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Form **990-PF**Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service**Return of Private Foundation**

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

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**2014**

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For calendar year 2014 or tax year beginning

08/01, 2014, and ending

07/31, 2015

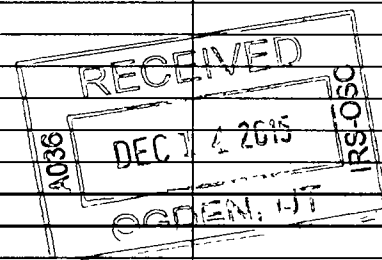
Name of foundation <b>MERKEL FOUNDATION, INC.</b>		<b>A</b> Employer identification number 39-1582624
Number and street (or P O box number if mail is not delivered to street address)  3465 MUIRWOOD DRIVE	Room/suite	<b>B</b> Telephone number (see instructions) (262) 227-9357
City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code  BROOKFIELD, WI 53045		<b>C</b> If exemption application is pending, check here <input type="checkbox"/>
<b>G</b> Check all that apply <input type="checkbox"/> Initial return <input type="checkbox"/> Final return <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Address change	<input type="checkbox"/> Initial return of a former public charity <input type="checkbox"/> Amended return <input type="checkbox"/> Name change	<b>D</b> 1 Foreign organizations, check here <input type="checkbox"/> 2 Foreign organizations meeting the 85% test, check here and attach computation <input type="checkbox"/>
<b>H</b> Check type of organization <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Section 501(c)(3) exempt private foundation <input type="checkbox"/> Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust <input type="checkbox"/> Other taxable private foundation		<b>E</b> If private foundation status was terminated under section 507(b)(1)(A), check here <input type="checkbox"/>
<b>I</b> Fair market value of all assets at end of year (from Part II, col (c), line 16) ▶ \$ 10,984,255.		<b>F</b> If the foundation is in a 60-month termination under section 507(b)(1)(B), check here <input type="checkbox"/>
<b>J</b> Accounting method <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Cash <input type="checkbox"/> Accrual <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify) _____ (Part I, column (d) must be on cash basis)		

<b>Part I Analysis of Revenue and Expenses</b> (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)
1 Contributions gifts, grants, etc., received (attach schedule)		125,011.			
2 Check <input type="checkbox"/> if the foundation is not required to attach Sch. B					
3 Interest on savings and temporary cash investments		14.	14.		ATCH 1
4 Dividends and interest from securities		300,005.	300,005.		ATCH 2
5a Gross rents					
b Net rental income or (loss)					
6a Net gain or (loss) from sale of assets not on line 10		1,221,563.			
b Gross sales price for all assets on line 6a 1,792,834.					
7 Capital gain net income (from Part IV, line 2)			1,221,563.		
8 Net short-term capital gain					
9 Income modifications					
10a Gross sales less returns and allowances					
b Less Cost of goods sold					
c Gross profit or (loss) (attach schedule)					
11 Other income (attach schedule)					
12 Total. Add lines 1 through 11		1,646,593.	1,521,582.		
13 Compensation of officers, directors, trustees, etc.		0			
14 Other employee salaries and wages					
15 Pension plans, employee benefits					
16a Legal fees (attach schedule)					
b Accounting fees (attach schedule) ATCH 3		3,600.	1,800.		1,800.
c Other professional fees (attach schedule)					
17 Interest					
18 Taxes (attach schedule) (see instructions) [ 4 ]		14,103.	5,998.		5.
19 Depreciation (attach schedule) and depletion					
20 Occupancy					
21 Travel, conferences, and meetings					
22 Printing and publications					
23 Other expenses (attach schedule) ATCH 5		100.	100.		
24 Total operating and administrative expenses. Add lines 13 through 23.		17,803.	7,898.		1,805.
25 Contributions, gifts, grants paid		491,500.			491,500.
26 Total expenses and disbursements. Add lines 24 and 25		509,303.	7,898.	0	493,305.
27 Subtract line 26 from line 12					
a Excess of revenue over expenses and disbursements		1,137,290.			
b Net investment income (if negative, enter -0-)			1,513,684.		
c Adjusted net income (if negative, enter -0-)					

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Revenue

Operating and Administrative Expenses



**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
<b>Assets</b>	1 Cash - non-interest-bearing . . . . .	400.	303.	303.
	2 Savings and temporary cash investments . . . . .	44,691.	91,559.	91,559.
	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 . . . . .			
	10 a Investments - U.S. and state government obligations (attach schedule) . . . . .			
	b Investments - corporate stock (attach schedule) <b>ATCH 6</b> . . . . .	3,489,933.	4,580,452.	10,892,390.
	c Investments - corporate bonds (attach schedule) . . . . .			
	11 Investments - land, buildings, and equipment basis Less accumulated depreciation (attach schedule) ▶	3.	3.	3.
	12 Investments - mortgage loans . . . . .			
	13 Investments - other (attach schedule) . . . . .			
	14 Land, buildings, and equipment basis Less accumulated depreciation (attach schedule) ▶			
15 Other assets (describe ▶) . . . . .				
16 <b>Total assets</b> (to be completed by all filers - see the instructions Also, see page 1, item I) . . . . .	3,535,027.	4,672,317.	10,984,255.	
<b>Liabilities</b>	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 <b>Total liabilities</b> (add lines 17 through 22) . . . . .	0	0		
<b>Net Assets or Fund Balances</b>	<b>Foundations that follow SFAS 117, check here ▶</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>and complete lines 24 through 26 and lines 30 and 31.</b>			
	24 Unrestricted . . . . .			
	25 Temporarily restricted . . . . .			
	26 Permanently restricted . . . . .			
	<b>Foundations that do not follow SFAS 117, . . . ▶</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>X</b> <b>check here and complete lines 27 through 31.</b>			
	27 Capital stock, trust principal, or current funds . . . . .			
	28 Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, bldg, and equipment fund . . . . .			
	29 Retained earnings, accumulated income, endowment, or other funds . . . . .	3,535,027.	4,672,317.	
	30 <b>Total net assets or fund balances</b> (see instructions) . . . . .	3,535,027.	4,672,317.	
31 <b>Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances</b> (see instructions) . . . . .	3,535,027.	4,672,317.		

**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) . . . . .	<b>1</b>	3,535,027.
2 Enter amount from Part I, line 27a . . . . .	<b>2</b>	1,137,290.
3 Other increases not included in line 2 (itemize) ▶	<b>3</b>	
4 Add lines 1, 2, and 3 . . . . .	<b>4</b>	4,672,317.
5 Decreases not included in line 2 (itemize) ▶	<b>5</b>	
6 Total net assets or fund balances at end of year (line 4 minus line 5) - Part II, column (b), line 30 . . . . .	<b>6</b>	4,672,317.

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

(a) List and describe the kind(s) of property sold (e.g., real estate, 2-story brick warehouse, or common stock, 200 shs MLC Co)			(b) How acquired P - Purchase D - Donation	(c) Date acquired (mo., day, yr.)	(d) Date sold (mo., day, yr.)
<b>1a PUBLICALLY TRADED SECURITIES</b>					
<b>b</b>					
<b>c</b>					
<b>d</b>					
<b>e</b>					
(e) Gross sales price	(f) Depreciation allowed (or allowable)	(g) Cost or other basis plus expense of sale	(h) Gain or (loss) (e) plus (f) minus (g)		
<b>a</b>					
<b>b</b>					
<b>c</b>					
<b>d</b>					
<b>e</b>					
Complete only for assets showing gain in column (h) and owned by the foundation on 12/31/69					
(i) F M V as of 12/31/69	(j) Adjusted basis as of 12/31/69	(k) Excess of col (i) over col (j), if any	(l) Gains (Col (h) gain minus col (k), but not less than -0-) or Losses (from col (h))		
<b>a</b>					
<b>b</b>					
<b>c</b>					
<b>d</b>					
<b>e</b>					
<b>2</b> Capital gain net income or (net capital loss) <span style="float: right;">{ If gain, also enter in Part I, line 7 If (loss), enter -0- in Part I, line 7 }</span>			<b>2</b>	1,221,563.	
<b>3</b> Net short-term capital gain or (loss) as defined in sections 1222(5) and (6) If gain, also enter in Part I, line 8, column (c) (see instructions) If (loss), enter -0- in Part I, line 8			<b>3</b>	0	

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

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

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

Was the foundation liable for the section 4942 tax on the distributable amount of any year in the base period?

☐ Yes ☒ No

If "Yes," the foundation does not qualify under section 4940(e). Do not complete this part.

(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	428,630.	10,029,810.	0.042736
2012	365,755.	8,663,857.	0.042216
2011	371,730.	7,510,777.	0.049493
2010	292,165.	6,919,215.	0.042225
2009	221,043.	5,668,417.	0.038996
<b>2</b> Total of line 1, column (d)			<b>2</b> 0.215666
<b>3</b> Average distribution ratio for the 5-year base period - divide the total on line 2 by 5, or by the number of years the foundation has been in existence if less than 5 years			<b>3</b> 0.043133
<b>4</b> Enter the net value of noncharitable-use assets for 2014 from Part X, line 5			<b>4</b> 11,067,986.
<b>5</b> Multiply line 4 by line 3			<b>5</b> 477,395.
<b>6</b> Enter 1% of net investment income (1% of Part I, line 27b)			<b>6</b> 15,137.
<b>7</b> Add lines 5 and 6			<b>7</b> 492,532.
<b>8</b> Enter qualifying distributions from Part XII, line 4 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			<b>8</b> 493,305.

**Part VI Excise Tax Based on Investment Income (Section 4940(a), 4940(b), 4940(e), or 4948 - see instructions)**

<b>1a</b> Exempt operating foundations described in section 4940(d)(2), check here <input type="checkbox"/> and enter "N/A" on line 1 . . . . . Date of ruling or determination letter _____ (attach copy of letter if necessary - see instructions)	<b>1</b>	15,137.
<b>b</b> Domestic foundations that meet the section 4940(e) requirements in Part V, check here <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> and enter 1% of Part I, line 27b . . . . .		
<b>c</b> All other domestic foundations enter 2% of line 27b. Exempt foreign organizations enter 4% of Part I, line 12, col. (b)		
<b>2</b> Tax under section 511 (domestic section 4947(a)(1) trusts and taxable foundations only. Others enter -0-)	<b>2</b>	
<b>3</b> Add lines 1 and 2 . . . . .	<b>3</b>	15,137.
<b>4</b> Subtitle A (income) tax (domestic section 4947(a)(1) trusts and taxable foundations only. Others enter -0-)	<b>4</b>	0
<b>5</b> <b>Tax based on investment income.</b> Subtract line 4 from line 3. If zero or less, enter -0- . . . . .	<b>5</b>	15,137.
<b>6</b> Credits/Payments		
<b>a</b> 2014 estimated tax payments and 2013 overpayment credited to 2014 . . . . .	<b>6a</b>	6,400.
<b>b</b> Exempt foreign organizations - tax withheld at source . . . . .	<b>6b</b>	
<b>c</b> Tax paid with application for extension of time to file (Form 8868) . . . . .	<b>6c</b>	
<b>d</b> Backup withholding erroneously withheld . . . . .	<b>6d</b>	
<b>7</b> Total credits and payments. Add lines 6a through 6d . . . . .	<b>7</b>	6,400.
<b>8</b> Enter any <b>penalty</b> for underpayment of estimated tax. Check here <input type="checkbox"/> if Form 2220 is attached . . . . .	<b>8</b>	
<b>9</b> <b>Tax due.</b> If the total of lines 5 and 8 is more than line 7, enter <b>amount owed</b> . . . . .	<b>9</b>	8,737.
<b>10</b> <b>Overpayment.</b> If line 7 is more than the total of lines 5 and 8, enter the <b>amount overpaid</b> . . . . .	<b>10</b>	
<b>11</b> Enter the amount of line 10 to be <b>Credited to 2015 estimated tax</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Refunded</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>11</b>	<b>11</b>	

**Part VII-A Statements Regarding Activities**

	Yes	No
<b>1a</b> During the tax year, did the foundation attempt to influence any national, state, or local legislation or did it participate or intervene in any political campaign? . . . . .		X
<b>b</b> Did it spend more than \$100 during the year (either directly or indirectly) for political purposes (see Instructions for the definition)? . . . . . <i>If the answer is "Yes" to 1a or 1b, attach a detailed description of the activities and copies of any materials published or distributed by the foundation in connection with the activities</i>		X
<b>c</b> Did the foundation file <b>Form 1120-POL</b> for this year? . . . . .		X
<b>d</b> Enter the amount (if any) of tax on political expenditures (section 4955) imposed during the year: (1) On the foundation <input type="checkbox"/> \$ 0 (2) On foundation managers <input type="checkbox"/> \$ 0		
<b>e</b> Enter the reimbursement (if any) paid by the foundation during the year for political expenditure tax imposed on foundation managers <input type="checkbox"/> \$ 0		
<b>2</b> Has the foundation engaged in any activities that have not previously been reported to the IRS? . . . . . <i>If "Yes," attach a detailed description of the activities</i>		X
<b>3</b> Has the foundation made any changes, not previously reported to the IRS, in its governing instrument, articles of incorporation, or bylaws, or other similar instruments? <i>If "Yes," attach a conformed copy of the changes</i> . . . . .		X
<b>4a</b> Did the foundation have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year? . . . . .		X
<b>b</b> If "Yes," has it filed a tax return on <b>Form 990-T</b> for this year? . . . . .		
<b>5</b> Was there a liquidation, termination, dissolution, or substantial contraction during the year? . . . . . <i>If "Yes," attach the statement required by General Instruction T</i>		X
<b>6</b> Are the requirements of section 508(e) (relating to sections 4941 through 4945) satisfied either: • By language in the governing instrument, or • By state legislation that effectively amends the governing instrument so that no mandatory directions that conflict with the state law remain in the governing instrument? . . . . .	X	
<b>7</b> Did the foundation have at least \$5,000 in assets at any time during the year? <i>If "Yes," complete Part II, col. (c), and Part XV</i>	X	
<b>8a</b> Enter the states to which the foundation reports or with which it is registered (see instructions) <input type="checkbox"/> WI, _____		
<b>b</b> If the answer is "Yes" to line 7, has the foundation furnished a copy of Form 990-PF to the Attorney General (or designate) of each state as required by <i>General Instruction G</i> ? <i>If "No," attach explanation</i> . . . . .	X	
<b>9</b> Is the foundation claiming status as a private operating foundation within the meaning of section 4942(j)(3) or 4942(j)(5) for calendar year 2014 or the taxable year beginning in 2014 (see instructions for Part XIV)? <i>If "Yes," complete Part XIV</i> . . . . .		X
<b>10</b> Did any persons become substantial contributors during the tax year? <i>If "Yes," attach a schedule listing their names and addresses</i> . . . . .		X

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**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		X
12	Did the foundation make a distribution to a donor advised fund over which the foundation or a disqualified person had advisory privileges? If "Yes," attach statement (see instructions).	12		X
13	Did the foundation comply with the public inspection requirements for its annual returns and exemption application?	13	X	
Website address <input type="text"/> N/A				
14	The books are in care of <input type="text"/> RANDY BENZ Telephone no <input type="text"/> 262/227-9357			
Located at <input type="text"/> 3465 MUIRWOOD DRIVE BROOKFIELD, WI ZIP+4 <input type="text"/> 53045				
15	Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts filing Form 990-PF in lieu of Form 1041 - Check here <input type="checkbox"/> and enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the year <input type="text"/> 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 the instructions for exceptions and filing requirements for FinCEN Form 114, (formerly TD F 90-22.1) If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country <input type="text"/>	16	Yes	No
				X

**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? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No		
(2) Borrow money from, lend money to, or otherwise extend credit to (or accept it from) a disqualified person? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No		
(3) Furnish goods, services, or facilities to (or accept them from) a disqualified person? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		
(4) Pay compensation to, or pay or reimburse the expenses of, a disqualified person? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No		
(5) Transfer any income or assets to a disqualified person (or make any of either available for the benefit or use of a disqualified person)? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No		
(6) Agree to pay money or property to a government official? (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). <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 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)? <input type="checkbox"/> Organizations relying on a current notice regarding disaster assistance check here <input type="checkbox"/>	1b	X
c Did the foundation engage in a prior year in any of the acts described in 1a, other than excepted acts, that were not corrected before the first day of the tax year beginning in 2014?	1c	X
2 Taxes on failure to distribute income (section 4942) (does not apply for years the foundation was a private operating foundation defined in section 4942(j)(3) or 4942(j)(5))		
a At the end of tax year 2014, did the foundation have any undistributed income (lines 6d and 6e, Part XIII) for tax year(s) beginning before 2014? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No If "Yes," list the years <input type="text"/>		
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 <input type="text"/>		
3a Did the foundation hold more than a 2% direct or indirect interest in any business enterprise at any time during the year? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No		
b If "Yes," did it have excess business holdings in 2014 as a result of (1) any purchase by the foundation or disqualified persons after May 26, 1969, (2) the lapse of the 5-year period (or longer period approved by the Commissioner under section 4943(c)(7)) to dispose of holdings acquired by gift or bequest, or (3) the lapse of the 10-, 15-, or 20-year first phase holding period? (Use Schedule C, Form 4720, to determine if the foundation had excess business holdings in 2014)	3b	
4a Did the foundation invest during the year any amount in a manner that would jeopardize its charitable purposes?	4a	X
b Did the foundation make any investment in a prior year (but after December 31, 1969) that could jeopardize its charitable purpose that had not been removed from jeopardy before the first day of the tax year beginning in 2014?	4b	X

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

**5a** During the year did the foundation pay or incur any amount to

(1) Carry on propaganda, or otherwise attempt to influence legislation (section 4945(e))? ☐ Yes ☒ No

(2) Influence the outcome of any specific public election (see section 4955), or to carry on, directly or indirectly, any voter registration drive? ☐ Yes ☒ No

(3) Provide a grant to an individual for travel, study, or other similar purposes? ☐ Yes ☒ No

(4) Provide a grant to an organization other than a charitable, etc., organization described in section 4945(d)(4)(A)? (see instructions). ☐ Yes ☒ No

(5) Provide for any purpose other than religious, charitable, scientific, literary, or educational purposes, or for the prevention of cruelty to children or animals? ☐ Yes ☒ No

**b** If any answer is "Yes" to 5a(1)-(5), did any of the transactions fail to qualify under the exceptions described in Regulations section 53.4945 or in a current notice regarding disaster assistance (see instructions)? ☐ **5b**

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

**c** If the answer is "Yes" to question 5a(4), does the foundation claim exemption from the tax because it maintained expenditure responsibility for the grant? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If "Yes," attach the statement required by Regulations section 53.4945-5(d)

**6a** Did the foundation, during the year, receive any funds, directly or indirectly, to pay premiums on a personal benefit contract? ☐ Yes ☒ No

**b** Did the foundation, during the year, pay premiums, directly or indirectly, on a personal benefit contract? ☐ Yes ☒ No **6b** X

If "Yes" to 6b, file Form 8870

**7a** At any time during the tax year, was the foundation a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction? ☐ Yes ☒ No

**b** If "Yes," did the foundation receive any proceeds or have any net income attributable to the transaction? ☐ Yes ☒ No **7b**

**Part VIII Information About Officers, Directors, Trustees, Foundation Managers, Highly Paid Employees, and Contractors****1 List all officers, directors, trustees, foundation managers and their compensation (see instructions).**

(a) Name and address	(b) Title, and average hours per week devoted to position	(c) Compensation (if not paid, enter -0-)	(d) Contributions to employee benefit plans and deferred compensation	(e) Expense account, other allowances
ATCH 7		0	0	0

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

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

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

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

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

(a) Name and address of each person paid more than \$50,000	(b) Type of service	(c) Compensation
NONE ----- ----- ----- ----- ----- ----- ----- ----- -----		
Total number of others receiving over \$50,000 for professional services . . . . . ▶		

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

List the foundation's four largest direct charitable activities during the tax year. Include relevant statistical information such as the number of organizations and other beneficiaries served, conferences convened, research papers produced, etc.

## Expenses

1	NOT APPLICABLE	
2		
3		
4		

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

Describe the two largest program-related investments made by the foundation during the tax year on lines 1 and 2

Amount

1	NONE	
2		
All other program-related investments See instructions		
3	NONE	
Total. Add lines 1 through 3		

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

<b>1</b>	Fair market value of assets not used (or held for use) directly in carrying out charitable, etc., purposes		
<b>a</b>	Average monthly fair market value of securities	<b>1a</b>	11,093,264.
<b>b</b>	Average of monthly cash balances	<b>1b</b>	143,170.
<b>c</b>	Fair market value of all other assets (see instructions)	<b>1c</b>	100.
<b>d</b>	<b>Total</b> (add lines 1a, b, and c)	<b>1d</b>	11,236,534.
<b>e</b>	Reduction claimed for blockage or other factors reported on lines 1a and 1c (attach detailed explanation)	<b>1e</b>	
<b>2</b>	Acquisition indebtedness applicable to line 1 assets	<b>2</b>	
<b>3</b>	Subtract line 2 from line 1d	<b>3</b>	11,236,534.
<b>4</b>	Cash deemed held for charitable activities. Enter 1 1/2% of line 3 (for greater amount, see instructions)	<b>4</b>	168,548.
<b>5</b>	<b>Net value of noncharitable-use assets.</b> Subtract line 4 from line 3. Enter here and on Part V, line 4	<b>5</b>	11,067,986.
<b>6</b>	<b>Minimum investment return.</b> Enter 5% of line 5	<b>6</b>	553,399.

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

<b>1</b>	Minimum investment return from Part X, line 6	<b>1</b>	553,399.
<b>2a</b>	Tax on investment income for 2014 from Part VI, line 5	<b>2a</b>	15,137.
<b>b</b>	Income tax for 2014 (This does not include the tax from Part VI)	<b>2b</b>	
<b>c</b>	Add lines 2a and 2b	<b>2c</b>	15,137.
<b>3</b>	Distributable amount before adjustments. Subtract line 2c from line 1	<b>3</b>	538,262.
<b>4</b>	Recoveries of amounts treated as qualifying distributions	<b>4</b>	
<b>5</b>	Add lines 3 and 4	<b>5</b>	538,262.
<b>6</b>	Deduction from distributable amount (see instructions)	<b>6</b>	
<b>7</b>	<b>Distributable amount</b> as adjusted. Subtract line 6 from line 5. Enter here and on Part XIII, line 1	<b>7</b>	538,262.

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

<b>1</b>	Amounts paid (including administrative expenses) to accomplish charitable, etc., purposes		
<b>a</b>	Expenses, contributions, gifts, etc. - total from Part I, column (d), line 26	<b>1a</b>	493,305.
<b>b</b>	Program-related investments - total from Part IX-B	<b>1b</b>	
<b>2</b>	Amounts paid to acquire assets used (or held for use) directly in carrying out charitable, etc., purposes	<b>2</b>	
<b>3</b>	Amounts set aside for specific charitable projects that satisfy the		
<b>a</b>	Suitability test (prior IRS approval required)	<b>3a</b>	
<b>b</b>	Cash distribution test (attach the required schedule)	<b>3b</b>	
<b>4</b>	<b>Qualifying distributions.</b> Add lines 1a through 3b. Enter here and on Part V, line 8, and Part XIII, line 4	<b>4</b>	493,305.
<b>5</b>	Foundations that qualify under section 4940(e) for the reduced rate of tax on net investment income. Enter 1% of Part I, line 27b (see instructions)	<b>5</b>	15,137.
<b>6</b>	<b>Adjusted qualifying distributions.</b> Subtract line 5 from line 4	<b>6</b>	478,168.

**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.

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Page **9****Part XIII Undistributed Income** (see instructions)

	(a) Corpus	(b) Years prior to 2013	(c) 2013	(d) 2014
<b>1</b> Distributable amount for 2014 from Part XI, line 7 . . . . .				538,262.
<b>2</b> Undistributed income, if any, as of the end of 2014				
<b>a</b> Enter amount for 2013 only . . . . .			491,426.	
<b>b</b> Total for prior years 20 <u>12</u> , 20 <u>11</u> , 20 <u>10</u> . . . . .				
<b>3</b> Excess distributions carryover, if any, to 2014				
<b>a</b> From 2009 . . . . .				
<b>b</b> From 2010 . . . . .				
<b>c</b> From 2011 . . . . .				
<b>d</b> From 2012 . . . . .				
<b>e</b> From 2013 . . . . .				
<b>f</b> Total of lines 3a through e . . . . .	0			
<b>4</b> Qualifying distributions for 2014 from Part XII, line 4 ▶ \$ <u>493,305.</u>				
<b>a</b> Applied to 2013, but not more than line 2a . . . . .			491,426.	
<b>b</b> Applied to undistributed income of prior years (Election required - see instructions) . . . . .				
<b>c</b> Treated as distributions out of corpus (Election required - see instructions) . . . . .				
<b>d</b> Applied to 2014 distributable amount . . . . .				1,879.
<b>e</b> Remaining amount distributed out of corpus . . . . .				
<b>5</b> Excess distributions carryover applied to 2014 . . . . . (If an amount appears in column (d), the same amount must be shown in column (a) )				
<b>6</b> Enter the net total of each column as indicated below:				
<b>a</b> Corpus Add lines 3f, 4c, and 4e Subtract line 5 . . . . .				
<b>b</b> Prior years' undistributed income Subtract line 4b from line 2b . . . . .				
<b>c</b> Enter the amount of prior years' undistributed income for which a notice of deficiency has been issued, or on which the section 4942(a) tax has been previously assessed . . . . .				
<b>d</b> Subtract line 6c from line 6b Taxable amount - see instructions . . . . .				
<b>e</b> Undistributed income for 2013 Subtract line 4a from line 2a Taxable amount - see instructions . . . . .				
<b>f</b> Undistributed income for 2014 Subtract lines 4d and 5 from line 1 This amount must be distributed in 2015 . . . . .				536,383.
<b>7</b> Amounts treated as distributions out of corpus to satisfy requirements imposed by section 170(b)(1)(F) or 4942(g)(3) (Election may be required - see instructions) . . . . .				
<b>8</b> Excess distributions carryover from 2009 not applied on line 5 or line 7 (see instructions) . . . . .				
<b>9</b> Excess distributions carryover to 2015. Subtract lines 7 and 8 from line 6a . . . . .	0			
<b>10</b> Analysis of line 9				
<b>a</b> Excess from 2010 . . . . .				
<b>b</b> Excess from 2011 . . . . .				
<b>c</b> Excess from 2012 . . . . .				
<b>d</b> Excess from 2013 . . . . .				
<b>e</b> Excess from 2014 . . . . .				

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

NOT APPLICABLE

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

- b** Check box to indicate whether the foundation is a private operating foundation described in section

4942(j)(3) or		4942(j)(5)
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- 2 a** 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 (i)(3)(B)(iii) . . . . .

- (3) Largest amount of support from an exempt organization. . . .

- (4) Gross investment income

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

### 1 Information Regarding Foundation Managers:

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

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- 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

NONE

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

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

- a** The name, address, and telephone number or e-mail address of the person to whom applications should be addressed

- 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

**Part XV** Supplementary Information (continued)**3 Grants and Contributions Paid During the Year or Approved for Future Payment**

<div>Recipient</div> <div>Name and address (home or business)</div>	<div>If recipient is an individual, show any relationship to any foundation manager or substantial contributor</div>	<div>Foundation status of recipient</div>	<div>Purpose of grant or contribution</div>	<div>Amount</div>
<b>a</b> <i>Paid during the year</i> SEE ATTACHMENT 8				491,500.
<b>Total</b> ..... ► <b>3a</b>				491,500.
<b>b</b> <i>Approved for future payment</i>				
<b>Total</b> ..... ► <b>3b</b>				

## Enter gross amounts unless otherwise indicated

Enter gross amounts unless otherwise indicated		Unrelated business income	Excluded by section 512, 513, or 514	(e) Related or exempt function income (See instructions )
	(a) Business code	(b) Amount	(c) Exclusion code	(d) Amount
<b>1</b> Program service revenue				
a _____				
b _____				
c _____				
d _____				
e _____				
f _____				
g Fees and contracts from government agencies				
<b>2</b> Membership dues and assessments . . . . .				
<b>3</b> Interest on savings and temporary cash investments			14	14.
<b>4</b> Dividends and interest from securities . . . . .			14	300,005.
<b>5</b> Net rental income or (loss) from real estate				
a Debt-financed property . . . . .				
b Not debt-financed property . . . . .				
<b>6</b> Net rental income or (loss) from personal property .				
<b>7</b> Other investment income . . . . .				
<b>8</b> Gain or (loss) from sales of assets other than inventory			18	1,221,563.
<b>9</b> Net income or (loss) from special events . . . . .				
<b>10</b> Gross profit or (loss) from sales of inventory . . .				
<b>11</b> Other revenue a _____				
b _____				
c _____				
d _____				
e _____				
<b>12</b> Subtotal Add columns (b), (d), and (e) . . . . .				1,521,582.
<b>13 Total.</b> Add line 12, columns (b), (d), and (e) . . . . .				13 1,521,582.

(See worksheet in line 13 instructions to verify calculations )

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

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

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

[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
N/A	N/A	

**Sign  
Here**

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

Signature of officer or trustee

12-11-2015  
Date

VP / Treasurer - *Mark*  
Title *Editor*

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

**Paid  
Preparer  
Use Only**

Print/Type preparer's name

Bernadette D. Zita

Preparer's signature

Bernadette D. Zia

Date

12/10/15

Check ☐ if self-employed

PTIN

P00089845

Firm's name ▶ ERNST &amp; YOUNG U.S. LLP

Firm's address ► 151 N WACKER DRIVE  
CHICAGO, IL

60606

Firm's EIN ► 34-6565596

Phone no 312 879-2000

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**Schedule B**(Form 990, 990-EZ,  
or 990-PF)Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service**Schedule of Contributors**

OMB No 1545-0047

**2014**

▶ Attach to Form 990, Form 990-EZ, or Form 990-PF.

▶ Information about Schedule B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF) and its instructions is at [www.irs.gov/form990](http://www.irs.gov/form990).**Name of the organization**

MERKEL FOUNDATION, INC.

**Employer identification number**

39-1582624

**Organization type (check one)****Filers of:****Section:**

Form 990 or 990-EZ

☐ 501(c)( ) (enter number) organization☐ 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust **not** treated as a private foundation☐ 527 political organization

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☒ 501(c)(3) exempt private foundation☐ 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust treated as a private foundation☐ 501(c)(3) taxable private foundationCheck if your organization is covered by the **General Rule** or a **Special Rule**.**Note.** Only a section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) organization can check boxes for both the General Rule and a Special Rule. See instructions.**General Rule**

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

**Special Rules**

- ☐ For an organization described in section 501(c)(3) filing Form 990 or 990-EZ that met the 33 1/3 % support test of the regulations under sections 509(a)(1) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi), that checked Schedule A (Form 990 or 990-EZ), Part II, line 13, 16a, or 16b, and that received from any one contributor, during the year, total contributions of the greater of (1) \$5,000 or (2) 2% of the amount on (i) Form 990, Part VIII, line 1h, or (ii) Form 990-EZ, line 1. Complete Parts I and II.
- ☐ For an organization described in section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) filing Form 990 or 990-EZ that received from any one contributor, during the year, total contributions of more than \$1,000 *exclusively* for religious, charitable, scientific, literary, or educational purposes, or the prevention of cruelty to children or animals. Complete Parts I, II, and III.
- ☐ For an organization described in section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) filing Form 990 or 990-EZ that received from any one contributor, during the year, contributions *exclusively* for religious, charitable, etc., purposes, but no such contributions totaled more than \$1,000. If this box is checked, enter here the total contributions that were received during the year for an *exclusively* religious, charitable, etc., purpose. Do not complete any of the parts unless the **General Rule** applies to this organization because it received *nonexclusively* religious, charitable, etc., contributions totaling \$5,000 or more during the year. ▶ \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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

Name of organization **MERKEL FOUNDATION, INC.**Employer identification number  
39-1582624**Part I** Contributors (see instructions) Use duplicate copies of Part I if additional space is needed.

(a) No.	(b) Name, address, and ZIP + 4	(c) Total contributions	(d) Type of contribution
1	DANIEL & BETTY MERKEL 3712 BISMARCK CIRCLE SHEBOYGAN, WI 53083	\$ 125,011.	Person <input checked="checked" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions)
		\$	Person <input type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions)
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Name of organization MERKEL FOUNDATION, INC.

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**Part II** Noncash Property (see instructions) Use duplicate copies of Part II if additional space is needed

(a) No. from Part I	(b) Description of noncash property given	(c) FMV (or estimate) (see instructions)	(d) Date received
---	----- ----- ----- -----	\$ -----	-----
(a) No. from Part I	(b) Description of noncash property given	(c) FMV (or estimate) (see instructions)	(d) Date received
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(a) No. from Part I	(b) Description of noncash property given	(c) FMV (or estimate) (see instructions)	(d) Date received
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(a) No. from Part I	(b) Description of noncash property given	(c) FMV (or estimate) (see instructions)	(d) Date received
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(a) No. from Part I	(b) Description of noncash property given	(c) FMV (or estimate) (see instructions)	(d) Date received
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(a) No. from Part I	(b) Description of noncash property given	(c) FMV (or estimate) (see instructions)	(d) Date received
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**Part III** Exclusively religious, charitable, etc., contributions to organizations described in section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) that total more than \$1,000 for the year from any one contributor. Complete columns (a) through (e) and the following line entry. For organizations completing Part III, enter the total of exclusively religious, charitable, etc., contributions of \$1,000 or less for the year. (Enter this information once. See instructions ) ► \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Use duplicate copies of Part III if additional space is needed

(a) No. from Part I	(b) Purpose of gift	(c) Use of gift	(d) Description of how gift is held
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	(e) Transfer of gift		
	Transferee's name, address, and ZIP + 4		Relationship of transferor to transferee
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	(e) Transfer of gift		
	Transferee's name, address, and ZIP + 4		Relationship of transferor to transferee
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	(e) Transfer of gift		
	Transferee's name, address, and ZIP + 4		Relationship of transferor to transferee
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	(e) Transfer of gift		
	Transferee's name, address, and ZIP + 4		Relationship of transferor to transferee
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ATTACHMENT 1FORM 990PF, PART I - INTEREST ON TEMPORARY CASH INVESTMENTS

<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>REVENUE AND EXPENSES PER BOOKS</u>	<u>NET INVESTMENT INCOME</u>
WELLS FARGO	13.	13.
INTEREST- IRS	1.	1.
TOTAL	<u>14.</u>	<u>14.</u>

ATTACHMENT 2

FORM 990PF, PART I - DIVIDENDS AND INTEREST FROM SECURITIES

<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>REVENUE AND EXPENSES PER BOOKS</u>	<u>NET INVESTMENT INCOME</u>
WELLS FARGO	300,005.	300,005.
TOTAL	<u>300,005.</u>	<u>300,005.</u>

ATTACHMENT 3FORM 990PF, PART I - ACCOUNTING FEES

<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>REVENUE AND EXPENSES PER BOOKS</u>	<u>NET INVESTMENT INCOME</u>	<u>ADJUSTED NET INCOME</u>	<u>CHARITABLE PURPOSES</u>
ERNST & YOUNG LLP	3,600.	1,800.		1,800.
TOTALS	<u>3,600.</u>	<u>1,800.</u>		<u>1,800.</u>

ATTACHMENT 4

FORM 990PF, PART I - TAXES

<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>REVENUE AND EXPENSES PER BOOKS</u>	<u>NET INVESTMENT INCOME</u>	<u>CHARITABLE PURPOSES</u>
FOREIGN TAX WITHHOLDING	5,982.	5,982.	
FEDERAL EXCISE TAX	8,100.		
WI ANNUAL REPORT	10.	5.	5.
REAL ESTATE TAXES	11.	11.	
TOTALS	<u>14,103.</u>	<u>5,998.</u>	<u>5.</u>

ATTACHMENT 5

FORM 990PF, PART I - OTHER EXPENSES

<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>REVENUE AND EXPENSES PER BOOKS</u>	<u>NET INVESTMENT INCOME</u>
LIABILITY INSURANCE	100.	100.
TOTALS	<u>100.</u>	<u>100.</u>

ATTACHMENT 6FORM 990PF, PART II - CORPORATE STOCK

<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>ENDING BOOK VALUE</u>	<u>ENDING FMV</u>
AUTOMATIC DATA - 8000 SHS	64,091.	638,160.
BRISTOL MYERS SQUIBB -2500 SHS	59,288.	164,100.
CANADIAN NAT'L RY - 28000 SHS	72,745.	1,748,040.
DISNEY - 7200 SHS	72,089.	864,000.
VERIZON - 10000 SHS	306,299.	467,900.
MERCK - 4000 SHS	83,419.	235,840.
ALTRIA - 4500 SHS	20,265.	244,710.
NEWELL/RUBBERMAID - 6000 SHS	122,299.	259,680.
SCHLUMBERGER - 5000 SHS	75,171.	414,100.
WAL MART - 6000 SHS	62,369.	431,880.
CAMPBELL SOUP - 4000 SHS	44,113.	197,240.
EMERSON ELECTRIC- 4000 SHS	117,399.	207,000.
3M CO - 1500 SHS	94,824.	227,010.
CONOCO PHILLIPS - 4700 SHS	179,048.	236,598.
DOW CHEMICAL - 3500 SHS	171,021.	164,710.
JOHNSON & JOHNSON - 2000 SHS	135,045.	200,420.
AT&T - 10600 SHS	114,750.	368,244.
PHILLIP MORRIS - 4500 SHS	46,179.	384,885.
DOMINION RESOURCES - 9000 SHS	354,463.	645,300.
CATERPILLAR - 4500 SHS	423,436.	353,835.
FRONTIER COMMUN. - 2400 SHS	19,968.	11,328.
MONDELEZ - 5000 SHS	56,617.	225,650.
PHILLIPS 66 - 2,350 SHS	73,555.	186,825.
INTEL CORP. - 20,000 SHS	651,555.	579,000.
KRAFT HEINZ - 1,666 SHS	30,607.	132,397.
LAMAR - 4,700 SHS	279,461.	282,235.
ROYAL DUTCH SHELL - 1,300 SHS	73,664.	75,595.
WISCONSIN ENERGY - 4,512 SHS	119,582.	221,088.
METLIFE - 13,000 SHS	657,130.	724,620.
TOTALS	<u>4,580,452.</u>	<u>10,892,390.</u>



FORM 990PF, PART VIII - LIST OF OFFICERS, DIRECTORS, AND TRUSTEESATTACHMENT 7

<u>NAME AND ADDRESS</u>	<u>TITLE AND AVERAGE HOURS PER WEEK DEVOTED TO POSITION</u>	<u>COMPENSATION</u>	<u>CONTRIBUTIONS TO EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLANS</u>	<u>EXPENSE ACCT AND OTHER ALLOWANCES</u>
DOUGLAS MERKEL 3712 BISMARCK, SHEBOYGAN, WI	PRESIDENT .10	0	0	0
DANIEL MERKEL 3712 BISMARCK, SHEBOYGAN, WI	VICE PRESIDENT .10	0	0	0
DIANE KNOLL 3712 BISMARCK, SHEBOYGAN, WI	VICE PRESIDENT .10	0	0	0
CAROL GARCES 3712 BISMARCK, SHEBOYGAN, WI	VICE PRESIDENT .10	0	0	0
SANDRA BENZ 3712 BISMARCK, SHEBOYGAN, WI	VP/SECRETARY .20	0	0	0
RANDY BENZ 3712 BISMARCK, SHEBOYGAN, WI	VP/TREASURER .50	0	0	0
GRAND TOTALS		0	0	0

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Recipient Name and Address	Relationship	Foundation Status	Purpose of Grant	Amount
ST DOMINIC PARISH 2133 N. 22ND ST SHEBOYGAN, WI 53081	None	PC	Support of Religious Programs - \$50,000 Support of calvary cemetery -\$10,000	\$ 60,000
AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY 515 SUPERIOR AVENUE SHEBOYGAN, WI 53081	None	PC	Support of Cancer Research Programs	\$ 10,000
COMMON HOPE P.O. BOX 14298 ST. PAUL, MN 55114-0298	None	PC	Support of International Relief Programs	\$ 5,000
MARQUETTE UNIVERSITY P.O. BOX 1881 MILWAUKEE, WI 53201-1881	None	PC	Support of Medical Brigade program	\$ 150,000
RONALD McDONALD HOUSE CHARITIES 894B WATERTOWN PLANK ROAD MILWAUKEE, WI 53226	None	PC	Support of Health Care Programs	\$ 5,000
DISABLED AMERICAN VETERANS CHARITABLE SERVICE TRUST 3725 ALEXANDRIA PIKE COLD SPRING, KY 41076	None	PC	Support of Veteran Programs	\$ 25,000
WORLD CRANIOFACIAL FOUNDATION P.O. BOX 515838 DALLAS, TX 75251	None	PC	Support of Surgeries for Children with Facial Deformities	\$ 10,000
ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY OF SHEBOYGAN COUNTY 4215 HIGHWAY 42 NORTH SHEBOYGAN WI 53083	None	PC	Support of Social Services Programs	\$ 10,000
AMERICAN LUNG ASSOCIATION 13100 WEST LISBON ROAD, SUITE 700 BROOKFIELD, WI 53005-2508	None	PC	Support of Health Programs	\$ 15,000
SHARON S RICHARDSON HOSPICE W2850 STATE ROAD 2B SHEBOYGAN FALLS, WI 53085	None	PC	Support of Hospice Services	\$ 10,000
AMERICAN HEART ASSOCIATION 208 S LASALLE STREET, SUITE 1500 CHICAGO, IL 60604-1242	None	PC	Support of Health Programs	\$ 10,000

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SAFE HARBOR OF SHEBOYGAN COUNTY P O BOX 582 SHEBOYGAN, WI 53082	None	PC	Support of Domestic Abuse Prevention, Intervention, & Education Programs	\$ 10,000
COMMUNITY PROJECTS COMMITTEE, INC 3211 S LAKE DRIVE #217 ST FRANCIS, WI 53235	None	PC	Support Programs for the Elderly	\$ 5,000
FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER OF SHEBOYGAN COUNTY, INC 1500 DOUGLAS DRIVE, SUITE B PLYMOUTH, WI 53073	None	PC	Support Programs to Build Strong Families and Communities by Enhancing the Quality of Life for Sheboygan Area Families	\$ 10,000
MAKE A WISH WISCONSIN 13195 W. HAMPTON AVENUE BULTER, WI 53007	None	PC	Support of Programs to Grant Wishes to Children with Life-Threatening Medical Conditions	\$ 5,000
MILWAUKEE CENTER FOR CHILDREN & YOUTH 1908 N WARREN AVENUE MILWAUKEE, WI 53202	None	PC	Support Programs for At-Risk Youth	\$ 5,000
SET MINISTRY, INC 2977 N. 50TH STREET MILWAUKEE, WI 53210	None	PC	Support Programs for Disadvantaged Persons to Develop Self-Sufficiency	\$ 15,000
MEALS ON WHEELS 1004 S. TAYLOR DRIVE SHEBOYGAN, WI 53081	None	PC	Support Program to Provide Affordable Home Delivered Meals to Support Independent Living	\$ 10,000
SALVATION ARMY P.O. BOX 1207 SHEBOYGAN, WI 53082	None	PC	Support Social Service Programs	\$ 5,000
SHEBOYGAN COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY 3110 ERIE AVENUE SHEBOYGAN, WI 53081-3660	None	PC	Operating and maintaining a public museum and providing educational programs	\$ 5,000
FEEDING AMERICA 1700 W FOND DU LAC AVENUE MILWAUKEE, WI 53205	None	PC	Support of programs to feed the hungry in America	\$ 10,000
SHEBOYGAN COUNTY CANCER CARE FUND 1621 N TAYLOR DRIVE, SUITE 100 SHEBOYGAN, WI 53081	None	PC	Support Sheboygan Center Care program	\$ 10,000
PROJECT ANGEL HUGS 307 E.MILL STREET, SUITE I	None	PC	Support of youth cancer programs	\$ 5,000

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PLYMOUTH, WI 53073				
HOLY NAME OF JESUS PARISH / ST CLEMENT 807 SUPERIOR AVENUE SHEBOYGAN, WI 53081	None	PC	Support of religious programs	\$ 10,000
ARCHDIOCESE OF MILWAUKEE P O BOX 673024 MILWAUKEE, WI 53267	None	PC	Support of religious programs - \$25,000 Support of Catholic Stewardship appeal - \$25,000	\$ 50,000
SANTA FE COMMUNICATIONS 1126 S 70TH STREET MILWAUKEE, WI 53214	None	PC	Support of Heart of the Nation media programs	\$ 10,000
ST JUDE CHILDRENS RESEARCH HOSPITAL 262 DANNY THOMAS PLACE MEMPHIS, TN 38105	None	PC	Support of youth cancer programs	\$ 6,500
F.A.R.E (FOOD ALLERGY & RESEARCH EDUCATION) 7925 JONES BRANCH DRIVE, SUITE 1100 MCLEAN, VA 53210	None	PC	Support Safety Inclusion and Research Programs for Persons with Food Allergies	\$ 5,000
PORT CATHOLIC SCHOOL 446 N JOHNSON STREET PORT WASHINGTON, WI 53074	None	PC	Support of educational programs	\$ 5,000
TOTAL GRANTS REPORTED ON 2013 FORM 990-PF				<u>\$ 491,500</u>

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