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Return of Private Foundation

2015

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

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

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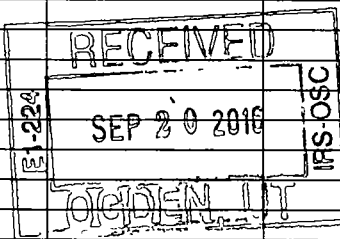
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For calendar year 2015 or tax year beginning , 2015, and ending , 20

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|--|--|--|
| Name of foundation THE SPERANZA FOUNDATION | | A Employer identification number 26-3213052 |
| Number and street (or P O box number if mail is not delivered to street address) 302A W 12TH STREET | | B Telephone number (see instructions) (646) 582-6945 |
| Room/suite 103 | | |
| City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code NEW YORK, NY 10014 | | C If exemption application is pending, check here <input type="checkbox"/> |
| G Check all that apply | | D 1 Foreign organizations, check here <input type="checkbox"/> 2 Foreign organizations meeting the 85% test, check here and attach computation <input type="checkbox"/> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Initial return | <input type="checkbox"/> Initial return of a former public charity | E If private foundation status was terminated under section 507(b)(1)(A), check here <input type="checkbox"/> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Final return | <input type="checkbox"/> Amended return | F If the foundation is in a 60-month termination under section 507(b)(1)(B), check here <input type="checkbox"/> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Address change | <input type="checkbox"/> Name change | |
| 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 | | |
| I Fair market value of all assets at end of year (from Part II, col (c), line 16) \$ 25,710. | | J Accounting method <input type="checkbox"/> Cash <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Accrual <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify) |

| Part I Analysis of Revenue and Expenses (The total of amounts in columns (b), (c), and (d) may not necessarily equal the amounts in column (a) (see instructions)) | | (a) Revenue and expenses per books | (b) Net investment income | (c) Adjusted net income | (d) Disbursements for charitable purposes (cash basis only) |
|--|--|------------------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------|---|
| 1 Contributions, gifts, grants, etc., received (attach schedule) | | 521,000. | | | |
| 2 Check <input type="checkbox"/> if the foundation is not required to attach Sch. B. | | | | | |
| 3 Interest on savings and temporary cash investments. | | | | | |
| 4 Dividends and interest from securities | | | | | |
| 5a Gross rents | | | | | |
| b Net rental income or (loss) | | | | | |
| 6a Net gain or (loss) from sale of assets not on line 10 | | | | | |
| b Gross sales price for all assets on line 6a | | | | | |
| 7 Capital gain net income (from Part IV, line 2) | | | 0. | | |
| 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) ATCH. 1 | | 7,609. | | | |
| 12 Total. Add lines 1 through 11 | | 528,609. | 0. | | |
| 13 Compensation of officers, directors, trustees, etc. | | 0. | | | |
| 14 Other employee salaries and wages | | | | | |
| 15 Pension plans, employee benefits | | | | | |
| 16a Legal fees (attach schedule) | | | | | |
| b Accounting fees (attach schedule) | | | | | |
| c Other professional fees (attach schedule) | | | | | |
| 17 Interest | | | | | |
| 18 Taxes (attach schedule) (see instructions) | | | | | |
| 19 Depreciation (attach schedule) and depletion | | | | | |
| 20 Occupancy | | | | | |
| 21 Travel, conferences, and meetings | | | | | |
| 22 Printing and publications | | | | | |
| 23 Other expenses (attach schedule) ATCH. 2 | | 174,284. | | | |
| 24 Total operating and administrative expenses Add lines 13 through 23. | | 174,284. | | | |
| 25 Contributions, gifts, grants paid | | 407,000. | | | 433,000. |
| 26 Total expenses and disbursements Add lines 24 and 25 | | 581,284. | | | 433,000. |
| 27 Subtract line 26 from line 12 | | | | | |
| a Excess of revenue over expenses and disbursements | | -52,675. | | | |
| b Net investment income (if negative, enter -0-) | | | 0. | | |
| c Adjusted net income (if negative, enter -0-) | | | | | |

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| 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 | | 104,386. | 25,710. | 25,710. |
| | 2 | Savings and temporary cash investments | | | | |
| | 3 | Accounts receivable ▶ | | | | |
| | | Less allowance for doubtful accounts ▶ | | | | |
| | 4 | Pledges receivable ▶ | | | | |
| | | Less allowance for doubtful accounts ▶ | | | | |
| | 5 | Grants receivable | | | | |
| | 6 | Receivables due from officers, directors, trustees, and other disqualified persons (attach schedule) (see instructions) | | | | |
| | 7 | Other notes and loans receivable (attach schedule) ▶ | | | | |
| | | Less allowance for doubtful accounts ▶ | | | | |
| | 8 | Inventories for sale or use | | | | |
| | 9 | Prepaid expenses and deferred charges | | | | |
| | 10a | Investments - U S and state government obligations (attach schedule) | | | | |
| | b | Investments - corporate stock (attach schedule) | | | | |
| | c | Investments - corporate bonds (attach schedule) | | | | |
| | 11 | Investments - land, buildings, and equipment basis ▶ | | | | |
| | Less accumulated depreciation ▶ (attach schedule) | | | | | |
| 12 | Investments - mortgage loans | | | | | |
| 13 | Investments - other (attach schedule) | | | | | |
| 14 | Land, buildings, and equipment basis ▶ | | | | | |
| | Less accumulated depreciation ▶ (attach schedule) | | | | | |
| 15 | Other assets (describe ▶) | | | | | |
| 16 | Total assets (to be completed by all filers - see the instructions Also, see page 1, item I) | | | 104,386. | 25,710. | 25,710. |
| Liabilities | 17 | Accounts payable and accrued expenses | | | | |
| | 18 | Grants payable | | 26,000. | 210,000. | |
| | 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) | | | 26,000. | 210,000. | |
| 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 and complete lines 27 through 31. ▶ <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | | | | | |
| | 27 | Capital stock, trust principal, or current funds | | | | |
| | 28 | Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, bldg. and equipment fund | | | | |
| | 29 | Retained earnings, accumulated income, endowment, or other funds | | | 78,386. | -184,290. |
| 30 | Total net assets or fund balances (see instructions) | | | 78,386. | -184,290. | |
| 31 | Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances (see instructions) | | | 104,386. | 25,710. | |

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 | 78,386. |
| 2 | Enter amount from Part I, line 27a | 2 | -52,675. |
| 3 | Other increases not included in line 2 (itemize) ▶ | 3 | |
| 4 | Add lines 1, 2, and 3 | 4 | 25,711. |
| 5 | Decreases not included in line 2 (itemize) ▶ ATCH 3 | 5 | 210,001. |
| 6 | Total net assets or fund balances at end of year (line 4 minus line 5) - Part II, column (b), line 30 | 6 | -184,290. |

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 | | | | |
| b | | | | |
| 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 | | | | |
| b | | | | |
| 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) F M V as of 12/31/69 | (j) Adjusted basis as of 12/31/69 | (k) Excess of col (i) over col (j), if any | | |
| a | | | | |
| b | | | | |
| c | | | | |
| d | | | | |
| e | | | | |
| 2 Capital gain net income or (net capital loss) | { If gain, also enter in Part I, line 7 If (loss), enter -0- in Part I, line 7 } | | 2 | |
| 3 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 | { 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 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 | | | |
| 2013 | | | |
| 2012 | | | |
| 2011 | | | |
| 2010 | | | |

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

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

Table with 11 rows for excise tax calculations. Includes categories like 'Exempt operating foundations', 'Domestic foundations', 'Tax under section 511', 'Credits/Payments', and 'Tax due'. Columns include line numbers and amounts.

Part VII-A Statements Regarding Activities

Table with 10 rows for activity statements. Columns include question numbers, 'Yes', and 'No' boxes. Questions cover political activities, tax on political expenditures, and foundation requirements.

Part VII-A Statements Regarding Activities (continued)

11 At any time during the year, did the foundation, directly or indirectly, own a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? If "Yes," attach schedule (see instructions). 11 Yes No X
12 Did the foundation make a distribution to a donor advised fund over which the foundation or a disqualified person had advisory privileges? If "Yes," attach statement (see instructions) 12 Yes No X
13 Did the foundation comply with the public inspection requirements for its annual returns and exemption application? Website address WWW.SPERANZAFUNDATION.COM 13 X
14 The books are in care of TAXPAYER Telephone no 917-434-1659 Located at 302A W 12TH STREET #103 NEW YORK, NY ZIP+4 10014
15 Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts filing Form 990-PF in lieu of Form 1041 - Check here and enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the year 15
16 At any time during calendar year 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? 16 Yes No X
See the instructions for exceptions and filing requirements for FinCEN Form 114. If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country

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)
(1) Engage in the sale or exchange, or leasing of property with a disqualified person? Yes X No
(2) Borrow money from, lend money to, or otherwise extend credit to (or accept it from) a disqualified person? Yes X No
(3) Furnish goods, services, or facilities to (or accept them from) a disqualified person? Yes X No
(4) Pay compensation to, or pay or reimburse the expenses of, a disqualified person? Yes X 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 X 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 X 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)? 1b X
Organizations relying on a current notice regarding disaster assistance check here
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 X No
If "Yes," list the years
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 X
c If the provisions of section 4942(a)(2) are being applied to any of the years listed in 2a, list the years here
3a Did the foundation hold more than a 2% direct or indirect interest in any business enterprise at any time during the year? Yes X 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) 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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

c If the answer is "Yes" to question 5a(4), does the foundation claim exemption from the tax because it maintained expenditure responsibility for the grant? Yes No
If "Yes," attach the statement required by Regulations section 53.4945-5(d)

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

b Did the foundation, during the year, pay premiums, directly or indirectly, on a personal benefit contract? Yes No **6b** X
If "Yes" to 6b, file Form 8870

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

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

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

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

| (a) Name and address | (b) Title, and average hours per week devoted to position | (c) Compensation (If not paid, enter -0-) | (d) Contributions to employee benefit plans and deferred compensation | (e) Expense account, other allowances |
|----------------------|---|---|---|---------------------------------------|
| ATCH 5 | | 0. | 0. | 0. |
| | | | | |
| | | | | |
| | | | | |
| | | | | |

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

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

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

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

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

| (a) Name and address of each person paid more than \$50,000 | (b) Type of service | (c) Compensation |
|---|---------------------|------------------|
| ATCH 6 | | 110,000. |
| | | |
| | | |
| | | |
| | | |
| | | |

Total number of others receiving over \$50,000 for professional services ▶

Part IX-A Summary of Direct Charitable Activities

| List the foundation's four largest direct charitable activities during the tax year. Include relevant statistical information such as the number of organizations and other beneficiaries served, conferences convened, research papers produced, etc | Expenses |
|---|----------|
| 1 N/A | |
| | |
| | |
| | |
| | |
| | |

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

| Describe the two largest program-related investments made by the foundation during the tax year on lines 1 and 2 | Amount |
|--|--------|
| 1 NONE | |
| | |
| | |
| | |
| All other program-related investments See instructions | |
| 3 NONE | |
| | |
| | |
| Total. Add lines 1 through 3 ▶ | |

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 | |
| b | Average of monthly cash balances | 1b | 71,434. |
| c | Fair market value of all other assets (see instructions) | 1c | |
| d | Total (add lines 1a, b, and c) | 1d | 71,434. |
| e | Reduction claimed for blockage or other factors reported on lines 1a and 1c (attach detailed explanation) | 1e | |
| 2 | Acquisition indebtedness applicable to line 1 assets | 2 | |
| 3 | Subtract line 2 from line 1d | 3 | 71,434. |
| 4 | Cash deemed held for charitable activities. Enter 1 1/2% of line 3 (for greater amount, see instructions) | 4 | 1,072. |
| 5 | Net value of noncharitable-use assets. Subtract line 4 from line 3. Enter here and on Part V, line 4 | 5 | 70,362. |
| 6 | Minimum investment return. Enter 5% of line 5 | 6 | 3,518. |

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 | 3,518. |
| 2a | Tax on investment income for 2015 from Part VI, line 5 | 2a | |
| 2b | Income tax for 2015 (This does not include the tax from Part VI) | 2b | |
| c | Add lines 2a and 2b | 2c | |
| 3 | Distributable amount before adjustments. Subtract line 2c from line 1 | 3 | 3,518. |
| 4 | Recoveries of amounts treated as qualifying distributions | 4 | |
| 5 | Add lines 3 and 4 | 5 | 3,518. |
| 6 | Deduction from distributable amount (see instructions) | 6 | |
| 7 | Distributable amount as adjusted. Subtract line 6 from line 5. Enter here and on Part XIII, line 1 | 7 | 3,518. |

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 | 433,000. |
| b | Program-related investments - total from Part IX-B | 1b | |
| 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 | 433,000. |
| 5 | Foundations that qualify under section 4940(e) for the reduced rate of tax on net investment income. Enter 1% of Part I, line 27b (see instructions) | 5 | 0. |
| 6 | Adjusted qualifying distributions. Subtract line 5 from line 4 | 6 | 433,000. |

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 | | | | 3,518. |
| 2 Undistributed income, if any, as of the end of 2015 | | | | |
| a Enter amount for 2014 only. | | | | |
| b Total for prior years 20 13 , 20 12 , 20 11 | | | | |
| 3 Excess distributions carryover, if any, to 2015 | | | | |
| a From 2010 | 218,113. | | | |
| b From 2011 | 39,772. | | | |
| c From 2012 | 504,564. | | | |
| d From 2013 | 298,512. | | | |
| e From 2014 | 352,991. | | | |
| f Total of lines 3a through e | 1,413,952. | | | |
| 4 Qualifying distributions for 2015 from Part XII, line 4 ▶ \$ 433,000 | | | | |
| a Applied to 2014, but not more than line 2a | | | | |
| b Applied to undistributed income of prior years (Election required - see instructions) | | | | |
| c Treated as distributions out of corpus (Election required - see instructions) | | | | |
| d Applied to 2015 distributable amount | | | | 3,518. |
| e Remaining amount distributed out of corpus | 429,482. | | | |
| 5 Excess distributions carryover applied to 2015 . (If an amount appears in column (d), the same amount must be shown in column (a)) | | | | |
| 6 Enter the net total of each column as indicated below: | | | | |
| a Corpus Add lines 3f, 4c, and 4e Subtract line 5 | 1,843,434. | | | |
| b Prior years' undistributed income Subtract line 4b from line 2b. | | | | |
| 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 | | | | |
| d Subtract line 6c from line 6b Taxable amount - see instructions | | | | |
| e Undistributed income for 2014 Subtract line 4a from line 2a Taxable amount - see instructions | | | | |
| f Undistributed income for 2015 Subtract lines 4d and 5 from line 1 This amount must be distributed in 2016 | | | | |
| 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) | | | | |
| 8 Excess distributions carryover from 2010 not applied on line 5 or line 7 (see instructions) | 218,113. | | | |
| 9 Excess distributions carryover to 2016. Subtract lines 7 and 8 from line 6a | 1,625,321. | | | |
| 10 Analysis of line 9 | | | | |
| a Excess from 2011 | 39,772. | | | |
| b Excess from 2012 | 504,564. | | | |
| c Excess from 2013 | 298,512. | | | |
| d Excess from 2014 | 352,991. | | | |
| e Excess from 2015 | 429,482. | | | |

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

NOT APPLICABLE

1 a 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 foundation is a private operating foundation described in section 4942(j)(3) or 4942(j)(5)

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

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

1 Information Regarding Foundation Managers:

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

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

NONE

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

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

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

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

SEE ATTACHED

c Any submission deadlines

NONE

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

ATCH 8

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 |
|--|---|--------------------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------|
| <p>a Paid during the year</p> <p>ATCH 9</p> | | | | |
| Total | | | | 433,000. |
| <p>b Approved for future payment</p> <p>ATCH 10</p> | | | | |
| Total | | | | 210,000. |

Part XVI-A Analysis of Income-Producing Activities

Enter gross amounts unless otherwise indicated

Table with 5 main columns: (a) Business code, (b) Amount, (c) Exclusion code, (d) Amount, (e) Related or exempt function income. Rows include Program service revenue, Membership dues and assessments, Interest on savings and temporary cash investments, Dividends and interest from securities, Net rental income or (loss) from real estate, Net rental income or (loss) from personal property, Other investment income, Gain or (loss) from sales of assets other than inventory, Net income or (loss) from special events, Gross profit or (loss) from sales of inventory, Other revenue, and Subtotal. Total amount is 7,609.

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

Table with 2 columns: Line No. and Explain below how each activity for which income is reported in column (e) of Part XVI-A contributed importantly to the accomplishment of the foundation's exempt purposes (other than by providing funds for such purposes) (See instructions).

Schedule of Contributors

2015

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

Name of the organization

THE SPERANZA FOUNDATION

Employer identification number

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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 property) from any one contributor. Complete Parts I and II. See instructions for determining a contributor's total contributions.

Special Rules

For an organization described in section 501(c)(3) filing Form 990 or 990-EZ that met the 33 1/3 % support test of the regulations under sections 509(a)(1) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi), that checked Schedule A (Form 990 or 990-EZ), Part II, line 13, 16a, or 16b, and that received from any one contributor, during the year, total contributions of the greater of (1) \$5,000 or (2) 2% of the amount on (i) Form 990, Part VIII, line 1h, or (ii) Form 990-EZ, line 1. Complete Parts I and II.

For an organization described in section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) filing Form 990 or 990-EZ that received from any one contributor, during the year, total contributions of more than \$1,000 *exclusively* for religious, charitable, scientific, literary, or educational purposes, or 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 990-PF, Part I, line 2, to certify that it does not meet the filing requirements of Schedule B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF).

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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 | KATHLEEN TREAT 14 BARRY COURT KATONAH, NY 10536 | \$ 520,000. | Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions) |
| 2 | LINDA BISHOP 17551 EDGEWOOD LANE YORBA LINDA, CA 92886 | \$ 1,000. | Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions) |
| | | \$ | Person <input type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions) |
| | | \$ | Person <input type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions) |
| | | \$ | Person <input type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions) |
| | | \$ | Person <input type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions) |
| | | \$ | Person <input type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions) |

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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 |
|---------------------------|--|--|----------------------|
| _____ | _____ _____ _____ | \$ _____ | _____ |
| _____ | _____ _____ _____ | \$ _____ | _____ |
| _____ | _____ _____ _____ | \$ _____ | _____ |
| _____ | _____ _____ _____ | \$ _____ | _____ |
| _____ | _____ _____ _____ | \$ _____ | _____ |
| _____ | _____ _____ _____ | \$ _____ | _____ |
| _____ | _____ _____ _____ | \$ _____ | _____ |
| _____ | _____ _____ _____ | \$ _____ | _____ |
| _____ | _____ _____ _____ | \$ _____ | _____ |
| _____ | _____ _____ _____ | \$ _____ | _____ |
| _____ | _____ _____ _____ | \$ _____ | _____ |

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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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| (e) Transfer of gift | | | |
| Transferee's name, address, and ZIP + 4 | | Relationship of transferor to transferee | |
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| (e) Transfer of gift | | | |
| Transferee's name, address, and ZIP + 4 | | Relationship of transferor to transferee | |
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| (e) Transfer of gift | | | |
| Transferee's name, address, and ZIP + 4 | | Relationship of transferor to transferee | |
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| | | | |
| (e) Transfer of gift | | | |
| Transferee's name, address, and ZIP + 4 | | Relationship of transferor to transferee | |
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ATTACHMENT 1

FORM 990PF, PART I - OTHER INCOME

| <u>DESCRIPTION</u> | <u>REVENUE AND EXPENSES PER BOOKS</u> |
|---------------------|---|
| MARKETPLACE REVENUE | 7,609. |
| TOTALS | <u>7,609.</u> |

ATTACHMENT 2FORM 990PF, PART I - OTHER EXPENSES

| <u>DESCRIPTION</u> | <u>REVENUE AND EXPENSES PER BOOKS</u> |
|-------------------------|---|
| MARKETPLACE EXPENSE | 14,887. |
| PROGRAM EXPENSES | 16,178. |
| OFFICE SUPPLIES | 1,635. |
| CONTRACTOR SERVICES | 116,105. |
| FILING FEES | 75. |
| OTHER PROFESSIONAL FEES | 15,298. |
| TRAVEL | 6,655. |
| INSURANCE | 3,451. |
| TOTALS | <u>174,284.</u> |

ATTACHMENT 3

FORM 990PF, PART III - OTHER DECREASES IN NET WORTH OR FUND BALANCES

| <u>DESCRIPTION</u> | <u>AMOUNT</u> |
|--------------------|-----------------|
| GRANT PAYABLE | 210,000. |
| ROUNDING | 1. |
| TOTAL | <u>210,001.</u> |

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FORM 990PF, PART VII-A, LINE 10 - NEW SUBSTANTIAL CONTRIBUTORS

ATTACHMENT 4

NAME AND ADDRESS

KATHLEEN TREAT
14 BARRY COURT
KATONAH, NY 10536

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

ATTACHMENT 5

TITLE AND AVERAGE HOURS PER
WEEK DEVOTED TO POSITION

NAME AND ADDRESS

PRESIDENT

KATHLEEN TREAT
302A W 12TH STREET
103
NEW YORK, NY 10014

VICE PRESIDENT TREASURER

JEREMY TREAT
302A W 12TH STREET
103
NEW YORK, NY 10014

MEMBER

JOEY BORGOGNA
302A W 12TH STREET
103
NEW YORK, NY 10014

990PF, PART VIII- COMPENSATION OF THE FIVE HIGHEST PAID PROFESSIONALSATTACHMENT 6

| <u>NAME AND ADDRESS</u> | <u>TYPE OF SERVICE</u> | <u>COMPENSATION</u> |
|---|------------------------|---------------------|
| JOEY BORGOGNA 841 GRANT STREET SANTA MONICA, CA 90405 PROJECT MANAGER AND DIRECTOR | PROJECT MGR | 55,000. |
| LAUREN BORGOGNA 841 GRANT STREET SANTA MONICA, CA 90405 DIRECTOR OF COMMUNICATIONS | COMMUNICATIONS DIR. | 55,000. |
| | TOTAL COMPENSATION | <u>110,000.</u> |

FORM 990PF, PART XV - NAME, ADDRESS AND PHONE FOR APPLICATIONS

KATHLEEN TREAT
302A W 12TH STREET #103
NEW YORK, NY 10014
646 582-6945

990PF, PART XV - RESTRICTIONS OR LIMITATIONS ON AWARDS

PROVIDE GRANTS TO INDIVIDUALS IN ORDER TO:

1. PROVIDE FUNDS IN AND FOR FUTURE PROJECTS IN THE ARTS, OR
2. RECOGNIZE EXCELLENCE AND OUSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT IN THE ARTS, OR
3. PROVIDE GRANTS TO OTHER CHARITABLE NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS AND ASSISTANCE TO SUPPORT PRODUCTIONS, FORUMS, AND WORKSHOPS TO PROMOTE THE ARTS AND COMMUNICATION AMONG ARTISTS, OR
4. PROVIDE GRANTS TO OTHER QUALIFYING CHARITABLE, NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS, THAT ARE ORGANIZED FOR RELIGIOUS, CHARITABLE, SCIENTIFIC, LITERARY OR EDUCATIONAL PURPOSES.

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FORM 990E, PART XV - GRANTS AND CONTRIBUTIONS PAID DURING THE YEAR

ATTACHMENT 9

| <u>RECIPIENT NAME AND ADDRESS</u> | <u>RELATIONSHIP TO SUBSTANTIAL CONTRIBUTOR AND FOUNDATION STATUS OF RECIPIENT</u> | <u>PURPOSE OF GRANT OR CONTRIBUTION</u> | <u>AMOUNT</u> |
|---|---|---|---------------|
| CREATIVE VISIONS FOUNDATION 18820 PACIFIC COAST HIGHWAY SUITE 201 MALIBU, CA 90265 | NONE N/A | CREATIVE ACTIVIST PROGRAM & SPERANZA MEDIA FOR IMPACT PROJECT FUND | 50,000 |
| WORLD VISION 34834 MEYERHAEUSER WAY SOUTH FEDERAL WAY, WA 98603 | NONE | PROVIDE FUNDS FOR CHARITABLE PROJECTS (TOGETHER FOR THE FUTURE IN ROMANIA, ERE PROJECT IN ZAMBIA, SWSW LUNCHEON IN NY, SWSW SOCIAL MEDIA SUPPORT) | 275,000 |
| SHE'S THE FIRST 261 FIFTH AVENUE 8TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10016 | NONE | GRANT TOWARDS PRODUCTION AND TRAVEL EXPENSES FOR UPCOMING TRIP TO NEPAL TO GATHER TESTIMONIAL FOOTAGE. | 17,000 |
| GOLF FORE AFRICA 32531 N SCOTTSDALE RD SUITE 105, BOX 101 SCOTTSDALE, AZ 85266 | NONE | CHARITABLE GOLF OUTING | 1,000 |
| DEBI CORNWALL 53 REMSEN STREET #1 BROOKLYN, NY 11201 | NONE | TRAVEL AND LOGISTICAL EXPENSES RELATED TO COMPLETING PHOTOGRAPHY ON BEYOND GITMO PROJECT | 10,000 |
| JASON PEARSON 940 CALLE NEGOCIO #175 SAN CLEMENTE, CA 92673 | NONE | PRODUCTION AND TRAVEL COSTS RELATED TO THE TWO ART SHOWS | 4,000 |

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FORM 990EF, PART XV - GRANTS AND CONTRIBUTIONS PAID DURING THE YEAR

ATTACHMENT 9 - (CONT'D)

| <u>RECIPIENT NAME AND ADDRESS</u> | <u>RELATIONSHIP TO SUBSTANTIAL CONTRIBUTOR AND FOUNDATION STATUS OF RECIPIENT</u> | <u>PURPOSE OF GRANT OR CONTRIBUTION</u> | <u>AMOUNT</u> |
|---|---|--|---------------|
| JASON RUSSELL 850 MORNING SUN DRIVE ENCINITAS, CA 92024 | NONE | WRITING TIME ON MEMOIR AND WRITING RETREATS | 5,000 |
| LUCY WOODWARD 3435 OCEAN PARK BLVD #107-463 SANTA MONICA, CA 90405 | NONE | TOURING EXPENSES | 10,000 |
| MATT WARD 8304 WINTER GARDENS BLVD. LAKESIDE, CA 92040 | NONE | LIVING EXPENSES WHILE WRITING CHILDREN'S BOOK | 10,000 |
| NICK ROBERTSON 701 WEST 176TH STREET, APT 6G NEW YORK, NY 10033 | NONE | PRODUCTION EXPENSES RELATED TO "DIDO" AND "AEneas" ADAPTED FOR TEEN AUDIENCE | 10,000 |
| PATRICIA FERNANDEZ 942 1/2 CHUNG KING ROAD, APT A LOS ANGELES, CA 90012 | NONE | TRAVEL AND PRODUCTION EXPENSES RELATED TO EXHIBIT IN SPAIN | 5,000 |
| PRISCILLA GILMAN 120 CABRINI BOULEVARD, APT 74 NEW YORK, NY 10033 | NONE | WRITING TIME FOR GIRLS BOOK SERIES | 10,000 |

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FORM 990EF, PART XV - GRANTS AND CONTRIBUTIONS PAID DURING THE YEAR

ATTACHMENT 9 (CONT'D)

RELATIONSHIP TO SUBSTANTIAL CONTRIBUTOR

AND

FOUNDATION STATUS OF RECIPIENT

PURPOSE OF GRANT OR CONTRIBUTION

AMOUNT

RECIPIENT NAME AND ADDRESS

JEDIDIAH JENKINS
2645 A STREET
SAN DIEGO, CA 92102

NONE

FUND LIVING AND TRAVEL EXPENSES RELATED TO NOVEL
ABOUT JOURNEY BICYCLING TO PATAGONIA

26,000

TOTAL CONTRIBUTIONS PAID

433,000

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FORM 990BF, PART XV - CONTRIBUTIONS APPROVED FOR FUTURE PAYMENT

ATTACHMENT 10

RELATIONSHIP TO SUBSTANTIAL CONTRIBUTOR
AND
FOUNDATION STATUS OF RECIPIENT

PURPOSE OF GRANT OR CONTRIBUTION

RECIPIENT NAME AND ADDRESS

AMOUNT

WORLD VISION
34834 WEYERHAEUSER WAY SOUTH
FEDERAL WAY, WA 98603

NONE
PROVIDE FUNDS FOR CHARITABLE PROJECTS, INCLUDING
ERE PROGRAMS IN ZAMBIA, STRONG WOMEN STRONG WORLD
LUNCHEON AND YOUTH VISION ASSOCIATION GROUP IN
ROMANIA

200,000

REHABILITATION THROUGH THE ARTS
12 HUNTVILLE ROAD
KATONAH, NY 10536

NONE
SUPPORT THE CAPACITY BUILDING EFFORTS

10,000

TOTAL CONTRIBUTIONS APPROVED

210,000

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FORM 990-PF, PART XVI-A - ANALYSIS OF OTHER REVENUE

ATTACHMENT 11

| <u>DESCRIPTION</u> | <u>BUSINESS CODE</u> | <u>AMOUNT</u> | <u>EXCLUSION CODE</u> | <u>AMOUNT</u> | <u>RELATED OR EXEMPT FUNCTION INCOME</u> |
|---------------------|--------------------------|---------------|---------------------------|---------------|--|
| MARKETPLACE REVENUE | | | 07 | 7,609. | |
| TOTALS | | | | <u>7,609.</u> | |

SCHEDULE A

**The Speranza Foundation
Request for Funding**

(Please type or Print. Use additional sheet if necessary.)

1. Applicant.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Telephone Number: _____

**Social Security
Number (if applicable):** _____

2. Funds Requested (Amount): _____

3. Funding Period: _____

4. Please provide a narrative description (no more than 2,000 words) of how the funds will be used.

5. Please provide an explanation of your financial need.

6. Please provide a short narrative description (no more than 1,000 words) of your background, interests and skills and explain why you feel you deserve a grant from the Foundation.

7. Please attach a current copy of your curriculum vitae and/or a portfolio of past works of art.