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Form **990**
 Department of the Treasury
 Internal Revenue Service

Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

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

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A For the 2014 calendar year, or tax year beginning 06-01-2014, and ending 05-31-2015

B Check if applicable: <input type="checkbox"/> Address change <input type="checkbox"/> Name change <input type="checkbox"/> Initial return <input type="checkbox"/> Final return/terminated <input type="checkbox"/> Amended return <input type="checkbox"/> Application pending	C Name of organization INDEPENDENT PROFESSIONAL SEED ASSOCIATION Doing business as Number and street (or P O box if mail is not delivered to street address) Room/suite 2504 ALEXANDER DRIVE BOX 139 City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code JONESBORO, AR 72401	D Employer identification number 36-3652987 E Telephone number (910) 546-6900 G Gross receipts \$ 1,223,457
F Name and address of principal officer		H(a) Is this a group return for subordinates? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No H(b) Are all subordinates included? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No If "No," attach a list (see instructions) H(c) Group exemption number ▶
I Tax-exempt status <input type="checkbox"/> 501(c)(3) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 501(c)(6) (insert no) <input type="checkbox"/> 4947(a)(1) or <input type="checkbox"/> 527		
J Website: ▶ www.independentseeds.com		
K Form of organization <input type="checkbox"/> Corporation <input type="checkbox"/> Trust <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Association <input type="checkbox"/> Other ▶		L Year of formation 1989 M State of legal domicile IL

Part I Summary

1	Briefly describe the organization's mission or most significant activities IDENTIFY PROBLEMS COMMON TO SEED CORN COMPANIES AND TO ADDRESS THOSE PROBLEMS AS A GROUP		
	2 Check this box <input type="checkbox"/> if the organization discontinued its operations or disposed of more than 25% of its net assets		
Activities & Governance	3 Number of voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1a)	3	9
	4 Number of independent voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1b)	4	9
	5 Total number of individuals employed in calendar year 2014 (Part V, line 2a)	5	0
	6 Total number of volunteers (estimate if necessary)	6	
	7a Total unrelated business revenue from Part VIII, column (C), line 12	7a	40,000
	b Net unrelated business taxable income from Form 990-T, line 34	7b	3,234
Revenue	8 Contributions and grants (Part VIII, line 1h)	Prior Year	Current Year
	9 Program service revenue (Part VIII, line 2g)	156,780	168,475
	10 Investment income (Part VIII, column (A), lines 3, 4, and 7d)	208,500	208,023
	11 Other revenue (Part VIII, column (A), lines 5, 6d, 8c, 9c, 10c, and 11e)	18,991	43,342
	12 Total revenue—add lines 8 through 11 (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	288,950	371,700
		673,221	791,540
Expenses	13 Grants and similar amounts paid (Part IX, column (A), lines 1-3)		0
	14 Benefits paid to or for members (Part IX, column (A), line 4)		0
	15 Salaries, other compensation, employee benefits (Part IX, column (A), lines 5-10)	6,000	0
	16a Professional fundraising fees (Part IX, column (A), line 11e)		0
	b Total fundraising expenses (Part IX, column (D), line 25) ▶ 0		
	17 Other expenses (Part IX, column (A), lines 11a-11d, 11f-24e)	551,135	764,268
18 Total expenses Add lines 13-17 (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	557,135	764,268	
19 Revenue less expenses Subtract line 18 from line 12	116,086	27,272	
Net Assets or Fund Balances	20 Total assets (Part X, line 16)	Beginning of Current Year	End of Year
	21 Total liabilities (Part X, line 26)	720,570	672,443
	22 Net assets or fund balances Subtract line 21 from line 20	157,850	95,564
	562,720	576,879	

Part II Signature Block

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

Sign Here	***** Signature of officer	2015-10-12 Date
	TODD MARTIN CEO Type or print name and title	

Paid Preparer Use Only	Print/Type preparer's name Brian J Goracke CPA	Preparer's signature Brian J Goracke CPA	Date	Check <input type="checkbox"/> if self-employed	PTIN P01013449
	Firm's name ▶ Goracke & Associates PC			Firm's EIN ▶	
	Firm's address ▶ 12110 PORT GRACE BLVD STE 100 La Vista, NE 68128			Phone no (402) 330-1200	

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

Part III Statement of Program Service Accomplishments

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part III

1 Briefly describe the organization's mission

IDENTIFY PROBLEMS COMMON TO SEED CORN COMPANIES AND TO ADDRESS THOSE PROBLEMS AS A GROUP

2 Did the organization undertake any significant program services during the year which were not listed on the prior Form 990 or 990-EZ? Yes No

If "Yes," describe these new services on Schedule O

3 Did the organization cease conducting, or make significant changes in how it conducts, any program services? Yes No

If "Yes," describe these changes on Schedule O

4 Describe the organization's program service accomplishments for each of its three largest program services, as measured by expenses Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations are required to report the amount of grants and allocations to others, the total expenses, and revenue, if any, for each program service reported

4a (Code) (Expenses \$ including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)
ORGANIZATION PROVIDES FORUM FOR GENETICS RESEARCH INDEPENDENT PRODUCERS ADDRESS PROBLEMS WITH SEED VARIETIES AND PROPOSE CORRECTIVE ACTION THROUGH GENETICS RESEARCH

4b (Code) (Expenses \$ including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)
PROVIDE EDUCATION AND TRAINING MATERIALS REGARDING SEED GENETICS

4c (Code) (Expenses \$ including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)

4d Other program services (Describe in Schedule O)
(Expenses \$ including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)

4e Total program service expenses

Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules

		Yes	No
1	Is the organization described in section 501(c)(3) or 4947(a)(1) (other than a private foundation)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule A</i>		No
2	Is the organization required to complete <i>Schedule B, Schedule of Contributors</i> (see instructions)? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Yes	
3	Did the organization engage in direct or indirect political campaign activities on behalf of or in opposition to candidates for public office? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part I</i>		No
4	Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Did the organization engage in lobbying activities, or have a section 501(h) election in effect during the tax year? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part II</i>		No
5	Is the organization a section 501(c)(4), 501(c)(5), or 501(c)(6) organization that receives membership dues, assessments, or similar amounts as defined in Revenue Procedure 98-19? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part III</i>		No
6	Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds or any similar funds or accounts for which donors have the right to provide advice on the distribution or investment of amounts in such funds or accounts? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part I</i> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		No
7	Did the organization receive or hold a conservation easement, including easements to preserve open space, the environment, historic land areas, or historic structures? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part II</i> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		No
8	Did the organization maintain collections of works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part III</i> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		No
9	Did the organization report an amount in Part X, line 21 for escrow or custodial account liability, serve as a custodian for amounts not listed in Part X, or provide credit counseling, debt management, credit repair, or debt negotiation services? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part IV</i> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		No
10	Did the organization, directly or through a related organization, hold assets in temporarily restricted endowments, permanent endowments, or quasi-endowments? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part V</i> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		No
11	If the organization's answer to any of the following questions is "Yes," then complete Schedule D, Parts VI, VII, VIII, IX, or X as applicable		
a	Did the organization report an amount for land, buildings, and equipment in Part X, line 10? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VI</i> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Yes	
b	Did the organization report an amount for investments—other securities in Part X, line 12 that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VII</i> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		No
c	Did the organization report an amount for investments—program related in Part X, line 13 that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VIII</i> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		No
d	Did the organization report an amount for other assets in Part X, line 15 that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part IX</i> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		No
e	Did the organization report an amount for other liabilities in Part X, line 25? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X</i> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		No
f	Did the organization's separate or consolidated financial statements for the tax year include a footnote that addresses the organization's liability for uncertain tax positions under FIN 48 (ASC 740)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X</i> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Yes	
12a	Did the organization obtain separate, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Parts XI and XII</i> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Yes	
b	Was the organization included in consolidated, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? <i>If "Yes," and if the organization answered "No" to line 12a, then completing Schedule D, Parts XI and XII is optional</i> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		No
13	Is the organization a school described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule E</i>		No
14a	Did the organization maintain an office, employees, or agents outside of the United States?		No
b	Did the organization have aggregate revenues or expenses of more than \$10,000 from grantmaking, fundraising, business, investment, and program service activities outside the United States, or aggregate foreign investments valued at \$100,000 or more? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts I and IV</i>		No
15	Did the organization report on Part IX, column (A), line 3, more than \$5,000 of grants or other assistance to or for any foreign organization? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts II and IV</i>		No
16	Did the organization report on Part IX, column (A), line 3, more than \$5,000 of aggregate grants or other assistance to or for foreign individuals? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts III and IV</i>		No
17	Did the organization report a total of more than \$15,000 of expenses for professional fundraising services on Part IX, column (A), lines 6 and 11e? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part I</i> (see instructions)		No
18	Did the organization report more than \$15,000 total of fundraising event gross income and contributions on Part VIII, lines 1c and 8a? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part II</i>		No
19	Did the organization report more than \$15,000 of gross income from gaming activities on Part VIII, line 9a? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part III</i>		No
20a	Did the organization operate one or more hospital facilities? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule H</i>		No
b	If "Yes" to line 20a, did the organization attach a copy of its audited financial statements to this return?		

Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules *(continued)*

21	Did the organization report more than \$5,000 of grants or other assistance to any domestic organization or domestic government on Part IX, column (A), line 1? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and II . . .</i>	21		No
22	Did the organization report more than \$5,000 of grants or other assistance to or for domestic individuals on Part IX, column (A), line 2? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and III . . .</i>	22		No
23	Did the organization answer "Yes" to Part VII, Section A, line 3, 4, or 5 about compensation of the organization's current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, and highest compensated employees? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J . . .</i>	23	Yes	
24a	Did the organization have a tax-exempt bond issue with an outstanding principal amount of more than \$100,000 as of the last day of the year, that was issued after December 31, 2002? <i>If "Yes," answer lines 24b through 24d and complete Schedule K. If "No," go to line 25a . . .</i>	24a		No
b	Did the organization invest any proceeds of tax-exempt bonds beyond a temporary period exception? . . .	24b		No
c	Did the organization maintain an escrow account other than a refunding escrow at any time during the year to defease any tax-exempt bonds? . . .	24c		No
d	Did the organization act as an "on behalf of" issuer for bonds outstanding at any time during the year? . . .	24d		No
25a	Section 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations. Did the organization engage in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person during the year? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I . . .</i>	25a		No
b	Is the organization aware that it engaged in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person in a prior year, and that the transaction has not been reported on any of the organization's prior Forms 990 or 990-EZ? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I . . .</i>	25b		No
26	Did the organization report any amount on Part X, line 5, 6, or 22 for receivables from or payables to any current or former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, highest compensated employees, or disqualified persons? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part II . . .</i>	26		No
27	Did the organization provide a grant or other assistance to an officer, director, trustee, key employee, substantial contributor or employee thereof, a grant selection committee member, or to a 35% controlled entity or family member of any of these persons? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part III . . .</i>	27		No
28	Was the organization a party to a business transaction with one of the following parties (see Schedule L, Part IV instructions for applicable filing thresholds, conditions, and exceptions)			
a	A current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV . . .</i>	28a		No
b	A family member of a current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV . . .</i>	28b		No
c	An entity of which a current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee (or a family member thereof) was an officer, director, trustee, or direct or indirect owner? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV . . .</i>	28c		No
29	Did the organization receive more than \$25,000 in non-cash contributions? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule M . . .</i>	29		No
30	Did the organization receive contributions of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets, or qualified conservation contributions? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule M . . .</i>	30		No
31	Did the organization liquidate, terminate, or dissolve and cease operations? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part I . . .</i>	31		No
32	Did the organization sell, exchange, dispose of, or transfer more than 25% of its net assets? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part II . . .</i>	32		No
33	Did the organization own 100% of an entity disregarded as separate from the organization under Regulations sections 301.7701-2 and 301.7701-3? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part I . . .</i>	33		No
34	Was the organization related to any tax-exempt or taxable entity? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part II, III, or IV, and Part V, line 1 . . .</i>	34		No
35a	Did the organization have a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)?	35a		No
b	If "Yes" to line 35a, did the organization receive any payment from or engage in any transaction with a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2 . . .</i>	35b		No
36	Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2 . . .</i>	36		No
37	Did the organization conduct more than 5% of its activities through an entity that is not a related organization and that is treated as a partnership for federal income tax purposes? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part VI . . .</i>	37		No
38	Did the organization complete Schedule O and provide explanations in Schedule O for Part VI, lines 11b and 19? Note. All Form 990 filers are required to complete Schedule O . . .	38	Yes	

Part V Statements Regarding Other IRS Filings and Tax Compliance

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part V

Table with columns for question numbers (1a-14b), descriptions, and Yes/No columns. Includes questions about Form 1096, Form W-2G, Form W-3, federal employment tax returns, Form 990-T, Form 8886-T, Form 8282, Form 8899, Form 1098-C, Form 990, Form 720, and Form 709.

Part VI Governance, Management, and Disclosure For each "Yes" response to lines 2 through 7b below, and for a "No" response to lines 8a, 8b, or 10b below, describe the circumstances, processes, or changes in Schedule O. See instructions.

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part VI [X]

Section A. Governing Body and Management

Table with 3 columns: Question, Yes, No. Rows include: 1a (9), 1b (9), 2 (No), 3 (Yes), 4 (No), 5 (No), 6 (No), 7a (No), 7b (No), 8a (Yes), 8b (No), 9 (No).

Section B. Policies (This Section B requests information about policies not required by the Internal Revenue Code.)

Table with 3 columns: Question, Yes, No. Rows include: 10a (No), 10b, 11a (Yes), 11b, 12a (Yes), 12b (Yes), 12c (Yes), 13 (Yes), 14 (Yes), 15a (Yes), 15b (Yes), 16a (No), 16b.

Section C. Disclosure

- 17 List the States with which a copy of this Form 990 is required to be filed
18 Section 6104 requires an organization to make its Form 1023 (or 1024 if applicable), 990, and 990-T (501(c) (3)s only) available for public inspection
19 Describe in Schedule O whether (and if so, how) the organization made its governing documents, conflict of interest policy, and financial statements available to the public during the tax year
20 State the name, address, and telephone number of the person who possesses the organization's books and records

Part VII Compensation of Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, Highest Compensated Employees, and Independent Contractors

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part VII

Section A. Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees

1a Complete this table for all persons required to be listed Report compensation for the calendar year ending with or within the organization's tax year

• List all of the organization's **current** officers, directors, trustees (whether individuals or organizations), regardless of amount of compensation Enter -0- in columns (D), (E), and (F) if no compensation was paid

• List all of the organization's **current** key employees, if any See instructions for definition of "key employee "

• List the organization's five **current** highest compensated employees (other than an officer, director, trustee or key employee) who received reportable compensation (Box 5 of Form W-2 and/or Box 7 of Form 1099-MISC) of more than \$100,000 from the organization and any related organizations

• List all of the organization's **former** officers, key employees, or highest compensated employees who received more than \$100,000 of reportable compensation from the organization and any related organizations

• List all of the organization's **former directors or trustees** that received, in the capacity as a former director or trustee of the organization, more than \$10,000 of reportable compensation from the organization and any related organizations

List persons in the following order individual trustees or directors, institutional trustees, officers, key employees, highest compensated employees, and former such persons

Check this box if neither the organization nor any related organization compensated any current officer, director, or trustee

(A) Name and Title	(B) Average hours per week (list any hours for related organizations below dotted line)	(C) Position (do not check more than one box, unless person is both an officer and a director/trustee)						(D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W- 2/1099-MISC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W- 2/1099-MISC)	(F) Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations
		Individual trustee or director	Institutional Trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former			
(1) TERRY SCHULTZ President	0 00 0 00	X		X				0	0	0
(2) BRETT HODNEFIELD Director	0 00 0 00	X		X				0	0	0
(3) JOHN LARIMER Treasurer	0 00 0 00	X		X				0	0	0
(4) RANDY WILKEN Vice President	0 00 0 00	X		X				0	0	0
(5) SHANE OHLDE Director	0 00 0 00	X		X				0	0	0
(6) MARK DENZLER Director	0 00 0 00	X		X				0	0	0
(7) CHRISTINE VARNER Vice President	0 00 0 00	X						0	0	0
(8) TIM BRATLAND Secretary	0 00 0 00	X		X				0	0	0
(9) JEFF MEINTS Director	0 00 0 00	X		X				0	0	0
(10) TODD MARTIN CEO	40 00 0 00			X				0	0	0
(11) GREG RUEHLE CEO	40 00 0 00						X	0	0	0

Part VII Section A. Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees (continued)

(A) Name and Title	(B) Average hours per week (list any hours for related organizations below dotted line)	(C) Position (do not check more than one box, unless person is both an officer and a director/trustee)					(D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W-2/1099-MISC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W-2/1099-MISC)	(F) Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations
		Individual trustee or director	Institutional Trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee			

1b Sub-Total			
c Total from continuation sheets to Part VII, Section A			
d Total (add lines 1b and 1c)			

2 Total number of individuals (including but not limited to those listed above) who received more than \$100,000 of reportable compensation from the organization **▶** 0

	Yes	No
3 Did the organization list any former officer, director or trustee, key employee, or highest compensated employee on line 1a? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual</i>	3 Yes	
4 For any individual listed on line 1a, is the sum of reportable compensation and other compensation from the organization and related organizations greater than \$150,000? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual</i>	4	No
5 Did any person listed on line 1a receive or accrue compensation from any unrelated organization or individual for services rendered to the organization? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such person</i>	5	No

Section B. Independent Contractors

1 Complete this table for your five highest compensated independent contractors that received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization Report compensation for the calendar year ending with or within the organization's tax year

(A) Name and business address	(B) Description of services	(C) Compensation
G RUEHLE CONSULTING INC PO BOX 24312 OMAHA, NE 68124	CEO	157,885
MARCO SERVICES LLC 2504 ALEXANDER DRIVE BOX 139 JONESBORO, AR 72401	CEO	48,750

2 Total number of independent contractors (including but not limited to those listed above) who received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization **▶** 1

Part VIII Statement of Revenue

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part VIII

			(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	
			Total revenue	Related or exempt function revenue	Unrelated business revenue	Revenue excluded from tax under sections 512-514	
Contributions, Gifts, Grants and Other Similar Amounts	1a	Federated campaigns 1a					
	b	Membership dues 1b	160,275				
	c	Fundraising events 1c					
	d	Related organizations 1d					
	e	Government grants (contributions) 1e					
	f	All other contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts not included above 1f	8,200				
	g	Noncash contributions included in lines 1a-1f \$					
	h	Total. Add lines 1a-1f	168,475				
Program Service Revenue	2a	Meetings and Seminars	208,023	208,023			
	b						
	c						
	d						
	e						
	f	All other program service revenue					
	g	Total. Add lines 2a-2f	208,023				
Other Revenue	3	Investment income (including dividends, interest, and other similar amounts)	11,425			11,425	
	4	Income from investment of tax-exempt bond proceeds	0				
	5	Royalties	0				
	6a	Gross rents	(i) Real				
			(ii) Personal				
			b Less rental expenses				
			c Rental income or (loss)				
	d	Net rental income or (loss)	0				
	7a	Gross amount from sales of assets other than inventory	(i) Securities	463,834			
			(ii) Other				
			b Less cost or other basis and sales expenses	431,917			
			c Gain or (loss)	31,917			
	d	Net gain or (loss)	31,917			31,917	
	8a	Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ _____ of contributions reported on line 1c) See Part IV, line 18					
	b	Less direct expenses b					
c	Net income or (loss) from fundraising events	0					
9a	Gross income from gaming activities See Part IV, line 19						
b	Less direct expenses b						
c	Net income or (loss) from gaming activities	0					
10a	Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances	a					
		b Less cost of goods sold b					
		c Net income or (loss) from sales of inventory	0				
	Miscellaneous Revenue	Business Code					
11a	PROJECT CONTRIBUTIONS		311,400			311,400	
b	TRAINING PROGRAMS		20,300	20,300			
c	WEBSITE ADVERTISING		40,000		40,000		
d	All other revenue						
e	Total. Add lines 11a-11d		371,700				
12	Total revenue. See Instructions		791,540	228,323	40,000	354,742	

Part IX Statement of Functional Expenses

Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations must complete all columns. All other organizations must complete column (A)

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part IX

Do not include amounts reported on lines 6b, 7b, 8b, 9b, and 10b of Part VIII.		(A) Total expenses	(B) Program service expenses	(C) Management and general expenses	(D) Fundraising expenses
1	Grants and other assistance to domestic organizations and domestic governments. See Part IV, line 21	0			
2	Grants and other assistance to domestic individuals. See Part IV, line 22	0			
3	Grants and other assistance to foreign organizations, foreign governments, and foreign individuals. See Part IV, lines 15 and 16	0			
4	Benefits paid to or for members	0			
5	Compensation of current officers, directors, trustees, and key employees	0			
6	Compensation not included above, to disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)) and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B)	0			
7	Other salaries and wages	0			
8	Pension plan accruals and contributions (include section 401(k) and 403(b) employer contributions)	0			
9	Other employee benefits	0			
10	Payroll taxes	0			
11	Fees for services (non-employees)				
a	Management	206,634			
b	Legal	379			
c	Accounting	5,777			
d	Lobbying	0			
e	Professional fundraising services. See Part IV, line 17	0			
f	Investment management fees	6,477			
g	Other (If line 11g amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A) amount, list line 11g expenses on Schedule O)	0			
12	Advertising and promotion	3,995			
13	Office expenses	3,137			
14	Information technology	13,767			
15	Royalties	0			
16	Occupancy	0			
17	Travel	25,406			
18	Payments of travel or entertainment expenses for any federal, state, or local public officials	0			
19	Conferences, conventions, and meetings	137,077			
20	Interest	0			
21	Payments to affiliates	0			
22	Depreciation, depletion, and amortization	0			
23	Insurance	1,206			
24	Other expenses. Itemize expenses not covered above (List miscellaneous expenses in line 24e. If line 24e amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A) amount, list line 24e expenses on Schedule O)				
a	PROJECT COSTS	342,418			
b	NEWSLETTER	6,739			
c	SCHOLARSHIPS	6,671			
d	BANK CHARGES	1,809			
e	All other expenses	2,776			
25	Total functional expenses. Add lines 1 through 24e	764,268	0	0	0
26	Joint costs. Complete this line only if the organization reported in column (B) joint costs from a combined educational campaign and fundraising solicitation. Check here <input type="checkbox"/> if following SOP 98-2 (ASC 958-720)				

Part X Balance Sheet

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part X

		(A)		(B)
		Beginning of year		End of year
Assets	1 Cash—non-interest-bearing	178,961	1	95,949
	2 Savings and temporary cash investments		2	0
	3 Pledges and grants receivable, net		3	0
	4 Accounts receivable, net	6,750	4	22,750
	5 Loans and other receivables from current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, and highest compensated employees Complete Part II of Schedule L		5	0
	6 Loans and other receivables from other disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)), persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B), and contributing employers and sponsoring organizations of section 501(c)(9) voluntary employees' beneficiary organizations (see instructions) Complete Part II of Schedule L		6	0
	7 Notes and loans receivable, net		7	0
	8 Inventories for sale or use		8	0
	9 Prepaid expenses and deferred charges	4,980	9	115
	10a Land, buildings, and equipment cost or other basis Complete Part VI of Schedule D	10a 1,170		
	b Less accumulated depreciation	10b 1,170	10c	0
	11 Investments—publicly traded securities	529,878	11	553,629
	12 Investments—other securities See Part IV, line 11		12	0
	13 Investments—program-related See Part IV, line 11		13	0
	14 Intangible assets		14	0
	15 Other assets See Part IV, line 11	1	15	0
16 Total assets. Add lines 1 through 15 (must equal line 34)	720,570	16	672,443	
Liabilities	17 Accounts payable and accrued expenses		17	83,814
	18 Grants payable		18	
	19 Deferred revenue	157,850	19	11,750
	20 Tax-exempt bond liabilities		20	
	21 Escrow or custodial account liability Complete Part IV of Schedule D		21	
	22 Loans and other payables to current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, highest compensated employees, and disqualified persons Complete Part II of Schedule L		22	
	23 Secured mortgages and notes payable to unrelated third parties		23	
	24 Unsecured notes and loans payable to unrelated third parties		24	
	25 Other liabilities (including federal income tax, payables to related third parties, and other liabilities not included on lines 17-24) Complete Part X of Schedule D		25	
	26 Total liabilities. Add lines 17 through 25	157,850	26	95,564
Net Assets or Fund Balances	Organizations that follow SFAS 117 (ASC 958), check here <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 27 through 29, and lines 33 and 34.			
	27 Unrestricted net assets	562,720	27	576,879
	28 Temporarily restricted net assets		28	
	29 Permanently restricted net assets		29	
	Organizations that do not follow SFAS 117 (ASC 958), check here <input type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 30 through 34.			
	30 Capital stock or trust principal, or current funds		30	
	31 Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, building or equipment fund		31	
	32 Retained earnings, endowment, accumulated income, or other funds		32	
33 Total net assets or fund balances	562,720	33	576,879	
34 Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances	720,570	34	672,443	

Part XI Reconciliation of Net Assets

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part XI

1	Total revenue (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	1	791,540
2	Total expenses (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	2	764,268
3	Revenue less expenses Subtract line 2 from line 1	3	27,272
4	Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (must equal Part X, line 33, column (A))	4	562,720
5	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	5	-13,113
6	Donated services and use of facilities	6	
7	Investment expenses	7	
8	Prior period adjustments	8	
9	Other changes in net assets or fund balances (explain in Schedule O)	9	
10	Net assets or fund balances at end of year Combine lines 3 through 9 (must equal Part X, line 33, column (B))	10	576,879

Part XII Financial Statements and Reporting

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part XII

		Yes	No
1	Accounting method used to prepare the Form 990 <input type="checkbox"/> Cash <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Accrual <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ If the organization changed its method of accounting from a prior year or checked "Other," explain in Schedule O		
2a	Were the organization's financial statements compiled or reviewed by an independent accountant? If "Yes," check a box below to indicate whether the financial statements for the year were compiled or reviewed on a separate basis, consolidated basis, or both <input type="checkbox"/> Separate basis <input type="checkbox"/> Consolidated basis <input type="checkbox"/> Both consolidated and separate basis		No
2b	Were the organization's financial statements audited by an independent accountant? If "Yes," check a box below to indicate whether the financial statements for the year were audited on a separate basis, consolidated basis, or both <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Separate basis <input type="checkbox"/> Consolidated basis <input type="checkbox"/> Both consolidated and separate basis	Yes	
2c	If "Yes," to line 2a or 2b, does the organization have a committee that assumes responsibility for oversight of the audit, review, or compilation of its financial statements and selection of an independent accountant? If the organization changed either its oversight process or selection process during the tax year, explain in Schedule O	Yes	
3a	As a result of a federal award, was the organization required to undergo an audit or audits as set forth in the Single Audit Act and OMB Circular A-133?		No
3b	If "Yes," did the organization undergo the required audit or audits? If the organization did not undergo the required audit or audits, explain why in Schedule O and describe any steps taken to undergo such audits		

SCHEDULE D (Form 990)

Supplemental Financial Statements

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Complete if the organization answered "Yes," to Form 990, Part IV, line 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11a, 11b, 11c, 11d, 11e, 11f, 12a, or 12b. Attach to Form 990.

Information about Schedule D (Form 990) and its instructions is at www.irs.gov/form990.

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Name of the organization INDEPENDENT PROFESSIONAL SEED ASSOCIATION

Employer identification number 36-3652987

Part I Organizations Maintaining Donor Advised Funds or Other Similar Funds or Accounts. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 6.

Table with 2 columns: (a) Donor advised funds, (b) Funds and other accounts. Rows include total number at end of year, aggregate value of contributions, grants, and end of year, and questions about donor informed consent.

Part II Conservation Easements. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 7.

Form for Part II Conservation Easements including checkboxes for preservation purposes, questions about monitoring, and a table for 'Held at the End of the Year' with rows 2a-2d.

Part III Organizations Maintaining Collections of Art, Historical Treasures, or Other Similar Assets. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 8.

Form for Part III Organizations Maintaining Collections of Art, Historical Treasures, or Other Similar Assets including questions about reporting and amounts for revenue and assets.

Part III Organizations Maintaining Collections of Art, Historical Treasures, or Other Similar Assets (continued)

3 Using the organization's acquisition, accession, and other records, check any of the following that are a significant use of its collection items (check all that apply)

- a Public exhibition, b Scholarly research, c Preservation for future generations, d Loan or exchange programs, e Other

4 Provide a description of the organization's collections and explain how they further the organization's exempt purpose in Part XIII

5 During the year, did the organization solicit or receive donations of art, historical treasures or other similar assets to be sold to raise funds rather than to be maintained as part of the organization's collection? Yes No

Part IV Escrow and Custodial Arrangements. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 9, or reported an amount on Form 990, Part X, line 21.

1a Is the organization an agent, trustee, custodian or other intermediary for contributions or other assets not included on Form 990, Part X? Yes No

b If "Yes," explain the arrangement in Part XIII and complete the following table

Table with 2 columns: Description (1c-1f) and Amount

2a Did the organization include an amount on Form 990, Part X, line 21, for escrow or custodial account liability? Yes No

b If "Yes," explain the arrangement in Part XIII. Check here if the explanation has been provided in Part XIII

Part V Endowment Funds. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 10.

Table with 6 columns: (a) Current year, (b) Prior year, (c) Two years back, (d) Three years back, (e) Four years back. Rows 1a-1g.

2 Provide the estimated percentage of the current year end balance (line 1g, column (a)) held as

- a Board designated or quasi-endowment, b Permanent endowment, c Temporarily restricted endowment. The percentages in lines 2a, 2b, and 2c should equal 100%

3a Are there endowment funds not in the possession of the organization that are held and administered for the organization by

Table with 3 columns: Description (3a(i), 3a(ii), 3b) and Yes/No

4 Describe in Part XIII the intended uses of the organization's endowment funds

Part VI Land, Buildings, and Equipment. Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' to Form 990, Part IV, line 11a. See Form 990, Part X, line 10.

Table with 5 columns: Description of property, (a) Cost or other basis (Investment), (b) Cost or other basis (other), (c) Accumulated depreciation, (d) Book value. Rows 1a-1e and Total.

Part VII Investments—Other Securities. Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' to Form 990, Part IV, line 11b. See Form 990, Part X, line 12.

(a) Description of security or category (including name of security)	(b) Book value	(c) Method of valuation Cost or end-of-year market value
(1) Financial derivatives		
(2) Closely-held equity interests		
Other		
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col (B) line 12)		

Part VIII Investments—Program Related. Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' to Form 990, Part IV, line 11c. See Form 990, Part X, line 13.

(a) Description of investment	(b) Book value	(c) Method of valuation Cost or end-of-year market value
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col (B) line 13)		

Part IX Other Assets. Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' to Form 990, Part IV, line 11d. See Form 990, Part X, line 15

(a) Description	(b) Book value
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col.(B) line 15.)	

Part X Other Liabilities. Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' to Form 990, Part IV, line 11e or 11f. See Form 990, Part X, line 25.

1 (a) Description of liability	(b) Book value
Federal income taxes	
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col (B) line 25)	

2. Liability for uncertain tax positions In Part XIII, provide the text of the footnote to the organization's financial statements that reports the organization's liability for uncertain tax positions under FIN 48 (ASC 740) Check here if the text of the footnote has been provided in Part XIII

Part XI Reconciliation of Revenue per Audited Financial Statements With Revenue per Return Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' to Form 990, Part IV, line 12a.

1	Total revenue, gains, and other support per audited financial statements	1	779,427
2	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12		
a	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	2a	-13,113
b	Donated services and use of facilities	2b	1,000
c	Recoveries of prior year grants	2c	
d	Other (Describe in Part XIII)	2d	
e	Add lines 2a through 2d	2e	-12,113
3	Subtract line 2e from line 1	3	791,540
4	Amounts included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, but not on line 1		
a	Investment expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b	4a	
b	Other (Describe in Part XIII)	4b	
c	Add lines 4a and 4b	4c	
5	Total revenue Add lines 3 and 4c . (This must equal Form 990, Part I, line 12)	5	791,540

Part XII Reconciliation of Expenses per Audited Financial Statements With Expenses per Return. Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' to Form 990, Part IV, line 12a.

1	Total expenses and losses per audited financial statements	1	765,268
2	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part IX, line 25		
a	Donated services and use of facilities	2a	1,000
b	Prior year adjustments	2b	
c	Other losses	2c	
d	Other (Describe in Part XIII)	2d	
e	Add lines 2a through 2d	2e	1,000
3	Subtract line 2e from line 1	3	764,268
4	Amounts included on Form 990, Part IX, line 25, but not on line 1 :		
a	Investment expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b	4a	
b	Other (Describe in Part XIII)	4b	
c	Add lines 4a and 4b	4c	
5	Total expenses Add lines 3 and 4c . (This must equal Form 990, Part I, line 18)	5	764,268

Part XIII Supplemental Information

Provide the descriptions required for Part II, lines 3, 5, and 9, Part III, lines 1a and 4, Part IV, lines 1b and 2b, Part V, line 4, Part X, line 2, Part XI, lines 2d and 4b, and Part XII, lines 2d and 4b Also complete this part to provide any additional information

Return Reference	Explanation
Part X FIN48 Footnote	The Association is a not-for-profit association that is exempt from income taxes under the Section 501(c)(6) of the Internal Revenue Code and classified by the Internal Revenue Service as a business league The association has implemented the accounting requirements associated with uncertainty in income taxes as required by FASB ASC 740, Income Taxes Tax positions initially need to be recognized in the financial statements when it is more likely than not the position will be sustained upon examination by the tax authorities Such tax positions initially and subsequently need to be measured as the largest amount of tax benefit that has a greater than 50% likelihood of being realized upon ultimate settlement with the tax authority assuming full knowledge of the position and relevant facts The Association believes that it has appropriate support for the tax positions taken and to be taken on its tax returns after 2006 for Federal, based on their assessment of many factors including experience and interpretations of tax laws applied to the facts of each matter The Association files Form 990, Return from Income Tax, in the U S Federal jurisdiction With few exceptions, the Association is no longer subject to U S federal tax examinations by tax authorities for years before 2011

Part XIII Supplemental Information (continued)

Return Reference	Explanation

Schedule J
(Form 990)

Compensation Information

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For certain Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees

▶ **Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 23.**

▶ **Attach to Form 990.**

▶ **Information about Schedule J (Form 990) and its instructions is at www.irs.gov/form990.**

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Part I Questions Regarding Compensation

- 1a** Check the appropriate box(es) if the organization provided any of the following to or for a person listed in Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a. Complete Part III to provide any relevant information regarding these items.
- | | |
|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> First-class or charter travel | <input type="checkbox"/> Housing allowance or residence for personal use |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Travel for companions | <input type="checkbox"/> Payments for business use of personal residence |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Tax indemnification and gross-up payments | <input type="checkbox"/> Health or social club dues or initiation fees |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Discretionary spending account | <input type="checkbox"/> Personal services (e.g., maid, chauffeur, chef) |

b If any of the boxes in line 1a are checked, did the organization follow a written policy regarding payment or reimbursement or provision of all of the expenses described above? If "No," complete Part III to explain.

2 Did the organization require substantiation prior to reimbursing or allowing expenses incurred by all directors, trustees, officers, including the CEO/Executive Director, regarding the items checked in line 1a?

3 Indicate which, if any, of the following the filing organization used to establish the compensation of the organization's CEO/Executive Director. Check all that apply. Do not check any boxes for methods used by a related organization to establish compensation of the CEO/Executive Director, but explain in Part III.

- | | |
|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Compensation committee | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Written employment contract |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Independent compensation consultant | <input type="checkbox"/> Compensation survey or study |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Form 990 of other organizations | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Approval by the board or compensation committee |

4 During the year, did any person listed in Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a with respect to the filing organization or a related organization:

- a** Receive a severance payment or change-of-control payment?
- b** Participate in, or receive payment from, a supplemental nonqualified retirement plan?
- c** Participate in, or receive payment from, an equity-based compensation arrangement?
- If "Yes" to any of lines 4a-c, list the persons and provide the applicable amounts for each item in Part III.

Only 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations must complete lines 5-9.

5 For persons listed in Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization pay or accrue any compensation contingent on the revenues of:

- a** The organization?
- b** Any related organization?
- If "Yes," to line 5a or 5b, describe in Part III.

6 For persons listed in Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization pay or accrue any compensation contingent on the net earnings of:

- a** The organization?
- b** Any related organization?
- If "Yes," to line 6a or 6b, describe in Part III.

7 For persons listed in Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization provide any non-fixed payments not described in lines 5 and 6? If "Yes," describe in Part III.

8 Were any amounts reported in Form 990, Part VII, paid or accrued pursuant to a contract that was subject to the initial contract exception described in Regulations section 53.4958-4(a)(3)? If "Yes," describe in Part III.

9 If "Yes" to line 8, did the organization also follow the rebuttable presumption procedure described in Regulations section 53.4958-6(c)?

	Yes	No
1b		
2	Yes	
4a		No
4b		No
4c		No
5a		
5b		
6a		
6b		
7		
8		
9		

Part II Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees. Use duplicate copies if additional space is needed.

For each individual whose compensation must be reported in Schedule J, report compensation from the organization on row (i) and from related organizations, described in the instructions, on row (ii) Do not list any individuals that are not listed on Form 990, Part VII

Note. The sum of columns (B)(i)-(iii) for each listed individual must equal the total amount of Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, applicable column (D) and (E) amounts for that individual

(A) Name and Title	(B) Breakdown of W-2 and/or 1099-MISC compensation			(C) Retirement and other deferred compensation	(D) Nontaxable benefits	(E) Total of columns (B)(i)-(D)	(F) Compensation in column(B) reported as deferred in prior Form 990
	(i) Base compensation	(ii) Bonus & incentive compensation	(iii) Other reportable compensation				

Part III Supplemental Information

Provide the information, explanation, or descriptions required for Part I, lines 1a, 1b, 3, 4a, 4b, 4c, 5a, 5b, 6a, 6b, 7, and 8, and for Part II

Also complete this part for any additional information

Return Reference	Explanation
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SCHEDULE O
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Department of the Treasury
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Supplemental Information to Form 990 or 990-EZ

Complete to provide information for responses to specific questions on Form 990 or 990-EZ or to provide any additional information.

▶ Attach to Form 990 or 990-EZ.

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990 Schedule O, Supplemental Information

Return Reference	Explanation
Form 990, Part VI, Line 3 Description of Delegated Duties to Management Company	DAY TO DAY MANAGEMENT RESPONSIBILITIES HAVE BEEN DELEGATED
Form 990, Part VI, Line 11b Form 990 Review Process	DRAFT COPY OF THE 990 IS PROVIDED TO THE CEO AND APPROVED BY THE CEO
Form 990, Part VI, Line 12c Explanation of Monitoring and Enforcement of Conflicts	BOARD MEMBERS DISCLOSE POTENTIAL CONFLICTS PRIOR TO ANY VOTE BY THE BOARD THE BOARD WILL THEN DECIDE IF IT IS NECESSARY FOR THAT MEMBER TO ABSTAIN
Form 990, Part VI, Line 15b Compensation Review and Approval Process for Officers and Key Employees	COMPENSATION IS NEGOTIATED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND THE CEO THE BOARD APPROVES THE COMPENSATION AND PERFORMS AN ANNUAL REVIEW OF MANAGEMENT SERVICES THE CONTRACT FOR COMPENSATION IS FOR A 2 YEAR PERIOD
Form 990, Part VI, Line 19 Other Organization Documents Publicly Available	ALL INFO AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST