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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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Open to Public Inspection

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

Name of foundation COMMONWEALTH FOUNDATION III		A Employer identification number 62-1668518	
Number and street (or P O box number if mail is not delivered to street address) 800 EAST CANAL STREET NO 1900		B Telephone number (see instructions) (804) 643-4200	
City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code RICHMOND, VA 23219		C If exemption application is pending, check here ☐	
G Check all that apply ☐ Initial return ☐ Final return ☐ Address change		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 ☐	
H Check type of organization ☒ Section 501(c)(3) exempt private foundation ☐ Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust ☐ Other taxable private foundation		F If the foundation is in a 60-month termination under section 507(b)(1)(B), check here ☐	
I Fair market value of all assets at end of year (from Part II, col. (c), line 16) \$ 49,905,798		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	4	14,236		
	4 Dividends and interest from securities.		119,003		
	5a Gross rents				
	b Net rental income or (loss) _____				
	6a Net gain or (loss) from sale of assets not on line 10				
	b Gross sales price for all assets on line 6a _____				
	7 Capital gain net income (from Part IV, line 2) . . .		3,551,122		
	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)	3,379,959	-72,353		
	12 Total. Add lines 1 through 11	3,379,963	3,612,008		
Operating and Administrative Expenses	13 Compensation of officers, directors, trustees, etc	0	0		0
	14 Other employee salaries and wages				
	15 Pension plans, employee benefits				
	16a Legal fees (attach schedule)	1,192	1,192		0
	b Accounting fees (attach schedule)	1,780	1,780		0
	c Other professional fees (attach schedule)	52,750	0		52,750
	17 Interest				
	18 Taxes (attach schedule) (see instructions) . . .	40,000	45,128		0
	19 Depreciation (attach schedule) and depletion . . .				
	20 Occupancy				
	21 Travel, conferences, and meetings				
	22 Printing and publications				
	23 Other expenses (attach schedule)	225	227,091		0
	24 Total operating and administrative expenses.				
	Add lines 13 through 23	95,947	275,191		52,750
	25 Contributions, gifts, grants paid	2,313,784			2,313,784
	26 Total expenses and disbursements. Add lines 24 and 25	2,409,731	275,191		2,366,534
	27 Subtract line 26 from line 12				
	a Excess of revenue over expenses and disbursements	970,232			
	b Net investment income (if negative, enter -0-)		3,336,817		
	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	16,079	9,425	9,425
	2	Savings and temporary cash investments			
	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	40,073		
	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 ▶ 98,038 Less accumulated depreciation (attach schedule) ▶ _____	98,038	98,038	234,140
	12	Investments—mortgage loans			
	13	Investments—other (attach schedule)	18,408,523	19,425,482	49,662,233
	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)	18,562,713	19,532,945	49,905,798	
Liabilities	17	Accounts payable and accrued expenses			
	18	Grants payable			
	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 ▶ _____)			
	23	Total liabilities (add lines 17 through 22)	0	0	
	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			
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	0	0	
28		Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, bldg , and equipment fund	0	0	
29		Retained earnings, accumulated income, endowment, or other funds	18,562,713	19,532,945	
30		Total net assets or fund balances (see instructions)	18,562,713	19,532,945	
31	Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances (see instructions) . . .	18,562,713	19,532,945		

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 18,562,713
2	Enter amount from Part I, line 27a	2 970,232
3	Other increases not included in line 2 (itemize) ▶ _____	3 0
4	Add lines 1, 2, and 3	4 19,532,945
5	Decreases not included in line 2 (itemize) ▶ _____	5 0
6	Total net assets or fund balances at end of year (line 4 minus line 5)—Part II, column (b), line 30 .	6 19,532,945

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	PARTNERSHIP K-1 LT CAPITAL GAIN	P		
b	PARTNERSHIP K-1 ST CAPITAL GAIN	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 3,517,499			3,517,499
b 33,623			33,623
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			3,517,499
b			33,623
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	3,551,122
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	

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			
2012			
2011			
2010			
2009			

2	Total of line 1, column (d).	2	
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	
4	Enter the net value of noncharitable-use assets for 2014 from Part X, line 5.	4	
5	Multiply line 4 by line 3.	5	
6	Enter 1% of net investment income (1% of Part I, line 27b).	6	
7	Add lines 5 and 6.	7	
8	Enter qualifying distributions from Part XII, line 4.	8	

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

Part VI

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

1a		Exempt operating foundations described in section 4940(d)(2), check here ☐ and enter "N/A" on line 1			
b		Domestic foundations that meet the section 4940(e) requirements in Part V, check here ☐ and enter 1% of Part I, line 27b		166,736	
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-)		20	
3		Add lines 1 and 2.		366,736	
4		Subtitle A (income) tax (domestic section 4947(a)(1) trusts and taxable foundations only. Others enter -0-)		40	
5		Tax based on investment income. Subtract line 4 from line 3. If zero or less, enter -0-		566,736	
6		Credits/Payments			
a		2014 estimated tax payments and 2013 overpayment credited to 2014		6a	40,000
b		Exempt foreign organizations—tax withheld at source		6b	
c		Tax paid with application for extension of time to file (Form 8868)		6c	47,000
d		Backup withholding erroneously withheld		6d	
7		Total credits and payments. Add lines 6a through 6d.		7	87,000
8		Enter any penalty for underpayment of estimated tax. Check here ☒ if Form 2220 is attached		8	39
9		Tax due. If the total of lines 5 and 8 is more than line 7, enter amount owed		9	
10		Overpayment. If line 7 is more than the total of lines 5 and 8, enter the amount overpaid.		10	20,225
11		Enter the amount of line 10 to be Credited to 2015 estimated tax 20,225 Refunded		11	0

Part VII-A

Statements 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	Yes	No
b		Did it spend more than \$100 during the year (either directly or indirectly) for political purposes (see Instructions for definition)?		1b		No
		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		No
d		Enter the amount (if any) of tax on political expenditures (section 4955) imposed during the year (1) On the foundation \$ 0 (2) On foundation managers \$ 0				
e		Enter the reimbursement (if any) paid by the foundation during the year for political expenditure tax imposed on foundation managers \$ 0				
2		Has the foundation engaged in any activities that have not previously been reported to the IRS?		2		No
		If "Yes," attach a detailed description of the activities.				
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	Yes	
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?		5		No
		If "Yes," attach the statement required by General Instruction T.				
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? If "Yes," complete Part II, col. (c), and Part XV.		7	Yes	
8a		Enter the states to which the foundation reports or with which it is registered (see instructions)				
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		No
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		No
10		Did any persons become substantial contributors during the tax year? If "Yes," attach a schedule listing their names and addresses.		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	Yes	
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? Website address  N/A	13	Yes	
14	The books are in care of  THE ORGANIZATION Telephone no  (804) 643-4200 Located at  800 EAST CANAL STREET SUITE 1900 RICHMOND VA ZIP +4  23219			
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? 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 	16	Yes	No

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		No
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		No
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  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? (<i>Use Schedule C, Form 4720, to determine if the foundation had excess business holdings in 2014.</i>).	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

5b

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)?

Organizations relying on a current notice regarding disaster assistance check here.

6a

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).

6b

Did the foundation, during the year, receive any funds, directly or indirectly, to pay premiums on a personal benefit contract?

Yes No

Did the foundation, during the year, pay premiums, directly or indirectly, on a personal benefit contract?

Yes 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

7b

If yes, did the foundation receive any proceeds or have any net income attributable to the transaction?

Part VIII

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

1

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

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

2

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

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

Total

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

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
THE BOSTON CONSULTING GROUP INC	CONSULTING	52,750
300 NORTH LASALLE STREET		
CHICAGO,IL 60654		
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	
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	
2	
All other program-related investments See instructions	
3	
Total. Add lines 1 through 3	0

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	50,118,128
b	Average of monthly cash balances.	1b	19,785
c	Fair market value of all other assets (see instructions).	1c	234,140
d	Total (add lines 1a, b, and c).	1d	50,372,053
e	Reduction claimed for blockage or other factors reported on lines 1a and 1c (attach detailed explanation).	1e	0
2	Acquisition indebtedness applicable to line 1 assets.	2	0
3	Subtract line 2 from line 1d.	3	50,372,053
4	Cash deemed held for charitable activities Enter 1 1/2% of line 3 (for greater amount, see instructions).	4	755,581
5	Net value of noncharitable-use assets. Subtract line 4 from line 3 Enter here and on Part V, line 4	5	49,616,472
6	Minimum investment return. Enter 5% of line 5.	6	2,480,824

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	2,480,824
2a	Tax on investment income for 2014 from Part VI, line 5.	2a	66,736
b	Income tax for 2014 (This does not include the tax from Part VI).	2b	
c	Add lines 2a and 2b.	2c	66,736
3	Distributable amount before adjustments Subtract line 2c from line 1.	3	2,414,088
4	Recoveries of amounts treated as qualifying distributions.	4	0
5	Add lines 3 and 4.	5	2,414,088
6	Deduction from distributable amount (see instructions).	6	0
7	Distributable amount as adjusted Subtract line 6 from line 5 Enter here and on Part XIII, line 1.	7	2,414,088

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	2,366,534
b	Program-related investments—total from Part IX-B.	1b	0
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	2,366,534
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	0
6	Adjusted qualifying distributions. Subtract line 5 from line 4.	6	2,366,534
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				2,414,088
2 Undistributed income, if any, as of the end of 2014				
a Enter amount for 2013 only.			0	
b Total for prior years 20____, 20____, 20____		0		
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 ▶ \$ 2,366,534				
a Applied to 2013, but not more than line 2a			0	
b Applied to undistributed income of prior years (Election required—see instructions).		0		
c Treated as distributions out of corpus (Election required—see instructions).	0			
d Applied to 2014 distributable amount.				2,366,534
e Remaining amount distributed out of corpus	0			
5 Excess distributions carryover applied to 2014 (If an amount appears in column (d), the same amount must be shown in column (a).)	0			0
6 Enter the net total of each column as indicated below:				
a Corpus Add lines 3f, 4c, and 4e Subtract line 5	0			
b Prior years' undistributed income Subtract line 4b from line 2b.		0		
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.		0		
d Subtract line 6c from line 6b Taxable amount—see instructions		0		
e Undistributed income for 2013 Subtract line 4a from line 2a Taxable amount—see instructions			0	
f Undistributed income for 2014 Subtract lines 4d and 5 from line 1 This amount must be distributed in 2015				47,554
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).	0			
8 Excess distributions carryover from 2009 not applied on line 5 or line 7 (see instructions). . . .	0			
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 XIVPrivate Operating Foundations (see instructions and Part VII-A, question 9)

1a

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

b

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

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

1

Information Regarding Foundation Managers:

a

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

See Additional Data Table

b

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

2

Information Regarding Contribution, Grant, Gift, Loan, Scholarship, etc., Programs:

Check here ☒ if the foundation only makes contributions to preselected charitable organizations and does not accept unsolicited requests for funds If the foundation makes gifts, grants, etc (see instructions) to individuals or organizations under other conditions, complete items 2a, b, c, and d

a

The name, address, and telephone number or email address of the person to whom applications should be addressed

b

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

c

Any submission deadlines

d

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

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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	2,313,784
b Approved for future payment				
Total			3b	0

Enter gross amounts unless otherwise indicated

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

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Part XVII

d 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?		Yes	No
a Transfers from the reporting foundation to a noncharitable exempt organization of			
(1) Cash.		1a(1)	No
(2) Other assets.		1a(2)	No
b Other transactions			
(1) Sales of assets to a noncharitable exempt organization.		1b(1)	No
(2) Purchases of assets from a noncharitable exempt organization.		1b(2)	No
(3) Rental of facilities, equipment, or other assets.		1b(3)	No
(4) Reimbursement arrangements.		1b(4)	No
(5) Loans or loan guarantees.		1b(5)	No
(6) Performance of services or membership or fundraising solicitations.		1b(6)	No
c Sharing of facilities, equipment, mailing lists, other assets, or paid employees.		1c	No
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			

[illegible]

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
COMMONWEALTH FOUNDATION I (EIN 62-668516)	509(A)	COMMON DIRECTORS
COMMONWEALTH FOUNDATION II (EIN 62-668517)	509(A)	COMMON DIRECTORS
COMMONWEALTH FOUNDATION IV (EIN 62-668519)	509(A)	COMMON DIRECTORS
COMMONWEALTH FOUNDATION V (EIN 62-668521)	509(A)	COMMON DIRECTORS
COMMONWEALTH FOUNDATIONS (EIN 46-103846)	509(A)	COMMON DIRECTORS

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.

Signature Signature of officer or trustee	Date	Title Title
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May the IRS discuss this return with the preparer shown below (see instr)? ☒ Yes ☐ No

Paid Preparer Use Only	Print/Type preparer's name TIMOTHY G BENUSA	Preparer's Signature	Date	Check if self-employed ☒	PTIN P00581123
	Firm's name ☒ TIMOTHY G BENUSA & ASSOCIATES CPA			Firm's EIN ☒	
	Firm's address ☒ 690 HUGUENOT TRAIL RD MIDLOTHIAN, VA 23113			Phone no (804) 897-4583	

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

(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
CLIFFORD A CUTCHINS IV	DIRECTOR, SECRETARY 0 10	0	0	0
800 E CANAL ST STE 1900 RICHMOND, VA 23219				
E BRYSON POWELL	DIRECTOR 0 10	0	0	0
212 RANDOLPH SQUARE LN RICHMOND, VA 23233				
JOHN L MCELROY JR	DIRECTOR 0 10	0	0	0
921 DOVER FARM RD MANAKINSABOT, VA 23103				
WILLIAM H GOODWIN JR	DIRECTOR, PRESIDENT/TREASURER 0 10	0	0	0
800 E CANAL ST STE 1900 RICHMOND, VA 23219				
ALICE T GOODWIN	DIRECTOR 0 10	0	0	0
800 E CANAL ST STE 1900 RICHMOND, VA 23219				

Form 990PF Part XV Line 1a - 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).

WILLIAM H GOODWIN JR
ALICE T GOODWIN

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 Paid during the year				
AMERICAN HEART ASSOCIATION 4217 PARK PLACE COURT RICHMOND,VA 23060	NONE	PC	GENERAL SUPPORT	1,000
AMERICAN RED CROSS 420 EAST CARY STREET RICHMOND,VA 23219	NONE	PC	GENERAL SUPPORT	1,000
BOY SCOUTS HEART OF VA COUNCIL 4015 FITZHUGH AVENUE RICHMOND,VA 23230	NONE	PC	GENERAL SUPPORT-EAGLE SOCIETY	1,500
CHESTERFIELD COUNTY PO BOX 26585 RICHMOND,VA 23285	NONE	GOV	BLACK HISTORY MONTH PROGRAMS	100
COMMONWEALTH FOUNDATIONS 800 E CANAL ST STE 1900 RICHMOND,VA 23219	BOROTHER/SISTER AFFILIATE	PF, 509(A)	TO FUND THE CHARITABLE PURPOSES OF THE FOUNDATION	2,268,604
FAISON SCHOOL FOR AUTISM 1701 BYRD AVENUE RICHMOND,VA 23230	NONE	PC	GENERAL SUPPORT	200
HILTON HEAD HEROS 6 RED MAPLE ROAD HILTON HEAD,SC 29929	NONE	PC	GENERAL SUPPORT	1,400
JUNIOR ACHIEVEMENT 4600 COX ROAD STE 107 RICHMOND,VA 23060	NONE	PC	GENERAL SUPPORT	1,000
KENAN FLAGLER BUSINESS SCHOOL FOUNDATION THE KENAN CENTER CB 3440 CHAPEL HILL,NC 27599	NONE	PC	GENERAL SUPPORT	16,000
MASSEY CANCER CENTER P O BOX 980037 RICHMOND,VA 23298	NONE	PC	GENERAL SUPPORT	500
METRO RICHMOND SPORTS BACKERS 100 AVENUE OF CHAMPIONS STE 300 RICHMOND,VA 23230	NONE	PC	GENERAL SUPPORT	1,600
ROANOKE CATHOLIC SCHOOL 621 NORTH JEFFERSON STREET ROANOKE,VA 24016	NONE	PC	GENERAL SUPPORT	10,760
ST STEPHEN'S CHURCH 6000 GROVE AVENUE RICHMOND,VA 23226	NONE	PC	GENERAL SUPPORT	2,428
THE VIRGINIA HOME 1101 HAMPTON STREET RICHMOND,VA 23220	NONE	PC	GENERAL SUPPORT	5,780
UVA FUND P O BOX 400314 CHARLOTTESVILLE,VA 22904	NONE	PC	RAVEN SOCIETY	400
Total  3a				2,313,784

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Name and address (home or business)				
a <i>Paid during the year</i>				
VA FOUNDATION FOR INDEPENDENT COLLEGES 8010 RIDGE ROAD SUITE B RICHMOND,VA 23229	NONE	PC	GENERAL SUPPORT	500
VIRGINIA ATHLETICS FOUNDATION PO BOX 400833 CHARLOTTESVILLE,VA 22904	NONE	PC	GENERAL SUPPORT	1,012
Total  3a				2,313,784

TY 2014 Accounting Fees Schedule

Name: COMMONWEALTH FOUNDATION III

EIN: 62-1668518

Category	Amount	Net Investment Income	Adjusted Net Income	Disbursements for Charitable Purposes
ACCOUNTING	1,780	1,780		0

TY 2014 Explanation of Non-Filing with Attorney General Statement

Name: COMMONWEALTH FOUNDATION III

EIN: 62-1668518

Statement: VA CODE 57-49 REQUIRES NONPROFIT REGISTRATION/ANNUAL FILING WITH THE ATTORNEY GENERAL ONLY IF THE NONPROFIT WILL SOLICIT CONTRIBUTIONS IN VIRGINIA. COMMONWEALTH FOUNDATION III DOES NOT SOLICIT CONTRIBUTIONS BY ANY MEANS IN ANY STATE, AND IS NOT REQUIRED TO FILE ITS FORM 990-PF WITH THE VA ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE.

TY 2014 General Explanation Attachment**Name:** COMMONWEALTH FOUNDATION III**EIN:** 62-1668518

Identifier	Return Reference	Explanation
	FORM 990-PF, PAGE 1, QUESTION G	COMMONWEALTH FOUNDATION III OPERATED AS A TYPE III SUPPORTING ORGANIZATION TO A SEC 501(C) (3) PUBLIC CHARITY PRIOR TO 2014, AND FILED FORM 990 EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1 2014, COMMONWEALTH FOUNDATION III BECAME A NONOPERATING PRIVATE FOUNDATION

Identifier	Return Reference	Explanation
	FORM 990-PF, PAGE 11, LINE 3A	DURING 2014, THE TAXPAYER MADE GRANTS TOTALING \$2,268,604 TO COMMONWEALTH FOUNDATIONS, A US NON-OPERATING PRIVATE FOUNDATION DURING ITS TAX YEAR ENDED 12/31/14 (AND BEFORE MARCH 15, 2015), COMMONWEALTH FOUNDATIONS MADE QUALIFYING DISTRIBUTIONS OUT OF CORPUS EQUAL TO THE \$2,268,604 IN GRANTS IT RECEIVED FROM THE TAXPAYER THE TAXPAYER HAS OBTAINED RECORDS AND OTHER EVIDENCE SHOWING THE COMMONWEALTH FOUNDATIONS MADE SUCH QUALIFYING DISTRIBUTIONS ACCORDINGLY, UNDER THE "TWELVE-MONTH PASS-THROUGH" RULE CONTAINED IN IRC SEC 4942(G)(3), THE TAXPAYER HAS TREATED SUCH GRANTS AS QUALIFYING DISTRIBUTIONS WHICH WERE INCLUDED IN PART XV, LINE 3A

TY 2014 Investments - Other Schedule**Name:** COMMONWEALTH FOUNDATION III**EIN:** 62-1668518

Category / Item	Listed at Cost or FMV	Book Value	End of Year Fair Market Value
EQUITY INVESTMENT IN PARTNERSHIP	AT COST	19,425,482	49,662,233

TY 2014 Legal Fees Schedule

Name: COMMONWEALTH FOUNDATION III

EIN: 62-1668518

Category	Amount	Net Investment Income	Adjusted Net Income	Disbursements for Charitable Purposes
LEGAL	1,192	1,192		0

TY 2014 Other Expenses Schedule

Name: COMMONWEALTH FOUNDATION III

EIN: 62-1668518

Description	Revenue and Expenses per Books	Net Investment Income	Adjusted Net Income	Disbursements for Charitable Purposes
MISCELLANEOUS	225	225		0
PARTNERSHIP K-1 INVESTMENT EXPENSES	0	226,866		0

TY 2014 Other Income Schedule

Name: COMMONWEALTH FOUNDATION III

EIN: 62-1668518

Description	Revenue And Expenses Per Books	Net Investment Income	Adjusted Net Income
PARTNERSHIP K-1 DIVIDENDS	3,379,959	0	3,379,959

TY 2014 Other Professional Fees Schedule

Name: COMMONWEALTH FOUNDATION III

EIN: 62-1668518

Category	Amount	Net Investment Income	Adjusted Net Income	Disbursements for Charitable Purposes
CONSULTING	52,750	0		52,750

TY 2014 Taxes Schedule**Name:** COMMONWEALTH FOUNDATION III**EIN:** 62-1668518

Category	Amount	Net Investment Income	Adjusted Net Income	Disbursements for Charitable Purposes
FORM 990-PF EXCISE TAX	40,000	40,000		0
PARTNERSHIP K-1 FOREIGN TAXES	0	5,128		0

TY 2014

TransfersFrmControlledEntities

Name: COMMONWEALTH FOUNDATION III

EIN: 62-1668518

Name	US / Foreign Address	EIN	Description	Amount
COMMONWEALTH FOUNDATIONS GP	800 E CANAL ST STE 1900 RI, VA 23219	54-1856257	CASH DISTRIBUTION]	2,363,000
Total				2,363,000