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

For calendar year 2015 or tax year beginning

, and ending

Name of foundation THE GRETCHEN C. VALADE ENDOWMENT FOR THE ARTS		A Employer identification number 04-3843795
Number and street (or P.O. box number if mail is not delivered to street address) 23100 JEFFERSON AVENUE		B Telephone number 313-271-8460
City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code ST. CLAIR SHORES, MI 48080		C If exemption application is pending, check here ☐
G Check all that apply: ☐ Initial return ☐ Final return ☐ Address change ☐ Initial return of a former public charity ☐ Amended return ☐ Name change		D 1 Foreign organizations, check here ☐ 2. Foreign organizations meeting the 85% test, check here and attach computation ☐
H Check type of organization: ☒ Section 501(c)(3) exempt private foundation ☐ Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust ☐ Other taxable private foundation		E If private foundation status was terminated under section 507(b)(1)(A), check here ☐
I Fair market value of all assets at end of year (from Part II, col (c), line 16) \$ 3,048,699.	J Accounting method: ☒ Cash ☐ Accrual ☐ Other (specify) _____ (Part I, column (d) must be on cash basis)	
F If the foundation is in a 60-month termination under section 507(b)(1)(B), check here ☐		

Part I Analysis of Revenue and Expenses (The total of amounts in columns (b), (c), and (d) may not necessarily equal the amounts in column (a))	(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			N/A	
2 Check ☒ if the foundation is not required to attach Sch. B				
3 Interest on savings and temporary cash investments	44.	44.		STATEMENT 1
4 Dividends and interest from securities	46,904.	46,904.		STATEMENT 2
5a Gross rents				
b Net rental income or (loss)				
6a Net gain or (loss) from sale of assets not on line 10	1,215,892.			
b Gross sales price for all assets on line 6a	2,830,594.			
7 Capital gain net income (from Part IV, line 2)		1,215,892.		
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)				
11 Other income	250,421.	250,421.		STATEMENT 3
12 Total. Add lines 1 through 11	1,513,261.	1,513,261.		
13 Compensation of officers, directors, trustees, etc	0.	0.		0.
14 Other employee salaries and wages				
15 Pension plans, employee benefits				
16a Legal fees STMT 4	715.	358.		357.
b Accounting fees STMT 5	6,792.	3,396.		3,396.
c Other professional fees STMT 6	7,528.	7,528.		0.
17 Interest				
18 Taxes STMT 7	8,950.	655.		0.
19 Depreciation and depletion				
20 Occupancy				
21 Travel, conferences, and meetings				
22 Printing and publications				
23 Other expenses				
24 Total operating and administrative expenses. Add lines 13 through 23	23,985.	11,937.		3,753.
25 Contributions, gifts, grants paid	2,575,017.			2,575,017.
26 Total expenses and disbursements. Add lines 24 and 25	2,599,002.	11,937.		2,578,770.
27 Subtract line 26 from line 12:				
a Excess of revenue over expenses and disbursements	-1,085,741.			
b Net investment income (if negative, enter -0-)		1,501,324.		
c Adjusted net income (if negative, enter -0-)			N/A	

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Part II Balance Sheets		Attached schedules and amounts in the description column should be for end-of-year amounts only		Beginning of year	End of year	
				(a) Book Value	(b) Book Value	(c) Fair Market Value
Assets	1	Cash - non-interest-bearing		1,406.	584.	584.
	2	Savings and temporary cash investments		140,498.	156,755.	156,755.
	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				
	7	Other notes and loans receivable ▶				
		Less: allowance for doubtful accounts ▶				
	8	Inventories for sale or use				
	9	Prepaid expenses and deferred charges				
	10a	Investments - U.S. and state government obligations				
	b	Investments - corporate stock STMT 8	4,075,671.	1,886,923.	1,886,923.	
	c	Investments - corporate bonds STMT 9	689,913.	620,732.	620,732.	
	11	Investments - land, buildings and equipment basis ▶				
	Less: accumulated depreciation ▶					
12	Investments - mortgage loans					
13	Investments - other STMT 10	875,163.	383,705.	383,705.		
14	Land, buildings, and equipment: basis ▶					
	Less: accumulated depreciation ▶					
15	Other assets (describe ▶)					
16	Total assets (to be completed by all filers - see the instructions. Also, see page 1, item I)			5,782,651.	3,048,699.	3,048,699.
Liabilities	17	Accounts payable and accrued expenses				
	18	Grants payable				
	19	Deferred revenue				
	20	Loans from officers, directors, trustees, and other disqualified persons				
	21	Mortgages and other notes payable				
	22	Other liabilities (describe ▶)				
23	Total liabilities (add lines 17 through 22)			0.	0.	
Net Assets or Fund Balances	Foundations that follow SFAS 117, check here ☐ and complete lines 24 through 26 and lines 30 and 31.					
	24	Unrestricted				
	25	Temporarily restricted				
	26	Permanently restricted				
	Foundations that do not follow SFAS 117, check here ☒ and complete lines 27 through 31.					
	27	Capital stock, trust principal, or current funds	5,782,651.	3,048,699.		
	28	Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, bldg., and equipment fund	0.	0.		
	29	Retained earnings, accumulated income, endowment, or other funds	0.	0.		
	30	Total net assets or fund balances	5,782,651.	3,048,699.		
	31	Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances	5,782,651.	3,048,699.		

Part III Analysis of Changes in Net Assets or Fund Balances

1	Total net assets or fund balances at beginning of year - Part II, column (a), line 30 (must agree with end-of-year figure reported on prior year's return)	1	5,782,651.
2	Enter amount from Part I, line 27a	2	-1,085,741.
3	Other increases not included in line 2 (itemize) ▶	3	0.
4	Add lines 1, 2, and 3	4	4,696,910.
5	Decreases not included in line 2 (itemize) ▶ ADJUSTMENT TO FMV FOR BOOKS	5	1,648,211.
6	Total net assets or fund balances at end of year (line 4 minus line 5) - Part II, column (b), line 30	6	3,048,699.

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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.)
1a JP MORGAN PUBLICLY TRADED		P		
b CAPITAL GAINS DIVIDENDS				
c				
d				
e				

(e) Gross sales price	(f) Depreciation allowed (or allowable)	(g) Cost or other basis plus expense of sale	(h) Gain or (loss) (e) plus (f) minus (g)
a 2,812,691.		1,614,702.	1,197,989.
b 17,903.			17,903.
c			
d			
e			

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

(i) F.M.V. as of 12/31/69	(j) Adjusted basis as of 12/31/69	(k) Excess of col. (i) over col. (j), if any	(l) Gains (Col. (h) gain minus col. (k), but not less than -0-) or Losses (from col. (h))
a			1,197,989.
b			17,903.
c			
d			
e			

2 Capital gain net income or (net capital loss)	{ If gain, also enter in Part I, line 7 If (loss), enter -0- in Part I, line 7	2	1,215,892.
3 Net short-term capital gain or (loss) as defined in sections 1222(5) and (6): If gain, also enter in Part I, line 8, column (c). If (loss), enter -0- in Part I, line 8		3	N/A

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

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

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

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

☐ Yes ☒ No

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

1 Enter the appropriate amount in each column for each year; see the instructions before making any entries.

(a) Base period years Calendar year (or tax year beginning in)	(b) Adjusted qualifying distributions	(c) Net value of noncharitable-use assets	(d) Distribution ratio (col. (b) divided by col. (c))
2014	2,248,976.	6,450,728.	.348639
2013	2,604,187.	7,920,283.	.328800
2012	2,253,349.	9,094,371.	.247774
2011	2,073,602.	6,963,356.	.297788
2010	1,950,875.	7,461,816.	.261448

2 Total of line 1, column (d)	2	1.484449
3 Average distribution ratio for the 5-year base period - divide the total on line 2 by 5, or by the number of years the foundation has been in existence if less than 5 years	3	.296890
4 Enter the net value of noncharitable-use assets for 2015 from Part X, line 5	4	4,440,019.
5 Multiply line 4 by line 3	5	1,318,197.
6 Enter 1% of net investment income (1% of Part I, line 27b)	6	15,013.
7 Add lines 5 and 6	7	1,333,210.
8 Enter qualifying distributions from Part XII, line 4	8	2,578,770.

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.

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

1a Exempt operating foundations described in section 4940(d)(2), check here ☐ and enter "N/A" on line 1. Date of ruling or determination letter: _____ (attach copy of letter if necessary-see instructions)			
b Domestic foundations that meet the section 4940(e) requirements in Part V, check here ☒ and enter 1% of Part I, line 27b		1	15,013.
c All other domestic foundations enter 2% of line 27b. Exempt foreign organizations enter 4% of Part I, line 12, col. (b).			
2 Tax under section 511 (domestic section 4947(a)(1) trusts and taxable foundations only. Others enter -0-)		2	0.
3 Add lines 1 and 2		3	15,013.
4 Subtitle A (income) tax (domestic section 4947(a)(1) trusts and taxable foundations only. Others enter -0-)		4	0.
5 Tax based on investment income. Subtract line 4 from line 3. If zero or less, enter -0-		5	15,013.
6 Credits/Payments:			
a 2015 estimated tax payments and 2014 overpayment credited to 2015	6a	6,200.	
b Exempt foreign organizations - tax withheld at source	6b		
c Tax paid with application for extension of time to file (Form 8868)	6c	13,000.	
d Backup withholding erroneously withheld	6d		
7 Total credits and payments. Add lines 6a through 6d	7	19,200.	
8 Enter any penalty for underpayment of estimated tax. Check here ☐ if Form 2220 is attached	8		
9 Tax due. If the total of lines 5 and 8 is more than line 7, enter amount owed	9		
10 Overpayment. If line 7 is more than the total of lines 5 and 8, enter the amount overpaid	10	4,187.	
11 Enter the amount of line 10 to be: Credited to 2016 estimated tax	11	4,187.	Refunded

Part VII-A Statements Regarding Activities

	Yes	No
1a During the tax year, did the foundation attempt to influence any national, state, or local legislation or did it participate or intervene in any political campaign?		X
b Did it spend more than \$100 during the year (either directly or indirectly) for political purposes (see instructions for the definition)? 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		X
c Did the foundation file Form 1120-POL for this year?		X
d Enter the amount (if any) of tax on political expenditures (section 4955) imposed during the year: (1) On the foundation. \$ 0. (2) On foundation managers. \$ 0.		
e Enter the reimbursement (if any) paid by the foundation during the year for political expenditure tax imposed on foundation managers. \$ 0.		
2 Has the foundation engaged in any activities that have not previously been reported to the IRS? If "Yes," attach a detailed description of the activities	2	X
3 Has the foundation made any changes, not previously reported to the IRS, in its governing instrument, articles of incorporation, or bylaws, or other similar instruments? If "Yes," attach a conformed copy of the changes	3	X
4a Did the foundation have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year?	4a	X
b If "Yes," has it filed a tax return on Form 990-T for this year?	4b	
5 Was there a liquidation, termination, dissolution, or substantial contraction during the year? If "Yes," attach the statement required by General Instruction T	5	X
6 Are the requirements of section 508(e) (relating to sections 4941 through 4945) satisfied either: • By language in the governing instrument, or • By state legislation that effectively amends the governing instrument so that no mandatory directions that conflict with the state law remain in the governing instrument?	6	X
7 Did the foundation have at least \$5,000 in assets at any time during the year? If "Yes," complete Part II, col (c), and Part XV	7	X
8a Enter the states to which the foundation reports or with which it is registered (see instructions) MI		
b If the answer is "Yes" to line 7, has the foundation furnished a copy of Form 990-PF to the Attorney General (or designate) of each state as required by General Instruction G? If "No," attach explanation	8b	X
9 Is the foundation claiming status as a private operating foundation within the meaning of section 4942(j)(3) or 4942(j)(5) for calendar year 2015 or the taxable year beginning in 2015 (see instructions for Part XIV)? If "Yes," complete Part XIV	9	X
10 Did any persons become substantial contributors during the tax year? If "Yes," attach a schedule listing their names and addresses	10	X

N/A

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Part VII-A Statements Regarding Activities (continued)

	Yes	No
11 At any time during the year, did the foundation, directly or indirectly, own a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? If "Yes," attach schedule (see instructions)		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)		X
13 Did the foundation comply with the public inspection requirements for its annual returns and exemption application? Website address N/A	X	
14 The books are in care of ELIZABETH BERRY Telephone no. 313-647-0149 Located at 23100 JEFFERSON AVENUE, ST. CLAIR SHORES, MI ZIP+4 48080		
15 Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts filing Form 990-PF in lieu of Form 1041 - Check here and enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the year 15 N/A		
16 At any time during calendar year 2015, 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. If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country 16		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? ☐ Yes ☒ No (2) Borrow money from, lend money to, or otherwise extend credit to (or accept it from) a disqualified person? ☐ Yes ☒ No (3) Furnish goods, services, or facilities to (or accept them from) a disqualified person? ☐ Yes ☒ No (4) Pay compensation to, or pay or reimburse the expenses of, a disqualified person? ☒ Yes ☐ No (5) Transfer any income or assets to a disqualified person (or make any of either available for the benefit or use of a disqualified person)? ☐ Yes ☒ No (6) Agree to pay money or property to a government official? (Exception. Check "No" if the foundation agreed to make a grant to or to employ the official for a period after termination of government service, if terminating within 90 days.) ☐ Yes ☒ No		
b If any answer is "Yes" to 1a(1)-(6), did any of the acts fail to qualify under the exceptions described in Regulations section 53.4941(d)-3 or in a current notice regarding disaster assistance (see instructions)? Organizations relying on a current notice regarding disaster assistance check here 1b		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 2015? 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 2015, did the foundation have any undistributed income (lines 6d and 6e, Part XIII) for tax year(s) beginning before 2015? ☐ Yes ☒ No If "Yes," list the years 2a 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.) N/A 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. 2c		
3a Did the foundation hold more than a 2% direct or indirect interest in any business enterprise at any time during the year? ☐ Yes ☒ No b If "Yes," did it have excess business holdings in 2015 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 2015) N/A 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 2015? 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)?

N/A

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?

N/A

☐ Yes ☐ No

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

6a Did the foundation, during the year, receive any funds, directly or indirectly, to pay premiums on a personal benefit contract?

☐ Yes ☒ No

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

6b

X

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?

N/A

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.

(a) Name and address	(b) Title, and average hours per week devoted to position	(c) Compensation (If not paid, enter -0-)	(d) Contributions to employee benefit plans and deferred compensation	(e) Expense account, other allowances
SEE STATEMENT 12		0.	0.	0.

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

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

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

0

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

3 Five highest-paid independent contractors for professional services. 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 0

Part IX-A Summary of Direct Charitable Activities

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

	Expenses
1 N/A	
2	
3	
4	

Part IX-B Summary of Program-Related Investments

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

	Amount
1 N/A	
2	
All other program-related investments. See instructions.	
3	
Total. Add lines 1 through 3	0.

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

1	Fair market value of assets not used (or held for use) directly in carrying out charitable, etc., purposes:		
a	Average monthly fair market value of securities	1a	4,505,699.
b	Average of monthly cash balances	1b	1,935.
c	Fair market value of all other assets	1c	
d	Total (add lines 1a, b, and c)	1d	4,507,634.
e	Reduction claimed for blockage or other factors reported on lines 1a and 1c (attach detailed explanation)	1e	0.
2	Acquisition indebtedness applicable to line 1 assets	2	0.
3	Subtract line 2 from line 1d	3	4,507,634.
4	Cash deemed held for charitable activities. Enter 1 1/2% of line 3 (for greater amount, see instructions)	4	67,615.
5	Net value of noncharitable-use assets. Subtract line 4 from line 3. Enter here and on Part V, line 4	5	4,440,019.
6	Minimum investment return. Enter 5% of line 5	6	222,001.

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

1	Minimum investment return from Part X, line 6	1	222,001.
2a	Tax on investment income for 2015 from Part VI, line 5	2a	15,013.
b	Income tax for 2015. (This does not include the tax from Part VI.)	2b	
c	Add lines 2a and 2b	2c	15,013.
3	Distributable amount before adjustments. Subtract line 2c from line 1	3	206,988.
4	Recoveries of amounts treated as qualifying distributions	4	0.
5	Add lines 3 and 4	5	206,988.
6	Deduction from distributable amount (see instructions)	6	0.
7	Distributable amount as adjusted. Subtract line 6 from line 5. Enter here and on Part XIII, line 1	7	206,988.

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

1	Amounts paid (including administrative expenses) to accomplish charitable, etc., purposes:		
a	Expenses, contributions, gifts, etc. - total from Part I, column (d), line 26	1a	2,578,770.
b	Program-related investments - total from Part IX-B	1b	0.
2	Amounts paid to acquire assets used (or held for use) directly in carrying out charitable, etc., purposes	2	
3	Amounts set aside for specific charitable projects that satisfy the:		
a	Suitability test (prior IRS approval required)	3a	
b	Cash distribution test (attach the required schedule)	3b	
4	Qualifying distributions. Add lines 1a through 3b. Enter here and on Part V, line 8, and Part XIII, line 4	4	2,578,770.
5	Foundations that qualify under section 4940(e) for the reduced rate of tax on net investment income. Enter 1% of Part I, line 27b	5	15,013.
6	Adjusted qualifying distributions. Subtract line 5 from line 4	6	2,563,757.

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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Part XIII Undistributed Income (see instructions)

	(a) Corpus	(b) Years prior to 2014	(c) 2014	(d) 2015
1 Distributable amount for 2015 from Part XI, line 7				206,988.
2 Undistributed income, if any, as of the end of 2015				
a Enter amount for 2014 only			0.	
b Total for prior years:		0.		
3 Excess distributions carryover, if any, to 2015:				
a From 2010	1,579,962.			
b From 2011	1,736,766.			
c From 2012	1,808,526.			
d From 2013	2,216,287.			
e From 2014	1,938,790.			
f Total of lines 3a through e	9,280,331.			
4 Qualifying distributions for 2015 from Part XII, line 4: ▶ \$	2,578,770.			
a Applied to 2014, but not more than line 2a			0.	
b Applied to undistributed income of prior years (Election required - see instructions)		0.		
c Treated as distributions out of corpus (Election required - see instructions)	0.			
d Applied to 2015 distributable amount				206,988.
e Remaining amount distributed out of corpus	2,371,782.			
5 Excess distributions carryover applied to 2015 (If an amount appears in column (d), the same amount must be shown in column (a).)	0.			0.
6 Enter the net total of each column as indicated below:				
a Corpus Add lines 3f, 4c and 4e Subtract line 5	11,652,113.			
b Prior years' undistributed income. Subtract line 4b from line 2b		0.		
c Enter the amount of prior years' undistributed income for which a notice of deficiency has been issued, or on which the section 4942(a) tax has been previously assessed		0.		
d Subtract line 6c from line 6b. Taxable amount - see instructions		0.		
e Undistributed income for 2014. Subtract line 4a from line 2a. Taxable amount - see instr.			0.	
f Undistributed income for 2015. Subtract lines 4d and 5 from line 1. This amount must be distributed in 2016				0.
7 Amounts treated as distributions out of corpus to satisfy requirements imposed by section 170(b)(1)(F) or 4942(g)(3) (Election may be required - see instructions)	0.			
8 Excess distributions carryover from 2010 not applied on line 5 or line 7	1,579,962.			
9 Excess distributions carryover to 2016. Subtract lines 7 and 8 from line 6a	10,072,151.			
10 Analysis of line 9:				
a Excess from 2011	1,736,766.			
b Excess from 2012	1,808,526.			
c Excess from 2013	2,216,287.			
d Excess from 2014	1,938,790.			
e Excess from 2015	2,371,782.			

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N/A

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

☐ 4942(j)(3) or ☐ 4942(j)(5)

- [illegible]

1 Information Regarding Foundation Managers:

- GRETCHEN C. VALADE

- NONE

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.

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

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Part XV Supplementary Information (continued)

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

Recipient Name and address (home or business)	If recipient is an individual, show any relationship to any foundation manager or substantial contributor	Foundation status of recipient	Purpose of grant or contribution	Amount
a Paid during the year				
DETROIT INTERNATIONAL JAZZ FESTIVAL FOUNDATION 19900 HARPER AVENUE HARPER WOODS, MI 48225	NONE	PC	TO SUPPORT DETROIT INTERNATIONAL JAZZ FESTIVAL	2,575,017.
Total			3a	2,575,017.
b Approved for future payment				
NONE				
Total			3b	0.

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1 Did the organization directly or indirectly engage in any of the following with any other organization described in section 501(c) of the Code (other than section 501(c)(3) organizations) or in section 527, relating to political organizations?

Yes	No
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a Transfers from the reporting foundation to a noncharitable exempt organization of:

(1) Cash

1a(1)	X
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(2) Other assets

1a(2)		X
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b Other transactions:

(1) Sales of assets to a noncharitable exempt organization

1b(1)	X
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(2) Purchases of assets from a noncharitable exempt organization

1b(2)	X
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(3) Rental of facilities, equipment, or other assets

1b(3)	X
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(4) Reimbursement arrangements

1b(4)	X
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(5) Loans or loan guarantees

1b(5)	X
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(6) Performance of services or membership or fundraising solicitations

1b(6)	X
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c Sharing of facilities, equipment, mailing lists, other assets, or paid employees

1c		X
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d If the answer to any of the above is "Yes," complete the following schedule. Column **(b)** should always show the fair market value of the goods, other assets, or services given by the reporting foundation. If the foundation received less than fair market value in any transaction or sharing arrangement, show in column **(d)** the value of the goods, other assets, or services received.

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.

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.

**Sign
Here**

and belief, it is true, correct, and complete Declaration of preparer (other than the taxpayer) if the preparer is not the taxpayer's principal preparer. If the preparer is the taxpayer's principal preparer, the preparer must also sign the declaration.

 Gretchen C. Valdez

Signature of officer or trustee

Date 11-11-16

 **OFFICER**
 Title

May the IRS discuss this return with the preparer shown below (see instr)?

☒ Yes ☐ No

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FORM 990-PF INTEREST ON SAVINGS AND TEMPORARY CASH INVESTMENTS STATEMENT 1

SOURCE	(A) REVENUE PER BOOKS	(B) NET INVESTMENT INCOME	(C) ADJUSTED NET INCOME
JP MORGAN	44.	44.	
TOTAL TO PART I, LINE 3	44.	44.	

FORM 990-PF DIVIDENDS AND INTEREST FROM SECURITIES STATEMENT 2

SOURCE	GROSS AMOUNT	CAPITAL GAINS DIVIDENDS	(A) REVENUE PER BOOKS	(B) NET INVEST- MENT INCOME	(C) ADJUSTED NET INCOME
JP MORGAN	64,807.	17,903.	46,904.	46,904.	
TO PART I, LINE 4	64,807.	17,903.	46,904.	46,904.	

FORM 990-PF OTHER INCOME STATEMENT 3

DESCRIPTION	(A) REVENUE PER BOOKS	(B) NET INVEST- MENT INCOME	(C) ADJUSTED NET INCOME
ASSET DISTRIBUTIONS CLAYTON	250,421.	250,421.	
TOTAL TO FORM 990-PF, PART I, LINE 11	250,421.	250,421.	

FORM 990-PF LEGAL FEES STATEMENT 4

DESCRIPTION	(A) EXPENSES PER BOOKS	(B) NET INVEST- MENT INCOME	(C) ADJUSTED NET INCOME	(D) CHARITABLE PURPOSES
LEGAL FEES	715.	358.		357.
TO FM 990-PF, PG 1, LN 16A	715.	358.		357.

FORM 990-PF	ACCOUNTING FEES	STATEMENT	5
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DESCRIPTION	(A) EXPENSES PER BOOKS	(B) NET INVEST- MENT INCOME	(C) ADJUSTED NET INCOME	(D) CHARITABLE PURPOSES
ACCOUNTING FEES	6,792.	3,396.		3,396.
TO FORM 990-PF, PG 1, LN 16B	6,792.	3,396.		3,396.

FORM 990-PF	OTHER PROFESSIONAL FEES	STATEMENT	6
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DESCRIPTION	(A) EXPENSES PER BOOKS	(B) NET INVEST- MENT INCOME	(C) ADJUSTED NET INCOME	(D) CHARITABLE PURPOSES
INVESTMENT EXPENSES	7,528.	7,528.		0.
TO FORM 990-PF, PG 1, LN 16C	7,528.	7,528.		0.

FORM 990-PF	TAXES	STATEMENT	7
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DESCRIPTION	(A) EXPENSES PER BOOKS	(B) NET INVEST- MENT INCOME	(C) ADJUSTED NET INCOME	(D) CHARITABLE PURPOSES
FOREIGN TAX PAID	655.	655.		0.
FEDERAL TAXES	8,295.	0.		0.
TO FORM 990-PF, PG 1, LN 18	8,950.	655.		0.

FORM 990-PF	CORPORATE STOCK	STATEMENT	8
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DESCRIPTION	BOOK VALUE	FAIR MARKET VALUE
JP MORGAN - SEE ATTACHED	1,886,923.	1,886,923.
TOTAL TO FORM 990-PF, PART II, LINE 10B	1,886,923.	1,886,923.

FORM 990-PF	CORPORATE BONDS	STATEMENT	9
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DESCRIPTION	BOOK VALUE	FAIR MARKET VALUE
JP MORGAN - SEE ATTACHED	620,732.	620,732.
TOTAL TO FORM 990-PF, PART II, LINE 10C	620,732.	620,732.

FORM 990-PF	OTHER INVESTMENTS	STATEMENT	10
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DESCRIPTION	VALUATION METHOD	BOOK VALUE	FAIR MARKET VALUE
JP MORGAN - SEE ATTACHED	FMV	383,705.	383,705.
TOTAL TO FORM 990-PF, PART II, LINE 13		383,705.	383,705.

FORM 990-PF	STATEMENT CONCERNING LIQUIDATION, TERMINATION, ETC. - PART VII-A, LINE 5	STATEMENT	11
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EXPLANATION

DURING THE YEAR, THE FOUNDATION'S INVESTMENT IN CORPORATE STOCK DECREASED 2,188,748. ASSET WAS SOLD DURING THE YEAR IN NORMAL COURSE OF THE ACTIVITY OF MAKING GRANTS TO PUBLIC CHARITIES.

FORM 990-PF

PART VIII - LIST OF OFFICERS, DIRECTORS
TRUSTEES AND FOUNDATION MANAGERS

STATEMENT 12

NAME AND ADDRESS	TITLE AND AVRG HRS/WK	COMPEN- SATION	EMPLOYEE BEN PLAN CONTRIB	EXPENSE ACCOUNT
THOMAS A. ROBINSON 23100 JEFFERSON AVENUE ST. CLAIR SHORES, MI 48080	PRESIDENT 1.00	0.	0.	0.
DAVID P. SUTHERLAND 23100 JEFFERSON AVENUE ST. CLAIR SHORES, MI 48080	SECRETARY 1.00	0.	0.	0.
GRETCHEN C. VALADE 23100 JEFFERSON AVENUE ST. CLAIR SHORES, MI 48080	CHAIRPERSON/TREASURER 2.00	0.	0.	0.
CHRISTOPHER COLLINS 19900 HARPER AVENUE HARPER WOODS, MI 48225	DIRECTOR 1.00	0.	0.	0.
ANTHONY MICHAELS 23102 JEFFERSON AVENUE ST. CLAIR SHORES, MI 48080	DIRECTOR 1.00	0.	0.	0.
JAMES SPICA 500 WOODWARD DETROIT, MI 48226	DIRECTOR 1.00	0.	0.	0.
TOTALS INCLUDED ON 990-PF, PAGE 6, PART VIII		0.	0.	0.



G. VALADE ENDOWMENT FOR THE ARTS 4001
For the Period 12/1/15 to 12/31/15

Equity Detail

	Price	Quantity	Value	Adjusted Tax Cost Original Cost	Unrealized Gain/Loss	Est Annual Inc. Accrued Div.	Yield
US Large Cap Equity							
ISHARES SELECT DIVIDEND ETF 464287-16-8 DVY	75 15	776 000	58,316.40	42,036.23	16,280.17	2,009.84	3.45%
JPM US LARGE CAP CORE PLUS FD - SEL FUND 1002 4812A2-38-9 JLPS X	26 81	6,523 866	174,904.85	135,739.55	39,165.30	404.47	0.23%
SPDR S&P 500 ETF TRUST 78462F-10-3 SPY	203 87	2,047 000	417,321.89	316,998.05	100,323.84	8,609.68 2,480.04	2.06%
Total US Large Cap Equity			\$650,543.14	\$494,773.83	\$155,769.31	\$11,023.99 \$2,480.04	1.69%
US Mid Cap Equity							
ISHARES RUSSELL MIDCAP INDEX FUND 464287-49-9 IWR	160 18	1,112 000	178,120.16	88,830.27	89,289.89	2,834.48	1.59%
EAFE Equity							
DEUTSCHE X-TRACKERS MSCI EAF 233051-20-0 DBEF	27 16	2,549 000	69,230.84	76,522.52	(7,291.68)	2,255.86	3.26%
ISHARES MSCI EAFE INDEX FUND 464287-46-5 EFA	58 72	1,490 000	87,492.80	83,458.14	4,034.66	2,413.80	2.76%
MFS INTL VALUE-I 55273E-82-2 MINI X	35 72	4,173 756	149,086.56	103,383.93	45,702.63	2,224.61	1.49%

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	Price	Quantity	Value	Adjusted Tax Cost Original Cost	Unrealized Gain/Loss	Est Annual Inc Accrued Div.	Yield
EAFE Equity							
OAKMARK INTERNATIONAL-I 413838-20-2 OAKI X	21.36	3,097,442	66,161.36	78,272.36	(12,111.00)	1,536.33	2.32%
Total EAFE Equity			\$371,971.56	\$341,636.95	\$30,334.61	\$8,430.60	2.27%
European Large Cap Equity							
VANGUARD FTSE EUROPE ETF 922042-87-4 VGK	49.88	432,000	21,548.16	23,923.67	(2,375.51)	700.70	3.25%
Japanese Large Cap Equity							
BROWN ADV JAPAN ALPHA OPP-IS 115233-57-9 BAFJ X	10.88	3,705,057	40,311.02	38,532.58	1,778.44	3,516.09	8.72%

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Note ¹ This is the Annual Percentage Yield (APY) which is the rate earned if balances remain on deposit for a full year with compounding, there is no change in the interest rate and all interest is left in the account.

Cash & Fixed Income Detail

	Price	Quantity	Value	Adjusted Tax Cost	Unrealized Gain/Loss	Est. Annual Income	Yield
				Original Cost		Accrued Interest	
Cash							
US DOLLAR	1 00	156,349.39	156,349.39	156,349.39		46.90 3.74	0.03 % ¹
US Fixed Income							
ISHARES BARCLAYS TIPS BOND FUND 464287-17-6	109.68	531.00	58,240.08	62,271.81	(4,031.73)	195.93	0.34 %
JPM STRAT INC OPP FD - SEL FUND 3844 4812A4-35-1	11.09	10,348.94	114,769.77	122,427.98	(7,658.21)	3,942.94	3.44 %
JPM SHORT DURATION BD FD - SEL FUND 3133 4812C1-33-0	10.81	11,270.68	121,836.07	122,942.00	(1,105.93)	1,104.52	0.91 %
BLACKROCK HIGH YIELD PT-BLAC 091929-68-7	7.13	7,825.83	55,798.15	60,650.16	(4,852.01)	3,247.71	5.82 %
DOUBLELINE TOTL RET BND-I 258620-10-3	10.78	12,585.62	135,673.02	139,196.99	(3,523.97)	5,638.35	4.16 %
PIMCO SHORT-TERM FD-INSTL 693390-60-1	9.73	13,814.44	134,414.52	136,072.25	(1,657.73)	1,561.03	1.16 %
Total US Fixed Income			\$620,731.61	\$643,561.19	(\$22,829.58)	\$15,690.48	2.53 %

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G. VALADE ENDOWMENT FOR THE ARTS 3006
For the Period 12/1/15 to 12/31/15

Equity Summary

Asset Categories	Beginning Market Value	Ending Market Value	Change In Value	Current Allocation
US Large Cap Equity	750,908.55	624,429.40	(126,479.15)	61%

Market Value/Cost	Current Period Value
Market Value	624,429.40
Tax Cost	176,369.36
Unrealized Gain/Loss	448,060.04

Note G indicates a position that contains gifted shares

Equity Detail

	Price	Quantity	Value	Adjusted Tax Cost Original Cost	Unrealized Gain/Loss	Est Annual Inc Accrued Div	Yield
US Large Cap Equity							
G BERKSHIRE HATHAWAY INC-CL A 084670-10-8 BRK A	197,800.00	3.000	593,400.00	165,000.18	428,399.82		
G BERKSHIRE HATHAWAY INC-CL B 084670-70-2 BRK B	132.04	235.000	31,029.40	11,369.18	19,660.22		
Total US Large Cap Equity			\$624,429.40	\$176,369.36	\$448,060.04	\$0.00	0.00%

G The position contains gifted shares. Pursuant to IRS Publication 551, the Tax Cost of gifted shares is equal to either the adjusted cost basis or the fair market value of the shares at the time they were gifted, depending on whether the shares experienced a gain or loss in the value since that time.

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G. VALADE ENDOWMENT FOR THE ARTS 3006
For the Period 12/1/15 to 12/31/15

Alternative Assets Summary

Asset Categories	Beginning Estimated Value	Ending Estimated Value	Change In Value	Current Allocation
Private Investments	383,705.00	383,705.00	0.00	38%

Alternative Assets Detail

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G. VALADE ENDOWMENT FOR THE ARTS

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For the Period 12/1/15 to 12/31/15

Fund Strategy/Vintage	Capital Commitment Unfunded Commitment	(Net Capital Called Since Inception) Net Distribution	(Net Capital Called)/ Distributed Since Inception	Estimated Capital Account Balance as of date	Net Contribution/ (Distribution) Since Last Capital Account Balance Date	Estimated Value Estimated Profit/ (Loss)
Private Investments						
CLAYTON, DUBILIER & RICE (CD&R)	500,000.00	(406,804.83)	158,185.38	408,972.50	(25,267.50)	383,705.00
FUND 8, LP	93,195.17	564,990.21		09/30/15		541,890.38
(OFFSHORE INVESTORS)						
N/O Client						
325691-93-9						
LBO/2008						

"Unfunded Commitment" is only available for Private Equity Funds denominated in USD. "Estimated Profit/(Loss)" is the comparison of your cash adjusted "Estimated Value" to your "Net Capital Called/Distributed Since Inception". This is an estimated value and is not intended to be used for the purposes of estimated taxable income nor as a substitute for Schedule K-1. "Vintage Year" refers to the first year in which the private equity fund called capital. Amounts shown above under "Estimated Capital Account Balance" for private equity funds are estimates of your value in the fund and are based on the latest fund-level values provided by the relevant funds as of the date noted below the value, which values may be as of a date (underlying fund value date) prior to the period covered by this statement. Therefore, such "Estimated Capital Account Balance" may not reflect the value of your interest for a specific private equity investment for the similar period. For additional information, please contact your J.P. Morgan representative.

Amounts shown above under "Estimated Value" for private equity funds are estimates based on the latest fund values received from each underlying fund, which values may be as of a date (underlying fund value date) prior to the period covered by this statement. The values provided by the underlying fund have been adjusted for any cash flows between your account and such fund that have occurred subsequent to the underlying fund value date to derive the "Estimated Value". Therefore, such "Estimated Value" may not reflect the value of your interest shown on any fund's actual books and records as of the date of this statement. For additional information, please contact your J.P. Morgan representative. For private equity funds, amounts shown under "Estimated Value" are based on estimates provided by the underlying funds that are generally presented on a US GAAP basis, which records investments at fair value, or "marked-to-market". Most of these underlying funds also present their audited financial statements on a US GAAP basis (i.e., "marked-to-market"). However, some of these underlying funds present their audited financial statements using the Income Tax Basis of Accounting, which records investments "at cost" based on the accrual basis of accounting for Federal income taxes. Where the underlying fund provides periodic estimates on a "marked-to-market" basis but reflects investments "at cost" in its audited financial statements, the marked-to-market "Estimated Value" shown herein for a private equity fund may be materially different from the value reflected on such fund's audited financial statements (which are also based on the audited financial statements of the underlying fund).

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