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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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For calendar year 2015, or tax year beginning 01-01-2015, and ending 12-31-2015

Name of foundation The Appleseeds Foundation		A Employer identification number 20-1841471
Number and street (or P O box number if mail is not delivered to street address) Room/suite 363 Dices Spring Road		B Telephone number (see instructions) (540) 433-8402
City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code Weyers Cave, VA 24486		C If exemption application is pending, check here <input type="checkbox"/>
G Check all that apply: <input type="checkbox"/> Initial return <input type="checkbox"/> Initial return of a former public charity <input type="checkbox"/> Final return <input type="checkbox"/> A amended return <input type="checkbox"/> Address change <input type="checkbox"/> Name change		D 1. Foreign organizations, check here <input type="checkbox"/> 2. Foreign organizations meeting the 85% test, check here and attach computation <input type="checkbox"/>
H 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		E If private foundation status was terminated under section 507(b)(1)(A), check here <input type="checkbox"/>
I Fair market value of all assets at end of year (from Part II, col. (c), line 16) \$ 3,779,064	J 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.)	F If the foundation is in a 60-month termination under section 507(b)(1)(B), check here <input type="checkbox"/>

Part I Analysis of Revenue and Expenses <i>(The total of amounts in columns (b), (c), and (d) may not necessarily equal the amounts in column (a) (see instructions))</i>		Revenue and expenses per (a) books	Net investment (b) income	Adjusted net (c) income	Disbursements for charitable purposes (d) (cash basis only)
Revenue	1 Contributions, gifts, grants, etc., received (attach schedule)	155,565			
	2 Check <input type="checkbox"/> if the foundation is not required to attach Sch B				
	3 Interest on savings and temporary cash investments	16	16		
	4 Dividends and interest from securities	88,048	88,048		
	5a Gross rents				
	b Net rental income or (loss) _____				
	6a Net gain or (loss) from sale of assets not on line 10 _____	91,987			
	b Gross sales price for all assets on line 6a _____ 346,210				
	7 Capital gain net income (from Part IV, line 2)		91,987		
	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	335,616	180,051			
Operating and Administrative Expenses	13 Compensation of officers, directors, trustees, etc	0	0		0
	14 Other employee salaries and wages				
	15 Pension plans, employee benefits				
	16a Legal fees (attach schedule).				
	b Accounting fees (attach schedule).	1,875	0		1,875
	c Other professional fees (attach schedule)				
	17 Interest				
	18 Taxes (attach schedule) (see instructions)	2,470	532		0
	19 Depreciation (attach schedule) and depletion				
	20 Occupancy				
	21 Travel, conferences, and meetings.				
	22 Printing and publications				
	23 Other expenses (attach schedule).	18,924	18,924		0
	24 Total operating and administrative expenses. Add lines 13 through 23	23,269	19,456		1,875
25 Contributions, gifts, grants paid	171,087			171,087	
26 Total expenses and disbursements. Add lines 24 and 25	194,356	19,456		172,962	
27 Subtract line 26 from line 12					
a Excess of revenue over expenses and disbursements	141,260				
b Net investment income (if negative, enter -0-)		160,595			
c Adjusted net income (if negative, enter -0-)					

Part II Balance Sheets Attached schedules and amounts in the description column should be for end-of-year amounts only (See instructions)		Beginning of year		End of year	
		(a) Book Value	(b) Book Value	(c) Fair Market Value	
Assets	1 Cash—non-interest-bearing	3,083	4,330	4,330	
	2 Savings and temporary cash investments	55,462	223,363	223,363	
	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				
	10a Investments—U S and state government obligations (attach schedule)				
	b Investments—corporate stock (attach schedule)	2,919,256	2,889,738	3,388,496	
	c Investments—corporate bonds (attach schedule)				
	11 Investments—land, buildings, and equipment basis ▶ _____ Less accumulated depreciation (attach schedule) ▶ _____				
	12 Investments—mortgage loans				
	13 Investments—other (attach schedule)	173,516	173,502	162,421	
	14 Land, buildings, and equipment basis ▶ _____ Less accumulated depreciation (attach schedule) ▶ _____				
15 Other assets (describe ▶ _____)	547	454	454		
16 Total assets (to be completed by all filers—see the instructions Also, see page 1, item I)	3,151,864	3,291,387	3,779,064		
Liabilities	17 Accounts payable and accrued expenses				
	18 Grants payable				
	19 Deferred revenue				
	20 Loans from officers, directors, trustees, and other disqualified persons				
	21 Mortgages and other notes payable (attach schedule).				
	22 Other liabilities (describe ▶ _____)				
	23 Total liabilities (add lines 17 through 22)	0	0		
Net Assets or Fund Balances	Foundations that follow SFAS 117, check here <input type="checkbox"/> 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 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 27 through 31.				
	27 Capital stock, trust principal, or current funds	0	0		
	28 Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, bldg, and equipment fund	0	0		
	29 Retained earnings, accumulated income, endowment, or other funds	3,151,864	3,291,387		
	30 Total net assets or fund balances (see instructions)	3,151,864	3,291,387		
31 Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances (see instructions)	3,151,864	3,291,387			

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	3,151,864
2	Enter amount from Part I, line 27a	2	141,260
3	Other increases not included in line 2 (itemize) ▶ _____	3	66,519
4	Add lines 1, 2, and 3	4	3,359,643
5	Decreases not included in line 2 (itemize) ▶ _____	5	68,256
6	Total net assets or fund balances at end of year (line 4 minus line 5)—Part II, column (b), line 30	6	3,291,387

Part IV Capital Gains and Losses for Tax on Investment Income

List and describe the kind(s) of property sold (e.g., real estate, (a) 2-story brick warehouse, or common stock, 200 shs MLC Co.)		How acquired (b) P—Purchase D—Donation	Date acquired (c) (mo., day, yr.)	Date sold (d) (mo., day, yr.)
1 a	Publicly Traded Securities			
b	Capital Gains Dividends	P		
c				
d				
e				

(e) Gross sales price	(f) Depreciation allowed (or allowable)	(g) Cost or other basis plus expense of sale	(h) Gain or (loss) (e) plus (f) minus (g)
a 341,675		254,223	87,452
b 4,535			4,535
c			
d			
e			

Complete only for assets showing gain in column (h) and owned by the foundation on 12/31/69			(l) Gains (Col (h) gain minus col (k), but not less than -0-) or Losses (from col (h))
(i) FMV as of 12/31/69	(j) Adjusted basis as of 12/31/69	(k) Excess of col (i) over col (j), if any	
a			87,452
b			4,535
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	91,987
3	Net short-term capital gain or (loss) as defined in sections 1222(5) and (6) If gain, also enter in Part I, line 8, column (c) (see instructions) If (loss), enter -0- in Part I, line 8		}	3

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

(For optional use by domestic private foundations subject to the section 4940(a) tax on net investment income)
If section 4940(d)(2) applies, leave this part blank

Was the foundation liable for the section 4942 tax on the distributable amount of any year in the base period? Yes No
If "Yes," the foundation does not qualify under section 4940(e) Do not complete this part

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

(a) Base period years Calendar year (or tax year beginning in)	(b) Adjusted qualifying distributions	(c) Net value of noncharitable-use assets	(d) Distribution ratio (col (b) divided by col (c))
2014	161,920	3,669,003	0.044132
2013	120,700	3,272,694	0.036881
2012	111,000	2,550,087	0.043528
2011	42,000	2,307,407	0.018202
2010	157,461	2,107,782	0.074705

2	Total of line 1, column (d).	2	0.217448
3	Average distribution ratio for the 5-year base period—divide the total on line 2 by 5, or by the number of years the foundation has been in existence if less than 5 years	3	0.043490
4	Enter the net value of noncharitable-use assets for 2015 from Part X, line 5.	4	3,724,396
5	Multiply line 4 by line 3.	5	161,974
6	Enter 1% of net investment income (1% of Part I, line 27b).	6	1,606
7	Add lines 5 and 6.	7	163,580
8	Enter qualifying distributions from Part XII, line 4.	8	172,962

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

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

1a	Exempt operating foundations described in section 4940(d)(2), check here <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	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	1	1,606
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	1,606
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	1,606
6	Credits/Payments		
a	2015 estimated tax payments and 2014 overpayment credited to 2015	6a	4,680
b	Exempt foreign organizations—tax withheld at source	6b	
c	Tax paid with application for extension of time to file (Form 8868).	6c	
d	Backup withholding erroneously withheld	6d	
7	Total credits and payments. Add lines 6a through 6d.	7	4,680
8	Enter any penalty for underpayment of estimated tax. Check here <input type="checkbox"/> 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	3,074
11	Enter the amount of line 10 to be Credited to 2015 estimated tax <input type="checkbox"/> 1,640 Refunded <input type="checkbox"/>	11	1,434

Part VII-A Statements Regarding Activities

1a	During the tax year, did the foundation attempt to influence any national, state, or local legislation or did it participate or intervene in any political campaign?	1a	Yes	No
b	Did it spend more than \$100 during the year (either directly or indirectly) for political purposes (see Instructions for definition)? <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>	1b		No
c	Did the foundation file Form 1120-POL for this year?	1c		No
d	Enter the amount (if any) of tax on political expenditures (section 4955) imposed during the year (1) On the foundation <input type="checkbox"/> \$ _____ (2) On foundation managers <input type="checkbox"/> \$ _____			
e	Enter the reimbursement (if any) paid by the foundation during the year for political expenditure tax imposed on foundation managers <input type="checkbox"/> \$ _____			
2	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>	2		No
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? <i>If "Yes," attach a conformed copy of the changes</i>	3		No
4a	Did the foundation have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year?	4a		No
b	If "Yes," has it filed a tax return on Form 990-T for this year?	4b		
5	Was there a liquidation, termination, dissolution, or substantial contraction during the year? <i>If "Yes," attach the statement required by General Instruction T.</i>	5		No
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		No
7	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>	7	Yes	
8a	Enter the states to which the foundation reports or with which it is registered (see instructions) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> VA _____			
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? <i>If "No," attach explanation.</i>	8b	Yes	
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)? <i>If "Yes," complete Part XIV</i>	9		No
10	Did any persons become substantial contributors during the tax year? <i>If "Yes," attach a schedule listing their names and addresses.</i>	10		No

Part VII-A Statements Regarding Activities (continued)

11	At any time during the year, did the foundation, directly or indirectly, own a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? If "Yes," attach schedule (see instructions).	11		No
12	Did the foundation make a distribution to a donor advised fund over which the foundation or a disqualified person had advisory privileges? If "Yes," attach statement (see instructions)	12		No
13	Did the foundation comply with the public inspection requirements for its annual returns and exemption application? Website address appleseedsfound.org	13	Yes	
14	The books are in care of Carol Showker Telephone no (540) 433-8402 Located at 363 Dices Spring Road Weyers Cave VA ZIP+4 24486			
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 15			
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 instructions for exceptions and filing requirements for FinCEN Form 114, Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts (FBAR) If "Yes", enter the name of the foreign country	16	Yes	No

Part VII-B Statements Regarding Activities for Which Form 4720 May Be Required

File Form 4720 if any item is checked in the "Yes" column, unless an exception applies.

1a	During the year did the foundation (either directly or indirectly)	Yes	No
(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 type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" 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	
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	No
2	Taxes on failure to distribute income (section 4942) (does not apply for years the foundation was a private operating foundation defined in section 4942(j)(3) or 4942(j)(5))		
a	At the end of tax year 2015, did the foundation have any undistributed income (lines 6d and 6e, Part XIII) for tax year(s) beginning before 2015? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No If "Yes," list the years 20 ____, 20 ____, 20 ____, 20 ____		
b	Are there any years listed in 2a for which the foundation is not applying the provisions of section 4942(a)(2) (relating to incorrect valuation of assets) to the year's undistributed income? (If applying section 4942(a)(2) to all years listed, answer "No" and attach statement—see instructions)	2b	
c	If the provisions of section 4942(a)(2) are being applied to any of the years listed in 2a, list the years here 20 ____, 20 ____, 20 ____, 20 ____		
3a	Did the foundation hold more than a 2% direct or indirect interest in any business enterprise at any time during the year? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 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? (<i>Use Schedule C, Form 4720, to determine if the foundation had excess business holdings in 2015.</i>)	3b	
4a	Did the foundation invest during the year any amount in a manner that would jeopardize its charitable purposes?	4a	No
b	Did the foundation make any investment in a prior year (but after December 31, 1969) that could jeopardize its charitable purpose that had not been removed from jeopardy before the first day of the tax year beginning in 2015?	4b	No

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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)? Yes No
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
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

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	Title, and average hours per week (b) devoted to position	(c) Compensation (If not paid, enter -0-)	(d) Contributions to employee benefit plans and deferred compensation	Expense account, (e) other allowances
Carol Showker 363 Dices Spring Road Weyers Cave, VA 24486	Secretary-Treasurer 1 00	0	0	0
Fred Showker 363 Dices Spring Road Weyers Cave, VA 24486	President 1 00	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	Title, and average hours per week (b) devoted to position	(c) Compensation	(d) Contributions to employee benefit plans and deferred compensation	Expense account, (e) other allowances
NONE				

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

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

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

(a) Name and address of each person paid more than \$50,000	(b) Type of service	(c) Compensation
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	
2	
3	
4	

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

Describe the two largest program-related investments made by the foundation during the tax year on lines 1 and 2	Amount
1	
2	
All other program-related investments. See instructions	
3	

Total. Add lines 1 through 3 **0**

Part X Minimum Investment Return

(All domestic foundations must complete this part. Foreign foundations, see instructions.)

1	Fair market value of assets not used (or held for use) directly in carrying out charitable, etc , purposes		
a	Average monthly fair market value of securities.	1a	3,615,219
b	Average of monthly cash balances.	1b	165,894
c	Fair market value of all other assets (see instructions).	1c	0
d	Total (add lines 1a, b, and c).	1d	3,781,113
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	3,781,113
4	Cash deemed held for charitable activities Enter 1 1/2% of line 3 (for greater amount, see instructions).	4	56,717
5	Net value of noncharitable-use assets. Subtract line 4 from line 3 Enter here and on Part V, line 4	5	3,724,396
6	Minimum investment return. Enter 5% of line 5.	6	186,220

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	186,220
2a	Tax on investment income for 2015 from Part VI, line 5.	2a	1,606
b	Income tax for 2015 (This does not include the tax from Part VI).	2b	
c	Add lines 2a and 2b.	2c	1,606
3	Distributable amount before adjustments Subtract line 2c from line 1.	3	184,614
4	Recoveries of amounts treated as qualifying distributions.	4	0
5	Add lines 3 and 4.	5	184,614
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	184,614

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	172,962
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	172,962
5	Foundations that qualify under section 4940(e) for the reduced rate of tax on net investment income Enter 1% of Part I, line 27b (see instructions).	5	1,606
6	Adjusted qualifying distributions. Subtract line 5 from line 4.	6	171,356

Note: The amount on line 6 will be used in Part V, column (b), in subsequent years when calculating whether the foundation qualifies for the section 4940(e) reduction of tax in those years

Part XIII Undistributed Income (see instructions)

	(a) Corpus	(b) Years prior to 2014	(c) 2014	(d) 2015
1 Distributable amount for 2015 from Part XI, line 7				184,614
2 Undistributed income, if any, as of the end of 2015				
a Enter amount for 2014 only.			170,913	
b Total for prior years 20___, 20___, 20___		0		
3 Excess distributions carryover, if any, to 2015				
a From 2010.				
b From 2011.				
c From 2012.				
d From 2013.				
e From 2014.				
f Total of lines 3a through e.	0			
4 Qualifying distributions for 2015 from Part XII, line 4 ▶ \$ <u>172,962</u>				
a Applied to 2014, but not more than line 2a			170,913	
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.				2,049
e Remaining amount distributed out of corpus	0			
5 Excess distributions carryover applied to 2015 <i>(If an amount appears in column (d), the same amount must be shown in column (a).)</i>	0			0
6 Enter the net total of each column as indicated below:				
a Corpus Add lines 3f, 4c, and 4e Subtract line 5	0			
b Prior years' undistributed income Subtract line 4b from line 2b		0		
c Enter the amount of prior years' undistributed income for which a notice of deficiency has been issued, or on which the section 4942(a) tax has been previously assessed.		0		
d Subtract line 6c from line 6b Taxable amount—see instructions		0		
e Undistributed income for 2014 Subtract line 4a from line 2a Taxable amount—see instructions			0	
f Undistributed income for 2016 Subtract lines 4d and 5 from line 1 This amount must be distributed in 2015				182,565
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 (see instructions).	0			
9 Excess distributions carryover to 2016. Subtract lines 7 and 8 from line 6a	0			
10 Analysis of line 9				
a Excess from 2011.				
b Excess from 2012.				
c Excess from 2013.				
d Excess from 2014.				
e Excess from 2015.				

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

1a If the foundation has received a ruling or determination letter that it is a private operating foundation, and the ruling is effective for 2015, enter the date of the ruling. . . . ▶

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

2a Enter the lesser of the adjusted net income from Part I or the minimum investment return from Part X for each year listed

	Tax year	Prior 3 years			(e) Total
	(a) 2015	(b) 2014	(c) 2013	(d) 2012	
b 85% of line 2a					
c Qualifying distributions from Part XII, line 4 for each year listed					
d Amounts included in line 2c not used directly for active conduct of exempt activities					
e Qualifying distributions made directly for active conduct of exempt activities Subtract line 2d from line 2c					
3 Complete 3a, b, or c for the alternative test relied upon					
a "Assets" alternative test—enter					
(1) Value of all assets					
(2) Value of assets qualifying under section 4942(j)(3)(B)(i)					
b "Endowment" alternative test— enter 2/3 of minimum investment return shown in Part X, line 6 for each year listed.					
c "Support" alternative test—enter					
(1) Total support other than gross investment income (interest, dividends, rents, payments on securities loans (section 512(a)(5)), or royalties)					
(2) Support from general public and 5 or more exempt organizations as provided in section 4942(j)(3)(B)(iii).					
(3) Largest amount of support from an exempt organization					
(4) Gross investment income					

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

1 Information Regarding Foundation Managers:

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

See Additional Data Table

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

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

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

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

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

c Any submission deadlines

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

Part XV **Supplementary Information**(continued)

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

Recipient	If recipient is an individual, show any relationship to any foundation manager or substantial contributor	Foundation status of recipient	Purpose of grant or contribution	Amount
Name and address (home or business)				
a <i>Paid during the year</i> See Additional Data Table				
Total				3a 171,087
b <i>Approved for future payment</i>				
Total				3b 0

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

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?

Table with columns Yes and No for various transaction types (1a(1), 1a(2), 1b(1) through 1b(6), 1c).

a Transfers from the reporting foundation to a noncharitable exempt organization of

- (1) Cash.
(2) Other assets.

b Other transactions

- (1) Sales of assets to a noncharitable exempt organization.
(2) Purchases of assets from a noncharitable exempt organization.
(3) Rental of facilities, equipment, or other assets.
(4) Reimbursement arrangements.
(5) Loans or loan guarantees.
(6) Performance of services or membership or fundraising solicitations.

c Sharing of facilities, equipment, mailing lists, other assets, or paid employees.

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.

Table with 4 columns: (a) Line No, (b) Amount involved, (c) Name of noncharitable exempt organization, (d) Description of transfers, transactions, and sharing arrangements.

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

Table with 3 columns: (a) Name of organization, (b) Type of organization, (c) Description of relationship.

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

Signature of officer or trustee, Date (2016-05-05), Title

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

Table for Preparer Information: Print/Type preparer's name (Jeff Smith), Preparer's Signature, Date (2016-05-04), Check if self-employed, PTIN (P00446095), Firm's name (Brown Edwards & Company LLP), Firm's address (124 Newman Avenue Harrisonburg, VA 22801), Firm's EIN (54-0504608), Phone no ((540) 434-6736).

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Form 990PF Part XV Line 1a - List any managers of the foundation who have contributed more than 2% of the total contributions received by the foundation before the close of any tax year (but only if they have contributed more than \$5,000).

Carol Showker
Fred Showker

Form 990PF Part XV Line 3 - Grants and Contributions Paid During the Year or Approved for Future Payment

Recipient	If recipient is an individual, show any relationship to any foundation manager or substantial contributor	Foundation status of recipient	Purpose of grant or contribution	Amount
Name and address (home or business)				
a <i>Paid during the year</i>				
Abandoned Pet Rescue 1137 NE 9th St Fort Lawderdale, FL 33304	None	Public Charity	Pet Rescue	500
Explore More Discovery Museum PO Box 957 Harrisonburg, VA 22803	None	Public Charity	Children's Development	25,000
Explore More Discovery Museum PO Box 957 Harrisonburg, VA 22803	None	Public Charity	Children's Development- 856 shares of Berkshire Hathaway, Inc donated on 5/21/2015, FMV of donation calculated as average share price on that date	124,587
First Step 129 Franklin St Harrisonburg, VA 22801	None	Public Charity	Support for Domestic Violence Victims	1,000
Fresh Air Fund 633 Third Ave 14th Floor New York, NY 10017	None	Public Charity	Children's Summer Camp	1,000
Neighbors Helping Neighbors PO Box 1068 Harrisonburg, VA 22803	None	Public Charity	Job Search Support	2,000
PACE One West Adams St 301 Jacksonville, FL 32202	None	Public Charity	Charity	1,000
Shenandoah Valley Economic Education 418 Fairview Dr Harrisonburg, VA 22802	None	Public Charity	Education	10,000
SOS Childrens Villages PO Box 96718 Washington, DC 20077	None	Public Charity	Children's Development	1,000
Stuarts Draft High School PTSA 1028 Augusta Farm Rd Stuarts Draft, VA 24477	None	Public Charity	Education	1,000
Stuarts Draft Middle School TSA 1088 Augusta Farm Rd Stuarts Draft, VA 24477	None	Public Charity	Education	1,000
Thomas Harrison Middle School TSA 1311 W Market St Harrisonburg, VA 22801	None	Public Charity	Education	1,500
Wilson Memorial HS 189 Harnet Rd Fishersville, VA 22939	None	Public Charity	Education	1,500
Total				171,087

TY 2015 Accounting Fees Schedule

Name: The Appleseeds Foundation

EIN: 20-1841471

Category	Amount	Net Investment Income	Adjusted Net Income	Disbursements for Charitable Purposes
Accounting fees	1,875	0		1,875

TY 2015 Investments Corporate Stock Schedule

Name: The Appleseeds Foundation

EIN: 20-1841471

Name of Stock	End of Year Book Value	End of Year Fair Market Value
36sh Alphabet Inc. Cl A	10,782	28,008
36sh Alphabet Inc. Cl C	10,747	27,320
1190sh Apple Inc.	61,580	125,259
885sh Berkshire Hathaway Inc. Class B	111,987	116,855
909sh Chevron Corporation CVX	85,710	81,774
444sh Deere & Co	40,426	33,864
1236sh Devon Energy Corp	70,820	39,552
349sh Disney Walt Co	9,028	36,673
652sh Emerson Electric Co	38,900	31,185
1270sh EOG Resources Inc	98,241	89,903
2473sh General Electric Co	56,740	77,034
831sh Hewlett-Packard Company	12,858	12,631
2300sh Ishares Core Total ET US Bond Market	235,294	248,423
1636sh IShares MSCI ET Emerging Markets	88,818	79,608
2451sh IShares MSCI ET Minimum Volatility	87,848	102,501
2317sh Ishares Select Dividend	132,390	174,123
606sh JPMorgan Chase & Co	26,618	40,014
2000sh Pimco Trust ET	106,405	102,660
500sh PNC Financial Services	34,260	47,655
1832sh Powershares Intl Dividend Achievers	27,441	24,879
1862sh Powershares S&P 500 ET Low Volatility	44,107	71,817
3484sh Powershares S&P 500 ET High Quality	47,042	80,585
492sh Qualcomm Inc	31,717	24,593
3054sh Select Sector Spdr Fd	110,716	219,980
2078sh SPDR S&P Dividend Et	118,284	152,878
6166sh Sysco Corporation stock	252,408	252,806
1424sh US Bankcorp New	43,406	60,762
2200sh Vanguard Dividend Appreciation ETF	107,045	171,072
2391sh Vanguard Intl Eqty ET Index	113,016	103,793
1645sh Vanguard Short Term Bond ETF	131,715	130,893

Name of Stock	End of Year Book Value	End of Year Fair Market Value
1647sh Vanguard Short Term ET Corp Bond	131,675	130,097
1900sh Vanguard Total Bond Market	139,960	153,444
1667sh Vanguard Whitehall FDS	75,648	111,272
817sh Viacom Inc Cl B	59,297	33,628
439sh West Corp	11,684	9,469
2270sh WisdomTree LC DVD Fd	125,125	161,486

TY 2015 Investments - Other Schedule

Name: The Appleseeds Foundation

EIN: 20-1841471

Category/ Item	Listed at Cost or FMV	Book Value	End of Year Fair Market Value
16883.659sh Goldman Sachs Trust - Mutual Fund	AT COST	173,502	162,421

TY 2015 Other Assets Schedule

Name: The Appleseeds Foundation

EIN: 20-1841471

Description	Beginning of Year - Book Value	End of Year - Book Value	End of Year - Fair Market Value
Dividends receivable from mutual funds	547	454	454

TY 2015 Other Decreases Schedule**Name:** The Appleseeds Foundation**EIN:** 20-1841471

Description	Amount
Adjustment for donor's basis of contributed securities sold in 2015	68,256

TY 2015 Other Expenses Schedule

Name: The Appleseeds Foundation

EIN: 20-1841471

Description	Revenue and Expenses per Books	Net Investment Income	Adjusted Net Income	Disbursements for Charitable Purposes
Investment advisory fees	18,924	18,924		0

TY 2015 Other Increases Schedule**Name:** The Appleseeds Foundation**EIN:** 20-1841471

Description	Amount
Adjustment for donor's basis of securities donated in 2015	66,519

TY 2015 Taxes Schedule

Name: The Appleseeds Foundation

EIN: 20-1841471

Category	Amount	Net Investment Income	Adjusted Net Income	Disbursements for Charitable Purposes
Foreign tax expense	532	532		0
Federal excise taxes	1,938	0		0

Schedule B
(Form 990, 990-EZ,
or 990-PF)

Schedule of Contributors

OMB No 1545-0047

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

2015

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

▶ Information about Schedule B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF) and its instructions is at
www.irs.gov/form990.

Name of the organization

The Appleseeds Foundation

Employer identification number

20-1841471

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

Form 990-PF

501(c)(3) exempt private foundation

4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust treated as a private foundation

501(c)(3) taxable private foundation

Check 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 other 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 33¹/₃% 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 for 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 990PF, 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 The Appleseeds Foundation	Employer identification number 20-1841471
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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	Carol Showker	\$ 100,564	Person <input type="checkbox"/>
	363 Dices Spring Road		Payroll <input type="checkbox"/>
	Weyers Cave, VA 24486		Noncash <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <small>(Complete Part II for noncash contributions)</small>
2	Kelly Showker	\$ 29,988	Person <input type="checkbox"/>
	363 Dices Spring Road		Payroll <input type="checkbox"/>
	Weyers Cave, VA 24486		Noncash <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <small>(Complete Part II for noncash contributions)</small>
3	Max Showker	\$ 25,013	Person <input type="checkbox"/>
	363 Dices Spring Road		Payroll <input type="checkbox"/>
	Weyers Cave, VA 24486		Noncash <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <small>(Complete Part II for noncash contributions)</small>
		\$	Person <input type="checkbox"/>
			Payroll <input type="checkbox"/>
			Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> <small>(Complete Part II for noncash contributions)</small>
		\$	Person <input type="checkbox"/>
			Payroll <input type="checkbox"/>
			Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> <small>(Complete Part II for noncash contributions)</small>
		\$	Person <input type="checkbox"/>
			Payroll <input type="checkbox"/>
			Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> <small>(Complete Part II for noncash contributions)</small>

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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
1	2,448 Shares of Sysco Corp common stock	\$ 100,564	2015-12-10
2	720 Shares of Sysco Corp common stock	\$ 29,988	2015-12-29
3	608 Shares of Sysco Corp common stock	\$ 25,013	2015-12-31
		\$	
		\$	
		\$	

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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
.	_____	_____	_____
.	_____	_____	_____

(e) Transfer of gift	
Transferee's name, address, and ZIP 4	Relationship of transferor to transferee
_____	_____
_____	_____
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(a) No. from Part I	(b) Purpose of gift	(c) Use of gift	(d) Description of how gift is held
.	_____	_____	_____
.	_____	_____	_____

(e) Transfer of gift	
Transferee's name, address, and ZIP 4	Relationship of transferor to transferee
_____	_____
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(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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(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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