PROPERTY TYPE: SECURITIES				P	VAR	VAR
185,352.		94,501.					90,851.	
		BARON OPPORTUNITY FUND PROPERTY TYPE: SECURITIES				P	VAR	VAR
1,252,920.		760,584.					492,336.	
		BLACKROCK EQUITY DIVIDEND PROPERTY TYPE: SECURITIES				P	VAR	VAR
145,959.		84,293.					61,666.	
		EAGLE SMALL CAP GROWTH FUND PROPERTY TYPE: SECURITIES				P	VAR	VAR
140,142.		72,943.					67,199.	
		HARBOR INTERNATIONAL PROPERTY TYPE: SECURITIES				P	VAR	VAR
66,311.		43,140.					23,171.	
		JOHN HANCOCK DISCIPLINED VALUE PROPERTY TYPE: SECURITIES				P	VAR	VAR
144,893.		44,375.					100,518.	
		MFS INTERNATIONAL NEW DISCOVERY PROPERTY TYPE: SECURITIES				P	VAR	VAR
39,887.		21,135.					18,752.	
		TEMPLETON INSTL FUNDS FOREIGN PROPERTY TYPE: SECURITIES				P	VAR	VAR
51,480.		31,031.					20,449.	
		OPPENHEIMER DEV MARKETS PROPERTY TYPE: SECURITIES				P	VAR	VAR
116,959.		101,553.					15,406.	
		PIMCO COMMODITY REAL RETURN PROPERTY TYPE: SECURITIES				P	VAR	VAR
74,950.		87,662.					-12,712.	
		EMERGING MARKETS GROWTH FUND PROPERTY TYPE: SECURITIES				P	VAR	VAR
1,972,784.		2,372,321.					-399,537.	
		ROYCE OPPORTUNITY INSL CLASS				P	VAR	VAR

FORM 990-PF - PART IV
CAPITAL GAINS AND LOSSES FOR TAX ON INVESTMENT INCOME

Kind of Property		Description				P or D	Date acquired	Date sold
Gross sale price less expenses of sale	Depreciation allowed/ allowable	Cost or other basis	FMV as of 12/31/69	Adj. basis as of 12/31/69	Excess of FMV over adj basis		Gain or (loss)	
		PROPERTY TYPE: SECURITIES						
41,662.		18,379.					23,283.	
		EUROPACIFIC GROWTH FUND F2				P	VAR	VAR
		PROPERTY TYPE: SECURITIES						
64,573.		51,716.					12,857.	
		VOYA GLOBAL REAL ESTATE				P	VAR	VAR
		PROPERTY TYPE: SECURITIES						
123,939.		85,003.					38,936.	
		CALAMOS GROWTH & INCOME				P	VAR	VAR
		PROPERTY TYPE: SECURITIES						
106,494.		98,876.					7,618.	
		HSBC OPPORTUNITY FUND				P	VAR	VAR
		PROPERTY TYPE: SECURITIES						
43,152.		42,728.					424.	
TOTAL GAIN(LOSS)							1,828,027.	

FORM 990PF, PART I - OTHER PROFESSIONAL FEES

DESCRIPTION		REVENUE AND EXPENSES PER BOOKS	NET INVESTMENT INCOME
INVESTMENT FEES		45,712.	45,712.
	TOTALS	45,712.	45,712.

ATTACHMENT 2

FORM 990PF, PART I - TAXES

DESCRIPTION	REVENUE AND EXPENSES PER BOOKS	NET INVESTMENT INCOME	CHARITABLE PURPOSES
PERSONAL PROPERTY TAX	65.	3.	62.
PAYROLL TAXES	14,436.	586.	13,850.
FEDERAL EXCISE TAX	19,670.		
TOTALS	34,171.	589.	13,912.

FORM 990PF, PART I - OTHER EXPENSES

DESCRIPTION	REVENUE AND EXPENSES PER BOOKS	NET INVESTMENT INCOME	CHARITABLE PURPOSES
DUES	6,995.		6,995.
POSTAGE	760.	31.	729.
SUPPLIES	1,045.	42.	1,003.
MISCELLANEOUS	2,460.	100.	2,360.
INSURANCE	1,877.	76.	1,801.
SPECIAL SERVICES	850.		850.
COPIER LEASE	3,222.	131.	3,091.
COMMUNICATIONS	6,024.		6,024.
COMPUTER EXPENSE	14,889.	605.	14,284.
TOTALS	38,122.	985.	37,137.

ATTACHMENT 4

FORM 990PF, PART II - OTHER INVESTMENTS

DESCRIPTION	ENDING BOOK VALUE	ENDING FMV
EUROPACIFIC GROWTH FUND	1,834,835.	1,834,835.
ROYCE OPPORTUNITY FUND	1,692,929.	1,692,929.
CALAMOS GROWTH & INCOME	1,173,211.	1,173,211.
PRIME FUND - CAPITAL RESERVES	84,948.	84,948.
ALGER SPECTRA	1,922,766.	1,922,766.
BLACKROCK EQUITY DIVIDEND	1,898,338.	1,898,338.
EAGLE SMALL CAP GROWTH FUND	1,706,941.	1,706,941.
HARBOR INTERNATIONAL	1,832,423.	1,832,423.
JOHN HANCOCK DISCIPLINED VALUE	1,681,927.	1,681,927.
MFS INTNL. NEW DISCOVERY	1,391,661.	1,391,661.
TEMPLETON INSTL FDS FOREIGN	1,412,772.	1,412,772.
PIMCO COMMODITY REAL RETURN	1,020,207.	1,020,207.
OPPENHEIMER DEV MARKETS	2,818,365.	2,818,365.
VOYA GLOBAL REAL ESTATE	1,177,419.	1,177,419.
HSBC OPPORTUNITY FUND	1,679,257.	1,679,257.
TOTALS	23,327,999.	23,327,999.

ATTACHMENT 5

FORM 990PF, PART II - OTHER LIABILITIES

DESCRIPTION	ENDING BOOK VALUE
FEDERAL EXCISE TAX PAYABLE	112.
TOTALS	112.

ATTACHMENT 6

FORM 990PF, PART III - OTHER DECREASES IN NET WORTH OR FUND BALANCES

DESCRIPTION		AMOUNT
UNREALIZED LOSSES		1,695,530.
	TOTAL	1,695,530.

FORM 990PF, PART VIII - LIST OF OFFICERS, DIRECTORS, AND TRUSTEES

ATTACHMENT 7

NAME AND ADDRESS	TITLE AND AVERAGE HOURS PER WEEK DEVOTED TO POSITION	COMPENSATION	CONTRIBUTIONS TO EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLANS	EXPENSE ACCT AND OTHER ALLOWANCES
BRAD KORELL 870 WELLS FARGO CENTER 1248 O STREET LINCOLN, NE 68508	TREASURER 2.00	1,650.	0	0
JACK CAMPBELL 870 WELLS FARGO CENTER 1248 O STREET LINCOLN, NE 68508	CHAIR 2.00	1,800.	0	0
JANE HOOD 870 WELLS FARGO CENTER 1248 O STREET LINCOLN, NE 68508	TRUSTEE 2.00	1,550.	0	0
LINDA CRUMP 870 WELLS FARGO CENTER 1248 O STREET LINCOLN, NE 68508	TRUSTEE 2.00	1,550.	0	0
NORTON WARNER 870 WELLS FARGO CENTER 1248 O STREET LINCOLN, NE 68508	TRUSTEE 2.00	1,300.	0	0

FORM 990PF, PART VIII - LIST OF OFFICERS, DIRECTORS, AND TRUSTEES

ATTACHMENT 7 (CONT'D)

NAME AND ADDRESS	TITLE AND AVERAGE HOURS PER WEEK DEVOTED TO POSITION	COMPENSATION	CONTRIBUTIONS TO EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLANS	EXPENSE ACCT AND OTHER ALLOWANCES
RICHARD VIERK 870 WELLS FARGO CENTER 1248 O STREET LINCOLN, NE 68508	TRUSTEE 2.00	1,900.	0	0
ROBERT NEFSKY 870 WELLS FARGO CENTER 1248 O STREET LINCOLN, NE 68508	VICE CHAIR 2.00	1,800.	0	0
ELWOOD A. THOMPSON 870 WELLS FARGO CENTER 1248 O STREET LINCOLN, NE 68508	PRESIDENT 40.00	122,603.	9,544.	0
KIM ROBAK 870 WELLS FARGO CENTER 1248 O STREET LINCOLN, NE 68508	TRUSTEE 2.00	1,800.	0	0
PAM SNOW 870 WELLS FARGO CENTER 1248 O STREET LINCOLN, NE 68508	TRUSTEE 2.00	800.	0	0
	GRAND TOTALS	136,753.	9,544.	0

ATTACHMENT 8

FORM 990PF, PART XV - NAME, ADDRESS AND PHONE FOR APPLICATIONS

COOPER FOUNDATION
870 WELLS FARGO CENTER, 1248 O ST
LINCOLN, NE 68508
402-476-7571

FORM 990PF, PART XV - CONTRIBUTIONS APPROVED FOR FUTURE PAYMENT

ATTACHMENT 9

RECIPIENT NAME AND ADDRESS	RELATIONSHIP TO SUBSTANTIAL CONTRIBUTOR AND FOUNDATION STATUS OF RECIPIENT	PURPOSE OF GRANT OR CONTRIBUTION	AMOUNT
BELLEVUE UNIVERSITY 1000 GALVIN ROAD SOUTH BELLEVUE, NE	NONE PC	COOPER FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP FOR STUDENTS OF COLOR	12,000.
COLLEGE OF SAINT MARY 7000 MERCY RD. OMAHA, NE	NONE PC	COOPER FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP FOR STUDENTS OF COLOR	12,000.
DOANE COLLEGE 1014 BOSWELL AVENUE CRETE, NE	NONE PC	COOPER FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP FOR STUDENTS OF COLOR	12,000.
LINCOLN CHILDREN'S MUSEUM 1420 P STREET LINCOLN, NE	NONE PC	MASTER EXHIBITS PLAN PHASE III	20,000.
MIDLAND UNIVERSITY 900 N. CLARKSON STREET FREMONT, NE	NONE PC	COOPER FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP FOR STUDENTS OF COLOR	12,000.
NEBRASKA WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY 5000 ST. PAUL AVENUE LINCOLN, NE	NONE PC	COOPER FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP FOR STUDENTS OF COLOR	12,000.

FORM 990PF, PART XV - CONTRIBUTIONS APPROVED FOR FUTURE PAYMENT

ATTACHMENT 9 (CONT'D)

RECIPIENT NAME AND ADDRESS	RELATIONSHIP TO SUBSTANTIAL CONTRIBUTOR AND FOUNDATION STATUS OF RECIPIENT	PURPOSE OF GRANT OR CONTRIBUTION	AMOUNT
HASTINGS COLLEGE 710 N. TURNER AVENUE HASTINGS, NE	NONE PC	COOPER FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP FOR STUDENTS OF COLOR	12,000.
HEAR NEBRASKA P.O. BOX 4591 OMAHA, NE	NONE PC	EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR POSITION	10,000.
COMMUNITY CROPS 1551 S. 2ND STREET LINCOLN, NE	NONE PC	GENERAL OPERATING SUPPORT	7,500.
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT RESOURCES 285 S 68TH STREET PLACE LINCOLN, NE	NONE PC	OPERATING CAPITAL FOR COMMUNITY HOPE FEDERAL CREDIT UNION	50,000.
GRAND ISLAND COMMUNITY FOUNDATION 1811 W. 2ND STREET, STE 480 GRAND ISLAND, NE	NONE PC	QUILTED CONSCIENCE CURRICULUM DEVELOPMENT	15,000.
HEARTLAND BIG BROTHERS BIG SISTERS 6201 HAVELOCK AVE. LINCOLN, NE	NONE PC	LATINO MENTORING PROGRAM	10,000.

FORM 990PF, PART XV - CONTRIBUTIONS APPROVED FOR FUTURE PAYMENT

ATTACHMENT 9 (CONT'D)

RECIPIENT NAME AND ADDRESS	RELATIONSHIP TO SUBSTANTIAL CONTRIBUTOR AND FOUNDATION STATUS OF RECIPIENT	PURPOSE OF GRANT OR CONTRIBUTION	AMOUNT
NEBRASKA WATER CENTER FOUNDATION P.O. BOX 720 OGALLALA, NE	NONE PC	EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMMING AT LAKE MCCONAUGHY VISITORS' CENTER	2,500.
NET FOUNDATION FOR TELEVISION 1800 N. 33RD STREET LINCOLN, NE	NONE PC	PLATTE BASIN TIME LAPSE DOCUMENTARY	75,000.
SENIORS FOUNDATION 600 S. 70TH STREET, BUILDING #7 LINCOLN, NE	NONE PC	EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR POSITION	20,000.
UNL INTERNATIONAL QUILT STUDY CENTER & MUSEUM 1523 NORTH 33RD STREET LINCOLN, NE	NONE PC	DIGITAL GALLERY	15,000.
UNL LIED CENTER FOR PERFORMING ARTS 301 N. 12TH STREET LINCOLN, NE	NONE PC	GRAND DRAPE	25,000.
		TOTAL CONTRIBUTIONS APPROVED	322,000.

Cooper Foundation Application

Cooper Foundation (NE)

Project Name*

Name of Project

Character Limit: 100

Amount Requested*

Character Limit: 20

Request Narrative (=required)*

Request Description*

Tell us what you want to do and why it is important.

Character Limit: 3000

Who is served?*

Describe the audience served - who and how many will benefit?

Character Limit: 2000

Funding*

Tell us how this work will be funded. Describe your development plan and its goals, and when this grant funding is needed.

Character Limit: 2000

Outcomes*

What are the anticipated results? State the specific outcomes you hope to achieve.

Character Limit: 2000

Financial Information notes (optional)

You may use this area to provide additional information about your project and operating budgets or financial reports, if necessary.

Character Limit: 1000

Required Supporting Documentation

Attach the documents requested below that are available and applicable to this request.

EXHIBIT 1

File Uploads: Please attach original (not scanned) PDF documents when possible. If attaching Word or Excel documents, please be sure that they are formatted to view/print completely on letter (8.5x11) or legal (8.5x14) pages.

Project Budget

Not required for general operating requests. If the request is to support a staff position, provide a project budget for that position.

Upload your project budget. Include detailed sources and amounts of income and expenses. Identify funding sources as confirmed, pending, or to be requested.

File Size Limit: 1 MB

Operating Budget

Upload your organizational operating budget, including income and expenses, for the current fiscal year.

File Size Limit: 1 MB

Operating Budget - next fiscal year

Upload the operating budget for the next fiscal year only if funding is requested for that year.

File Size Limit: 1 MB

Balance Sheet

Upload the organization's most recent balance sheet.

File Size Limit: 1 MB

Income/Expense Statement

Upload your most recent Income/Expense (Profit/Loss) Statement including year-to-date information.

File Size Limit: 1 MB

Budget vs. Actual

Upload your most recent Budget vs. Actual report.

File Size Limit: 1 MB

Audit or Year-End Financial Report

Upload the report for your most recent complete fiscal year. An Audit or Review of Financial Statements is preferred. A compilation or year-end balance sheet and income/expense statement will be accepted.

File Size Limit: 6 MB

Additional Financial Report (optional)

File Size Limit: 1 MB

EXHIBIT 1

Board of Directors and Staff

Upload a list of your board of directors including addresses, phone numbers, and affiliations, and names and titles of staff.

File Size Limit: 1 MB

Optional Documentation

Additional documentation, if necessary

File Size Limit: 1 MB

Optional Documentation

File Size Limit: 2 MB

Electronic Signature Agreement

Please Note: By entering data into the next four (4) fields requiring your Name, Title, and Date, as well as the Name of Board President/Chair, you are:
(1) representing that you are an agent for the applicant and duly authorized to submit this application;
(2) certifying that the applicant organization's board authorizes this application;
(3) agreeing to submit this grant application in an electronic form which shall be bound by its contents as an electronic transaction;
(3) agreeing that completion of the following fields constitutes an electronic signature.

Authorized Signature - Name*

Character Limit: 100

Title*

Character Limit: 100

Date*

Character Limit: 10

Board President/Chair*

Character Limit: 100

EXHIBIT 1

Cooper Foundation - Grants Paid 2014

Organization Name	City	State	Project Name	Payment
Arts				
Bemis Center for Contemporary Arts	Omaha	NE	Artist-in-Residence	$15,000.00
Crane River Theater	Kearney	NE	General operating support	$2,500 00
Greater Lincoln Chamber Foundation	Lincoln	NE	Hear Lincoln Summer Concert Series	$9,500.00
Hear Nebraska	Omaha	NE	Support for capacity-building resources	$3,600.00
Hear Nebraska	Omaha	NE	General operating support	$10,000 00
Joslyn Art Museum	Omaha	NE	Teacher Resource Center & Outreach Trunks	$15,000.00
Lincoln Community Concert Band	Lincoln	NE	General operating support	$2,250.00
Lincoln Municipal Band	Lincoln	NE	General operating support	$5,000 00
Lincoln Music Teachers Association	Lincoln	NE	Music Outreach Program	$5,000 00
Lincoln Orchestra Association	Lincoln	NE	Memorial in honor of Erdene "Les" Burgess	$100 00
Lincoln Orchestra Association	Lincoln	NE	General operating support	$10,000 00
LUX Center for the Arts	Lincoln	NE	General operating support	$20,000 00
Meadowlark Music Festival	Lincoln	NE	General operating support	$15,000 00
Metropolitan Opera/Nebraska Auditions	Lincoln	NE	Funding for Nebraska Auditions	$1,000.00
NAC Development Corp	Omaha	NE	I-80 Sculpture Repair Phase Two	$22,000.00
Omaha Creative Institute	Omaha	NE	Artist INC	$10,000 00
OmniArts Nebraska	Lincoln	NE	Support for two dance theatre productions	$4,000.00
Sheldon Art Association	Lincoln	NE	Jazz in June	$15,000.00
Sheldon Art Association	Lincoln	NE	Norman Geske Works on Paper Fund	$10,000 00
Sheldon Friends of Chamber Music	Lincoln	NE	General operating support	$2,000.00
Sunrise Communications Inc./KZUM Radio 89.3 FM	Lincoln	NE	Stransky Park Concerts	$5,600.00
University of Nebraska Lincoln, School of Music	Lincoln	NE	i2Choir	$5,000 00
Total Arts				**$187,550.00**
Community Improvement				
Community Services Fund of Nebraska	Lincoln	NE	2013/2014 campaign	$5,000 00
Friends of the Nebraska 150 Sesquicentennial	Lincoln	NE	Nebraska Sesquicentennial planning	$15,000 00
Lincoln Community Foundation	Lincoln	NE	2014 Vital Signs	$1,000 00
Nebraska Trails Foundation	Lincoln	NE	North Trail Bridge in Wilderness Park	$10,000 00
NeighborWorks Lincoln	Lincoln	NE	Resident leadership program	$10,000 00
Total Community Improvement				**$41,000.00**
Education				
Bellevue University	Bellevue	NE	Cooper Foundation Scholarship for Students of Color	$3,000.00
College of Saint Mary	Omaha	NE	Cooper Foundation Scholarship for Students of Color	$3,000 00
Daily Nebraskan	Lincoln	NE	The Public Square Project	$5,000.00
Doane College	Crete	NE	Cooper Foundation Scholarship for Students of Color	$3,000 00
Doane College	Crete	NE	Arts Are Basic program	$30,000 00
Foundation for Lincoln Public Schools	Lincoln	NE	General operating support	$30,000 00
Hastings College	Hastings	NE	Cooper Foundation Scholarship for Students of Color	$3,000.00
Lincoln Housing Charities	Lincoln	NE	Families Learning Together	$3,875 00
Lincoln Literacy	Lincoln	NE	General operating support	$15,000 00
Lincoln Public Schools	Lincoln	NE	Family Literacy Program	$10,000 00

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Organization Name	City	State	Project Name	Payment
Lincoln Public Schools	Lincoln	NE	Family Literacy - donation	$100 00
Lincoln Public Schools	Lincoln	NE	African Drums for Irving Middle School	$3,600.00
Midland University	Fremont	NE	Cooper Foundation Scholarship for Students of Color	$3,000.00
Museum of Nebraska Art	Kearney	NE	Video Profiles of Nebraska Artists	$18,000 00
Nebraska Wesleyan University	Lincoln	NE	Cooper Foundation Scholarship for Students of Color	$3,000.00
Nebraskans for Civic Reform	Lincoln	NE	Civic Engagement Program Manager position	$11,000 00
TeamMates Mentoring Program	Lincoln	NE	Lincoln TeamMates Mentoring Program	$15,000 00
University of Nebraska Lincoln, E.N. Thompson Forum on World Issues	Lincoln	NE	E.N. Thompson Forum on World Issues	$40,000.00
University of Nebraska Lincoln, E.N Thompson Forum on World Issues	Lincoln	NE	E.N Thompson Forum - Thompson Family Fund	$18,397.00
University of Nebraska-Lincoln, Center for Great Plains Studies	Lincoln	NE	Symposium: Standing Bear and the Trail Ahead	$16,200 00
University of Nebraska-Lincoln, Center for Great Plains Studies	Lincoln	NE	Travel Scholarships for Standing Bear Symposium	$10,000 00
Total Education				**$244,172.00**
Environment				
Community CROPS	Lincoln	NE	Youth programs and general operating support	$7,500.00
Groundwater Foundation	Lincoln	NE	General operating support	$10,000 00
Lincoln Children's Zoo	Lincoln	NE	Support for conservation projects	$15,000.00
Lincoln Parks and Recreation Foundation	Lincoln	NE	Prairie Corridor on Haines Branch	$10,000.00
National Audubon Society - Rowe Sanctuary	Gibbon	NE	Community Outreach Coordinator	$20,000.00
Nature Conservancy	Omaha	NE	Saline Wetlands Stewardship	$7,500 00
NET Foundation for Television	Lincoln	NE	Production of documentary, "Imagining the Platte."	$25,000 00
Prairie Loft Center for Outdoor and Agricultural Learning	Hastings	NE	General operating support	$10,000.00
Rocky Mountain Bird Observatory	Brighton	CO	Conservation of the mountain plover in Nebraska	$10,000.00
Total Environment				**$115,000.00**
Human Services				
Asian Community & Cultural Center	Lincoln	NE	General operating support	$10,000.00
Bridge Behavioral Health	Lincoln	NE	Primary Nursing Care for Clients in Withdrawal	$15,000.00
CASA for Lancaster County	Lincoln	NE	General operating support	$10,000 00
Center for Legal Immigration Assistance	Lincoln	NE	General operating support	$10,000 00
Center for People in Need	Lincoln	NE	Center for People in Need ESL Instruction	$22,500 00
Community Action Partnership of Lancaster and Saunders Counties	Lincoln	NE	Volunteer Income Tax Assistance Program	$10,000.00
El Centro de las Americas	Lincoln	NE	Family Support Services	$10,000 00
Food Bank of Lincoln	Lincoln	NE	Lincoln High School food market	$21,000.00
Friendship Home of Lincoln	Lincoln	NE	Substance Abuse Specialist	$26,041.00
Girl Scouts Spirit of Nebraska	Lincoln	NE	General operating support	$7,500.00
Guidance to Success Youth Club	Lincoln	NE	General operating support	$15,000 00
Lincoln Community Foundation	Lincoln	NE	Give to Lincoln Day 2014	$10,000 00
Lincoln/Lancaster County Habitat for Humanity	Lincoln	NE	Family Support	$25,000.00
Lincoln/Lancaster County Human Services Federation	Lincoln	NE	HSF Member Board Training	$5,000 00
Lincoln-Lancaster Child Advocacy Center	Lincoln	NE	New Child Advocate Position	$18,720 00
Malone Community Center	Lincoln	NE	General operating support	$5,000.00
Mourning Hope Grief Center	Lincoln	NE	Grief in the Workplace	$5,000 00
Nebraska Appleseed Center for Law in the Public Interest	Lincoln	NE	Engaging low income parents in education	$10,000.00

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Organization Name	City	State	Project Name	Payment
Nebraska Children and Families Foundation	Lincoln	NE	Project Everlast Lincoln	$15,000 00
Northeast Family Center	Lincoln	NE	General operating support	$4,000 00
St Monica's Behavioral Health Services for Women	Lincoln	NE	Project Mother and Child	$15,000.00
United Way of Lincoln/Lancaster County	Lincoln	NE	2014 Annual Campaign	$17,191 00
Voices for Children in Nebraska	Omaha	NE	Race Matters Conference	$25,000.00
Voices of Hope	Lincoln	NE	General operating support	$15,000 00
Total Human Services				**$326,952.00**
Humanities				
Nebraska Writers Collective	Omaha	NE	Louder Than a Bomb· Great Plains	$10,000 00
Panhandle Resource Conservation & Development, Inc.	Scottsbluff	NE	Intertribal Gathering	$2,500 00
Scottsbluff National Monument	Gering	NE	Historical research for new exhbits	$4,986 00
University of Nebraska Lincoln, Plains Humanities Alliance	Lincoln	NE	Lost Writers of the Plains	$9,500 00
Women's Foundation of Lincoln and Lancaster County	Lincoln	NE	Video documentary	$12,000 00
Total Humanities				**$38,986.00**
Other				
People's Health Center	Lincoln	NE	Donation in honor of Janet Coleman	$500 00
Rocky Mountain Honor Flight	Denver	CO	Memorial for Charles Kroll	$100 00
Nebraska Coalition for Lifesaving Cures	Lincoln	NE	Memorial for Jennie Robak	$100 00
Total Other				**$700.00**
Grand Total				**$954,360.00**

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