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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 Ries Foundation		A Employer identification number 36-2545485	
% DR MICHAEL RIES		B Telephone number (see instructions) (312) 787-1496	
Number and street (or P O box number if mail is not delivered to street address) Room/suite 1000 N State Street Suite Unit 11		C If exemption application is pending, check here <input type="checkbox"/>	
City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code Chicago, IL 60610		D 1. Foreign organizations, check here <input type="checkbox"/> 2. Foreign organizations meeting the 85% test, check here and attach computation <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"/> Amended return <input type="checkbox"/> Address change <input type="checkbox"/> Name change		E If private foundation status was terminated under section 507(b)(1)(A), check here <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		F If the foundation is in a 60-month termination under section 507(b)(1)(B), check here <input type="checkbox"/>	
I Fair market value of all assets at end of year (from Part II, col. (c), line 16) \$ 1,015,542		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.)	

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)	254,671			
	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	21,515	21,515		
	5a Gross rents				
	b Net rental income or (loss) _____				
	6a Net gain or (loss) from sale of assets not on line 10 _____	200,148			
	b Gross sales price for all assets on line 6a _____ 393,384				
	7 Capital gain net income (from Part IV, line 2)		200,148		
	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	476,334	221,663			
Operating and Administrative Expenses	13 Compensation of officers, directors, trustees, etc				
	14 Other employee salaries and wages				
	15 Pension plans, employee benefits				
	16a Legal fees (attach schedule).				
	b Accounting fees (attach schedule).	7,267	0	0	0
	c Other professional fees (attach schedule)	3,649	3,649		
	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).	15			
	24 Total operating and administrative expenses. Add lines 13 through 23	10,931	3,649	0	0
	25 Contributions, gifts, grants paid	52,808			52,808
26 Total expenses and disbursements. Add lines 24 and 25	63,739	3,649	0	52,808	
27 Subtract line 26 from line 12					
a Excess of revenue over expenses and disbursements	412,595				
b Net investment income (if negative, enter -0-)		218,014			
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	62	2,860	2,860	
	2 Savings and temporary cash investments	61,248	92,191	92,191	
	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)	50,000 <input type="checkbox"/>	0	0	
	b Investments—corporate stock (attach schedule)	284,330 <input type="checkbox"/>	392,178	669,517	
	c Investments—corporate bonds (attach schedule)	152,777 <input type="checkbox"/>	253,469	250,974	
	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)	548,417	740,698	1,015,542		
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 ▶ _____)	<input type="checkbox"/> 16,250	<input type="checkbox"/> 28,550		
23 Total liabilities (add lines 17 through 22)	16,250	28,550			
Net Assets or Fund Balances	Foundations that follow SFAS 117, check here <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 24 through 26 and lines 30 and 31.				
	24 Unrestricted	532,167	712,148		
	25 Temporarily restricted				
	26 Permanently restricted				
	Foundations that do not follow SFAS 117, check here <input type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 27 through 31.				
	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				
30 Total net assets or fund balances (see instructions)	532,167	712,148			
31 Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances (see instructions)	548,417	740,698			

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)	1 532,167
2	Enter amount from Part I, line 27a	2 412,595
3	Other increases not included in line 2 (itemize) ▶ _____ <input type="checkbox"/>	3 1,000
4	Add lines 1, 2, and 3	4 945,762
5	Decreases not included in line 2 (itemize) ▶ _____ <input type="checkbox"/>	5 233,614
6	Total net assets or fund balances at end of year (line 4 minus line 5)—Part II, column (b), line 30	6 712,148

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)
P		

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(e) Gross sales price	Depreciation allowed (f) (or allowable)	Cost or other basis (g) plus expense of sale	Gain or (loss) (h) (e) plus (f) minus (g)
393,384		193,236	200,148

(i) FMV as of 12/31/69	Adjusted basis (j) as of 12/31/69	Excess of col (i) (k) over col (j), if any	Gains (Col (h) gain minus col (k), but not less than -0-) or Losses (from col (h)) (l)
			200,148

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

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			200,148

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	200,148
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	43,238	754,752	0.057288
2013	28,200	706,036	0.039941
2012	44,567	669,716	0.066546
2011	17,025	399,774	0.042587
2010	15,704	363,352	0.04322
2 Total of line 1, column (d).			2 0.249582
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 0.049916
4 Enter the net value of noncharitable-use assets for 2015 from Part X, line 5.			4 986,109
5 Multiply line 4 by line 3.			5 49,223
6 Enter 1% of net investment income (1% of Part I, line 27b).			6 2,180
7 Add lines 5 and 6.			7 51,403
8 Enter qualifying distributions from Part XII, line 4.			8 52,808

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	2,180
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	
3	Add lines 1 and 2.	3	2,180
4	Subtitle A (income) tax (domestic section 4947(a)(1) trusts and taxable foundations only. Others enter -0-)	4	
5	Tax based on investment income. Subtract line 4 from line 3. If zero or less, enter -0-	5	2,180
6	Credits/Payments		
a	2015 estimated tax payments and 2014 overpayment credited to 2015	6a	1,603
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	1,603
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	577
10	Overpayment. If line 7 is more than the total of lines 5 and 8, enter the amount overpaid	10	
11	Enter the amount of line 10 to be Credited to 2015 estimated tax <input type="checkbox"/> Refunded <input type="checkbox"/>	11	

Part VII-A Statements Regarding Activities

	Yes	No
1a During the tax year, did the foundation attempt to influence any national, state, or local legislation or did it participate or intervene in any political campaign?		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>		No
c Did the foundation file Form 1120-POL for this year?		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>		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>		No
4a Did the foundation have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year?		No
b If "Yes," has it filed a tax return on Form 990-T for this year?		
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>		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?	Yes	
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>	Yes	
8a Enter the states to which the foundation reports or with which it is registered (see instructions) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> IL _____		
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>	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>		No
10 Did any persons become substantial contributors during the tax year? <i>If "Yes," attach a schedule listing their names and addresses.</i>		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
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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
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13 Did the foundation comply with the public inspection requirements for its annual returns and exemption application?

13	Yes	
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Website address ▶ _____

14 The books are in care of ▶ DR MICHAEL RIES Telephone no ▶ (312) 787-1496
Located at ▶ 1000 N STATE STREET chicago IL ZIP+4 ▶ 60610

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 ▶

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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

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 ▶ _____

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** **No**

(2) Borrow money from, lend money to, or otherwise extend credit to (or accept it from) a disqualified person? **Yes** **No**

(3) Furnish goods, services, or facilities to (or accept them from) a disqualified person? **Yes** **No**

(4) Pay compensation to, or pay or reimburse the expenses of, a disqualified person? **Yes** **No**

(5) Transfer any income or assets to a disqualified person (or make any of either available for the benefit or use of a disqualified person)? **Yes** **No**

(6) Agree to pay money or property to a government official? (**Exception.** Check "No" if the foundation agreed to make a grant to or to employ the official for a period after termination of government service, if terminating within 90 days) **Yes** **No**

b If any answer is "Yes" to 1a(1)–(6), did **any** of the acts fail to qualify under the exceptions described in Regulations section 53.4941(d)-3 or in a current notice regarding disaster assistance (see instructions)?

1b		
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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		No
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2 Taxes on failure to distribute income (section 4942) (does not apply for years the foundation was a private operating foundation defined in section 4942(j)(3) or 4942(j)(5))

a At the end of tax year 2015, did the foundation have any undistributed income (lines 6d and 6e, Part XIII) for tax year(s) beginning before 2015? **Yes** **No**
If "Yes," list the years ▶ 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		
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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? **Yes** **No**

b If "Yes," did it have excess business holdings in 2015 as a result of **(1)** any purchase by the foundation or disqualified persons after May 26, 1969, **(2)** the lapse of the 5-year period (or longer period approved by the Commissioner under section 4943(c)(7)) to dispose of holdings acquired by gift or bequest, or **(3)** the lapse of the 10-, 15-, or 20-year first phase holding period? (*Use Schedule C, Form 4720, to determine if the foundation had excess business holdings in 2015.*)

3b		
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4a Did the foundation invest during the year any amount in a manner that would jeopardize its charitable purposes?

4a		No
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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
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Part VII-B Statements Regarding Activities for Which Form 4720 May Be Required (Continued)

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

(1) Carry on propoganda, 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
Dr Michael H Ries 1000 N State Street Chicago, IL 60610	president, treas, director 0	0		
Dr Elaine Leboff-Ries 1000 N State Street Chicago, IL 60610	vice president, secr, director 0	0		
Jeffrey Ries 1000 N State Street Chicago, IL 60610	director 0	0		
Laura Ries 1000 N State Street Chicago, IL 60610	director 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

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

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	
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 ▶

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	917,117
b	Average of monthly cash balances.	1b	84,009
c	Fair market value of all other assets (see instructions).	1c	0
d	Total (add lines 1a, b, and c).	1d	1,001,126
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	0
3	Subtract line 2 from line 1d.	3	1,001,126
4	Cash deemed held for charitable activities Enter 1 1/2% of line 3 (for greater amount, see instructions).	4	15,017
5	Net value of noncharitable-use assets. Subtract line 4 from line 3 Enter here and on Part V, line 4	5	986,109
6	Minimum investment return. Enter 5% of line 5.	6	49,305

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	49,305
2a	Tax on investment income for 2015 from Part VI, line 5.	2a	2,180
b	Income tax for 2015 (This does not include the tax from Part VI).	2b	
c	Add lines 2a and 2b.	2c	2,180
3	Distributable amount before adjustments Subtract line 2c from line 1.	3	47,125
4	Recoveries of amounts treated as qualifying distributions.	4	1,000
5	Add lines 3 and 4.	5	48,125
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	48,125

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	52,808
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	0
3	Amounts set aside for specific charitable projects that satisfy the		
a	Suitability test (prior IRS approval required).	3a	0
b	Cash distribution test (attach the required schedule).	3b	0
4	Qualifying distributions. Add lines 1a through 3b Enter here and on Part V, line 8, and Part XIII, line 4	4	52,808
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	2,180
6	Adjusted qualifying distributions. Subtract line 5 from line 4.	6	50,628

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				48,125
2 Undistributed income, if any, as of the end of 2015				
a Enter amount for 2014 only.			0	
b Total for prior years 2013, 2012, 2011		0		
3 Excess distributions carryover, if any, to 2015				
a From 2010.				
b From 2011.				
c From 2012.	4,932			
d From 2013.				
e From 2014.	6,374			
f Total of lines 3a through e.	11,306			
4 Qualifying distributions for 2015 from Part XII, line 4 \blacktriangleright \$ <u>52,808</u>				
a Applied to 2014, but not more than line 2a			0	
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.				48,125
e Remaining amount distributed out of corpus	4,683			
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	15,989			
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.				
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.				0
7 Amounts treated as distributions out of corpus to satisfy requirements imposed by section 170(b)(1)(F) or 4942(g)(3) (Election may be required - see instructions).				
8 Excess distributions carryover from 2010 not applied on line 5 or line 7 (see instructions).				
9 Excess distributions carryover to 2016. Subtract lines 7 and 8 from line 6a.	15,989			
10 Analysis of line 9				
a Excess from 2011.				
b Excess from 2012.	4,932			
c Excess from 2013.				
d Excess from 2014.	6,374			
e Excess from 2015.	4,683			

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))

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 52,808
b <i>Approved for future payment</i>				
Total				3b

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>				
jewish united fund 30 s wells chicago,IL 60606	none	PC	charitable gift	21,775
us holocaust memorial 595 elm place highland park,IL 60035	none	PC	charitable gift	5,000
am shalom 840 vernon ave glencoe,IL 60022	none	PC	charitable gift	2,825
advocate health care 205 w touhy ave park ridge,IL 60068	none	PC	charitable gift	1,363
ezra-habonim nils township jewish congregation 4500 dempster st skokie,IL 60076	none	PC	charitable gift	100
the selfhelp home 908 w argyle street chicago,IL 60640	none	PC	charitable gift	1,550
rosalind franklin universtiy 3333 n green bay rd north chicago,IL 60064	none	PC	charitable gift	500
hillel G-34 Anabel Taylor Hall Ithaca,NY 14853	none	PC	charitable gift	500
respiratory health association 1440 w washington blvd chicago,IL 60607	none	PC	charitable gift	50
rush university 600 s paulina st chicago,IL 60612	none	PC	charitable gift	1,000
cornell university Day Hall Lobby Cornell University ithaca,NY 14853	none	PC	charitable gift	3,000
harvard business school development operations teelee hall soldiers field boston,MA 02163	none	PC	charitable gift	1,500
anti-defamation league 120 s lasalle st 1150 chicago,IL 60603	none	PC	charitable gift	1,500
kellogg school of management office of advancement donald p ja 2001 sheridan road evanston,IL 60208	none	PC	charitable gift	3,000
alzheimer's association 225 n michigan ave fl 17 chicago,IL 60601	none	PC	charitable gift	1,500
Total			3a	52,808

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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>				
american jewish committee 165 east 56th street new york, NY 10022	none	PC	charitable gift	1,250
friends of the idf 29 e madison street chicago, IL 60602	none	PC	charitable gift	720
chicago symphony orchestra 220 s michigan ave chicago, IL 60604	none	PC	charitable gift	500
weizmann institute of science 180 n lasalle st 3110 chicago, IL 60601	none	PC	charitable gift	250
simon wiesenthal center 1399 roxbury dr los angeles, CA 90035	none	PC	charitable gift	250
north shore university health system 1033 university place suite 450 evanston, IL 60201	none	PC	charitable gift	50
american cancer society 225 n michigan ave ste 1200 chicago, IL 60601	none	PC	charitable gift	180
lurie children's fund 225 e chicago ave chicago, IL 60611	none	PC	charitable gift	500
latin school of chicago 59 w north blvd chicago, IL 60610	none	PC	charitable gift	50
illinois holocaust museum 9603 woods dr skokie, IL 60077	none	PC	charitable gift	1,400
lookingglass theatre 821 n michigan ave chicago, IL 60611	none	PC	charitable gift	1,000
aids lifecycle 1035 market street suite 400 san francisco, CA 94103	none	PC	charitable gift	100
changing worlds 329 w 18th st 506 chicago, IL 60616	none	PC	charitable gift	100
urban gateways 205 w randolph st 1700 chicago, IL 60606	none	PC	charitable gift	50
northwestern memorial foundation 251 east huron street galter pavilion suite 3-200 chicago, IL 60611	none	PC	charitable gift	150
Total			3a	52,808

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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>				
university of michigan 3003 south state street suite 8000 ann arbor, MI 48109	none	PC	charitable gift	500
american heart association 208 s la salle st ste 1500 chicago, IL 60604	none	PC	charitable gift	25
cje seniorlife 3003 west touhy avenue chicago, IL 60645	none	PC	charitable gift	450
the chicago council on global affairs 332 s michigan ave chicago, IL 60604	none	PC	charitable gift	120
Total			▶ 3a	52,808

TY 2015 Accounting Fees Schedule

Name: Ries Foundation

EIN: 36-2545485

Category	Amount	Net Investment Income	Adjusted Net Income	Disbursements for Charitable Purposes
ACCOUNTING FEES	7,267			

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TY 2015 Depreciation Schedule

Name: Ries Foundation

EIN: 36-2545485

TY 2015 Investments Corporate Bonds Schedule

Name: Ries Foundation

EIN: 36-2545485

Name of Bond	End of Year Book Value	End of Year Fair Market Value
CORPORATE BONDS	253,469	250,974

TY 2015 Investments Corporate Stock Schedule

Name: Ries Foundation

EIN: 36-2545485

Name of Stock	End of Year Book Value	End of Year Fair Market Value
CORPORATE STOCKS	392,178	669,517

TY 2015 Investments Government Obligations Schedule

Name: Ries Foundation

EIN: 36-2545485

**US Government Securities - End of
Year Book Value:** 0

**US Government Securities - End of
Year Fair Market Value:** 0

**State & Local Government
Securities - End of Year Book
Value:**

**State & Local Government
Securities - End of Year Fair
Market Value:**

TY 2015 Other Decreases Schedule

Name: Ries Foundation

EIN: 36-2545485

Description	Amount
FMV OVER COST OF DONATED SECURITIES	233,614

TY 2015 Other Expenses Schedule

Name: Ries Foundation

EIN: 36-2545485

Description	Revenue and Expenses per Books	Net Investment Income	Adjusted Net Income	Disbursements for Charitable Purposes
FILING FEES	15			

TY 2015 Other Income Schedule

Name: Ries Foundation

EIN: 36-2545485

Description	Revenue And Expenses Per Books	Net Investment Income	Adjusted Net Income
MISCELLANEOUS INCOME			

TY 2015 Other Increases Schedule

Name: Ries Foundation

EIN: 36-2545485

Description	Amount
RECOVERY OF PREVIOUS DISTRIBUTION	1,000

TY 2015 Other Liabilities Schedule

Name: Ries Foundation

EIN: 36-2545485

Description	Beginning of Year - Book Value	End of Year - Book Value
CREDIT CARD PAYABLE	16,250	28,550

TY 2015 Other Professional Fees Schedule

Name: Ries Foundation

EIN: 36-2545485

Category	Amount	Net Investment Income	Adjusted Net Income	Disbursements for Charitable Purposes
INVESTMENT FEES	3,649	3,649		

TY 2015 Taxes Schedule

Name: Ries Foundation

EIN: 36-2545485

Category	Amount	Net Investment Income	Adjusted Net Income	Disbursements for Charitable Purposes
FEDERAL TAX				

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

Ries Foundation

Employer identification number

36-2545485

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 Ries Foundation	Employer identification number 36-2545485
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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	dr michael ries 1000 n state street unit 11 chicago, IL60610	\$ 254,671	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input checked="" 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
1	publicly traded securities	\$ 253,833	2015-01-22

(a) No. from Part I	(b) Description of noncash property given	(c) FMV (or estimate) (see instructions)	(d) Date received
		\$	

(a) No. from Part I	(b) Description of noncash property given	(c) FMV (or estimate) (see instructions)	(d) Date received
		\$	

(a) No. from Part I	(b) Description of noncash property given	(c) FMV (or estimate) (see instructions)	(d) Date received
		\$	

(a) No. from Part I	(b) Description of noncash property given	(c) FMV (or estimate) (see instructions)	(d) Date received
		\$	

(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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(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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