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

OMB No 1545-0052

**2015**Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service▶ Do not enter social security numbers on this form as it may be made public.  
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For calendar year 2015 or tax year beginning

, 2015, and ending

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Name of foundation <b>USG FOUNDATION, INC.</b>		<b>A</b> Employer identification number <b>36-2984045</b>
Number and street (or P O box number if mail is not delivered to street address) <b>550 W. ADAMS STREET</b>	Room/suite	<b>B</b> Telephone number (see instructions) <b>312-436-4000</b>
City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code <b>CHICAGO, IL 60661</b>		<b>C</b> If exemption application is pending, check here <input type="checkbox"/>
<b>G</b> Check all that apply: <input type="checkbox"/> Initial return <input type="checkbox"/> 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		<b>D</b> 1. Foreign organizations, check here <input type="checkbox"/> 2. Foreign organizations meeting the 85% test, check here and attach computation <input type="checkbox"/>
<b>H</b> Check type of organization: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Section 501(c)(3) exempt private foundation <input type="checkbox"/> Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust <input type="checkbox"/> Other taxable private foundation		<b>E</b> If private foundation status was terminated under section 507(b)(1)(A), check here <input type="checkbox"/>
<b>I</b> Fair market value of all assets at end of year (from Part II, col. (c), line 16) ▶ \$ <b>2,485,351</b>	<b>J</b> Accounting method: <input type="checkbox"/> Cash <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Accrual <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify) _____ (Part I, column (d) must be on cash basis.)	
<b>F</b> If the foundation is in a 60-month termination under section 507(b)(1)(B), check here <input type="checkbox"/>		

<b>Part I Analysis of Revenue and Expenses</b> (The total of amounts in columns (b), (c), and (d) may not necessarily equal the amounts in column (a) (see instructions))		(a) Revenue and expenses per books	(b) Net investment income	(c) Adjusted net income	(d) Disbursements for charitable purposes (cash basis only)
<b>Revenue</b>	1 Contributions, gifts, grants, etc., received (attach schedule)	0			
	2 Check <input checked="" 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)	0				
11 Other income (attach schedule)					
12 <b>Total.</b> Add lines 1 through 11	0	0	0		
<b>Operating and Administrative Expenses</b>	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)				
	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)	9,500			9,500
	24 <b>Total operating and administrative expenses.</b> Add lines 13 through 23	9,500			9,500
	25 Contributions, gifts, grants paid	539,537			539,537
26 <b>Total expenses and disbursements.</b> Add lines 24 and 25	549,037			549,037	
27 Subtract line 26 from line 12:					
a <b>Excess of revenue over expenses and disbursements</b>	(549,037)				
b <b>Net investment income</b> (if negative, enter -0-)		0			
c <b>Adjusted net income</b> (if negative, enter -0-)			0		

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<b>Part II Balance Sheets</b>		Attached schedules and amounts in the description column should be for end-of-year amounts only (See instructions)	Beginning of year	End of year	
			(a) Book Value	(b) Book Value	(c) Fair Market Value
<b>Assets</b>	1	Cash—non-interest-bearing . . . . .	3,034,388	2,485,351	2,485,351
	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) ▶ . . . . .			
<b>Liabilities</b>	12	Investments—mortgage loans . . . . .			
	13	Investments—other (attach schedule) . . . . .			
	14	Land, buildings, and equipment: basis ▶ . . . . .			
		Less: accumulated depreciation (attach schedule) ▶ . . . . .			
	15	Other assets (describe ▶ . . . . . )			
	16	<b>Total assets</b> (to be completed by all filers—see the instructions. Also, see page 1, item I) . . . . .	3,034,388	2,485,351	2,485,351
	17	Accounts payable and accrued expenses . . . . .			
	18	Grants payable . . . . .			
	19	Deferred revenue . . . . .			
	20	Loans from officers, directors, trustees, and other disqualified persons . . . . .			
	21	Mortgages and other notes payable (attach schedule) . . . . .			
	22	Other liabilities (describe ▶ . . . . . )			
	23	<b>Total liabilities</b> (add lines 17 through 22) . . . . .	0	0	
<b>Net Assets or Fund Balances</b>		<b>Foundations that follow SFAS 117, check here</b> ▶ <input type="checkbox"/> <b>and complete lines 24 through 26 and lines 30 and 31.</b>			
	24	Unrestricted . . . . .			
	25	Temporarily restricted . . . . .			
	26	Permanently restricted . . . . .			
		<b>Foundations that do not follow SFAS 117, check here</b> ▶ <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>and complete lines 27 through 31.</b>			
	27	Capital stock, trust principal, or current funds . . . . .	23,122,171	23,122,171	
	28	Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, bldg., and equipment fund . . . . .			
	29	Retained earnings, accumulated income, endowment, or other funds . . . . .	(20,087,783)	(20,636,820)	
	30	<b>Total net assets or fund balances</b> (see instructions) . . . . .	3,034,388	2,485,351	
	31	<b>Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances</b> (see instructions) . . . . .	3,034,388	2,485,351	

**Part III Analysis of Changes in Net Assets or Fund Balances**

1	Total net assets or fund balances at beginning of year—Part II, column (a), line 30 (must agree with end-of-year figure reported on prior year's return) . . . . .	1	3,034,388
2	Enter amount from Part I, line 27a . . . . .	2	(549,037)
3	Other increases not included in line 2 (itemize) ▶ . . . . .	3	
4	Add lines 1, 2, and 3 . . . . .	4	2,485,351
5	Decreases not included in line 2 (itemize) ▶ . . . . .	5	
6	Total net assets or fund balances at end of year (line 4 minus line 5)—Part II, column (b), line 30 . . . . .	6	2,485,351

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

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

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

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

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

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

(a) Base period years Calendar year (or tax year beginning in)	(b) Adjusted qualifying distributions	(c) Net value of noncharitable-use assets	(d) Distribution ratio (col (b) divided by col (c))
2014	511,258	2,358,972	0.2167
2013	561,718	1,118,586	0.5022
2012	654,618	1,111,870	0.5888
2011	634,555	1,003,724	0.6322
2010	633,494	1,008,851	0.6279
<b>2</b> Total of line 1, column (d) . . . . .	<b>2</b>	2.5678	
<b>3</b> Average distribution ratio for the 5-year base period—divide the total on line 2 by 5, or by the number of years the foundation has been in existence if less than 5 years . . . . .	<b>3</b>	0.51356	
<b>4</b> Enter the net value of noncharitable-use assets for 2015 from Part X, line 5 . . . . .	<b>4</b>	2,675,137	
<b>5</b> Multiply line 4 by line 3 . . . . .	<b>5</b>	1,373,843	
<b>6</b> Enter 1% of net investment income (1% of Part I, line 27b) . . . . .	<b>6</b>	0	
<b>7</b> Add lines 5 and 6 . . . . .	<b>7</b>	1,373,843	
<b>8</b> Enter qualifying distributions from Part XII, line 4 . . . . . If line 8 is equal to or greater than line 7, check the box in Part VI, line 1b, and complete that part using a 1% tax rate. See the Part VI instructions.	<b>8</b>	549,037	

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

<b>1a</b>	Exempt operating foundations described in section 4940(d)(2), check here <input type="checkbox"/> and enter "N/A" on line 1. Date of ruling or determination letter: _____ (attach copy of letter if necessary—see instructions)			
<b>b</b>	Domestic foundations that meet the section 4940(e) requirements in Part V, check here <input type="checkbox"/> and enter 1% of Part I, line 27b	<b>1</b>		<b>0</b>
<b>c</b>	All other domestic foundations enter 2% of line 27b. Exempt foreign organizations enter 4% of Part I, line 12, col. (b).			
<b>2</b>	Tax under section 511 (domestic section 4947(a)(1) trusts and taxable foundations only. Others enter -0-)	<b>2</b>		
<b>3</b>	Add lines 1 and 2	<b>3</b>		<b>0</b>
<b>4</b>	Subtitle A (income) tax (domestic section 4947(a)(1) trusts and taxable foundations only. Others enter -0-)	<b>4</b>		
<b>5</b>	<b>Tax based on investment income.</b> Subtract line 4 from line 3. If zero or less, enter -0-	<b>5</b>		<b>0</b>
<b>6</b>	<b>Credits/Payments:</b>			
<b>a</b>	2015 estimated tax payments and 2014 overpayment credited to 2015	<b>6a</b>	1,070	
<b>b</b>	Exempt foreign organizations—tax withheld at source	<b>6b</b>	0	
<b>c</b>	Tax paid with application for extension of time to file (Form 8868)	<b>6c</b>	0	
<b>d</b>	Backup withholding erroneously withheld	<b>6d</b>	0	
<b>7</b>	Total credits and payments. Add lines 6a through 6d	<b>7</b>		<b>1,070</b>
<b>8</b>	Enter any <b>penalty</b> for underpayment of estimated tax. Check here <input type="checkbox"/> if Form 2220 is attached	<b>8</b>		<b>0</b>
<b>9</b>	<b>Tax due.</b> If the total of lines 5 and 8 is more than line 7, enter <b>amount owed</b>	<b>9</b>		<b>0</b>
<b>10</b>	<b>Overpayment.</b> If line 7 is more than the total of lines 5 and 8, enter the <b>amount overpaid</b>	<b>10</b>		<b>1,070</b>
<b>11</b>	Enter the amount of line 10 to be: <b>Credited to 2016 estimated tax</b> <b>1,070</b> <b>Refunded</b>	<b>11</b>		<b>0</b>

**Part VII-A Statements Regarding Activities**

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

**Part VII-A Statements Regarding Activities (continued)**

	Yes	No
<b>11</b> 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) . . . . .		✓
<b>12</b> 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) . . . . .		✓
<b>13</b> Did the foundation comply with the public inspection requirements for its annual returns and exemption application? Website address ▶ <u>N/A</u>	✓	
<b>14</b> The books are in care of ▶ <u>BRIAN J. COOK</u> Telephone no. ▶ <u>312-436-4000</u> Located at ▶ <u>550 W ADAMS ST. CHICAGO, IL</u> ZIP+4 ▶ <u>60661-3676</u>		
<b>15</b> 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 . . . . . ▶ <u>15</u>		<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>16</b> At any time during calendar year 2015, did the foundation have an interest in or a signature or other authority over a bank, securities, or other financial account in a foreign country? . . . . . See the instructions for exceptions and filing requirements for FinCEN Form 114. If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country ▶		✓

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

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

	Yes	No
<b>1a</b> During the year did the foundation (either directly or indirectly): (1) Engage in the sale or exchange, or leasing of property with a disqualified person? . . . . . <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No (2) Borrow money from, lend money to, or otherwise extend credit to (or accept it from) a disqualified person? . . . . . <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No (3) Furnish goods, services, or facilities to (or accept them from) a disqualified person? . . . . . <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No (4) Pay compensation to, or pay or reimburse the expenses of, a disqualified person? . . . . . <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No (5) Transfer any income or assets to a disqualified person (or make any of either available for the benefit or use of a disqualified person)? . . . . . <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No (6) Agree to pay money or property to a government official? ( <b>Exception.</b> Check "No" if the foundation agreed to make a grant to or to employ the official for a period after termination of government service, if terminating within 90 days.) . . . . . <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No		
<b>b</b> If any answer is "Yes" to 1a(1)–(6), did <b>any</b> of the acts fail to qualify under the exceptions described in Regulations section 53.4941(d)-3 or in a current notice regarding disaster assistance (see instructions)? . . . . . Organizations relying on a current notice regarding disaster assistance check here . . . . . ▶ <input type="checkbox"/>	<b>1b</b>	
<b>c</b> 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? . . . . .	<b>1c</b>	✓
<b>2</b> 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)):		
<b>a</b> At the end of tax year 2015, did the foundation have any undistributed income (lines 6d and 6e, Part XIII) for tax year(s) beginning before 2015? . . . . . <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No If "Yes," list the years ▶ 20____, 20____, 20____, 20____		
<b>b</b> Are there any years listed in 2a for which the foundation is <b>not</b> 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.) . . . . .	<b>2b</b>	
<b>c</b> If the provisions of section 4942(a)(2) are being applied to <b>any</b> of the years listed in 2a, list the years here. ▶ 20____, 20____, 20____, 20____		
<b>3a</b> Did the foundation hold more than a 2% direct or indirect interest in any business enterprise at any time during the year? . . . . . <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No		
<b>b</b> If "Yes," did it have excess business holdings in 2015 as a result of (1) any purchase by the foundation or disqualified persons after May 26, 1969; (2) the lapse of the 5-year period (or longer period approved by the Commissioner under section 4943(c)(7)) to dispose of holdings acquired by gift or bequest; or (3) the lapse of the 10-, 15-, or 20-year first phase holding period? ( <i>Use Schedule C, Form 4720, to determine if the foundation had excess business holdings in 2015.</i> ) . . . . .	<b>3b</b>	
<b>4a</b> Did the foundation invest during the year any amount in a manner that would jeopardize its charitable purposes?	<b>4a</b>	✓
<b>b</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?	<b>4b</b>	✓

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

<b>5a</b> 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))?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
(2)	Influence the outcome of any specific public election (see section 4955); or to carry on, directly or indirectly, any voter registration drive?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
(3)	Provide a grant to an individual for travel, study, or other similar purposes?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
(4)	Provide a grant to an organization other than a charitable, etc., organization described in section 4945(d)(4)(A)? (see instructions)	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 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?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
<b>b</b>	If any answer is "Yes" to 5a(1)–(5), did <b>any</b> 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)?	<b>5b</b>		
	Organizations relying on a current notice regarding disaster assistance check here	<input type="checkbox"/>		
<b>c</b>	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?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	
	If "Yes," attach the statement required by Regulations section 53.4945–5(d).			
<b>6a</b>	Did the foundation, during the year, receive any funds, directly or indirectly, to pay premiums on a personal benefit contract?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
<b>b</b>	Did the foundation, during the year, pay premiums, directly or indirectly, on a personal benefit contract?	<b>6b</b>		
	If "Yes" to 6b, file Form 8870.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
<b>7a</b>	At any time during the tax year, was the foundation a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
<b>b</b>	If "Yes," did the foundation receive any proceeds or have any net income attributable to the transaction?	<b>7b</b>		

**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
<b>STATEMENT 2</b>				
	0	0	0	0
	0	0	0	0
	0	0	0	0
	0	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
<b>NONE</b>				

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

**Part VIII Information About Officers, Directors, Trustees, Foundation Managers, Highly Paid Employees, and Contractors** *(continued)***3 Five highest-paid independent contractors for professional services (see instructions). If none, enter "NONE."**

(a) Name and address of each person paid more than \$50,000	(b) Type of service	(c) Compensation
NONE		0
		0
		0
		0
		0
		0
<b>Total number of others receiving over \$50,000 for professional services</b>		

**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

<b>1</b> VARIOUS HEALTH AND WELFARE ACTIVITIES - SEE STATEMENT 3	206,955
<b>2</b> VARIOUS EDUCATION ACTIVITIES - SEE STATEMENT 4	143,898
<b>3</b> VARIOUS ARTS AND CULTURE ACTIVITIES - SEE STATEMENT 5	50,159
<b>4</b> VARIOUS CIVIC ACTIVITIES - SEE STATEMENT 6	138,525

**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

<b>1</b> NONE	0
<b>2</b> NONE	0
All other program-related investments See instructions	
<b>3</b> NONE	0
<b>Total.</b> Add lines 1 through 3	0



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

<b>1</b>	Fair market value of assets not used (or held for use) directly in carrying out charitable, etc., purposes:		
<b>a</b>	Average monthly fair market value of securities . . . . .	<b>1a</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>b</b>	Average of monthly cash balances . . . . .	<b>1b</b>	<b>2,715,875</b>
<b>c</b>	Fair market value of all other assets (see instructions) . . . . .	<b>1c</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>d</b>	<b>Total</b> (add lines 1a, b, and c) . . . . .	<b>1d</b>	<b>2,715,875</b>
<b>e</b>	Reduction claimed for blockage or other factors reported on lines 1a and 1c (attach detailed explanation) . . . . .	<b>1e</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>2</b>	Acquisition indebtedness applicable to line 1 assets . . . . .	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>3</b>	Subtract line 2 from line 1d . . . . .	<b>3</b>	<b>2,715,875</b>
<b>4</b>	Cash deemed held for charitable activities. Enter 1½% of line 3 (for greater amount, see instructions) . . . . .	<b>4</b>	<b>40,738</b>
<b>5</b>	<b>Net value of noncharitable-use assets.</b> Subtract line 4 from line 3. Enter here and on Part V, line 4	<b>5</b>	<b>2,675,137</b>
<b>6</b>	<b>Minimum investment return.</b> Enter 5% of line 5 . . . . .	<b>6</b>	<b>133,757</b>

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

<b>1</b>	Minimum investment return from Part X, line 6 . . . . .	<b>1</b>	<b>133,757</b>
<b>2a</b>	Tax on investment income for 2015 from Part VI, line 5 . . . . .	<b>2a</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>b</b>	Income tax for 2015 (This does not include the tax from Part VI.) . . . . .	<b>2b</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>c</b>	Add lines 2a and 2b . . . . .	<b>2c</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>3</b>	Distributable amount before adjustments. Subtract line 2c from line 1 . . . . .	<b>3</b>	<b>133,757</b>
<b>4</b>	Recoveries of amounts treated as qualifying distributions . . . . .	<b>4</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>5</b>	Add lines 3 and 4 . . . . .	<b>5</b>	<b>133,757</b>
<b>6</b>	Deduction from distributable amount (see instructions) . . . . .	<b>6</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>7</b>	<b>Distributable amount</b> as adjusted. Subtract line 6 from line 5. Enter here and on Part XIII, line 1 . . . . .	<b>7</b>	<b>133,757</b>

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

<b>1</b>	Amounts paid (including administrative expenses) to accomplish charitable, etc., purposes:		
<b>a</b>	Expenses, contributions, gifts, etc.—total from Part I, column (d), line 26 . . . . .	<b>1a</b>	<b>549,037</b>
<b>b</b>	Program-related investments—total from Part IX-B . . . . .	<b>1b</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>2</b>	Amounts paid to acquire assets used (or held for use) directly in carrying out charitable, etc., purposes . . . . .	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>3</b>	Amounts set aside for specific charitable projects that satisfy the:		
<b>a</b>	Suitability test (prior IRS approval required) . . . . .	<b>3a</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>b</b>	Cash distribution test (attach the required schedule) . . . . .	<b>3b</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>4</b>	<b>Qualifying distributions.</b> Add lines 1a through 3b. Enter here and on Part V, line 8, and Part XIII, line 4	<b>4</b>	<b>549,037</b>
<b>5</b>	Foundations that qualify under section 4940(e) for the reduced rate of tax on net investment income. Enter 1% of Part I, line 27b (see instructions) . . . . .	<b>5</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>6</b>	<b>Adjusted qualifying distributions.</b> Subtract line 5 from line 4 . . . . .	<b>6</b>	<b>549,037</b>

**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
<b>1</b> Distributable amount for 2015 from Part XI, line 7 . . . . .				<b>133,757</b>
<b>2</b> Undistributed income, if any, as of the end of 2015:				
<b>a</b> Enter amount for 2014 only . . . . .			<b>0</b>	
<b>b</b> Total for prior years. 20____, 20____, 20____		<b>0</b>		
<b>3</b> Excess distributions carryover, if any, to 2015:				
<b>a</b> From 2010 . . . . .	<b>583,071</b>			
<b>b</b> From 2011 . . . . .	<b>584,381</b>			
<b>c</b> From 2012 . . . . .	<b>599,071</b>			
<b>d</b> From 2013 . . . . .	<b>505,789</b>			
<b>e</b> From 2014 . . . . .	<b>393,309</b>			
<b>f</b> <b>Total</b> of lines 3a through e . . . . .	<b>2,665,621</b>			
<b>4</b> Qualifying distributions for 2015 from Part XII, line 4: <b>\$</b> <b>549,037</b>				
<b>a</b> Applied to 2014, but not more than line 2a . . . . .			<b>0</b>	
<b>b</b> Applied to undistributed income of prior years (Election required—see instructions) . . . . .		<b>0</b>		
<b>c</b> Treated as distributions out of corpus (Election required—see instructions) . . . . .	<b>0</b>			
<b>d</b> Applied to 2015 distributable amount . . . . .				<b>133,757</b>
<b>e</b> Remaining amount distributed out of corpus . . . . .	<b>415,280</b>			
<b>5</b> Excess distributions carryover applied to 2015 (If an amount appears in column (d), the same amount must be shown in column (a).)	<b>0</b>			<b>0</b>
<b>6</b> Enter the net total of each column as indicated below:				
<b>a</b> Corpus. Add lines 3f, 4c, and 4e. Subtract line 5 . . . . .	<b>3,080,901</b>			
<b>b</b> Prior years' undistributed income. Subtract line 4b from line 2b . . . . .		<b>0</b>		
<b>c</b> Enter the amount of prior years' undistributed income for which a notice of deficiency has been issued, or on which the section 4942(a) tax has been previously assessed . . . . .		<b>0</b>		
<b>d</b> Subtract line 6c from line 6b. Taxable amount—see instructions . . . . .		<b>0</b>		
<b>e</b> Undistributed income for 2014. Subtract line 4a from line 2a. Taxable amount—see instructions . . . . .			<b>0</b>	
<b>f</b> Undistributed income for 2015. Subtract lines 4d and 5 from line 1. This amount must be distributed in 2016 . . . . .				<b>0</b>
<b>7</b> Amounts treated as distributions out of corpus to satisfy requirements imposed by section 170(b)(1)(F) or 4942(g)(3) (Election may be required—see instructions) . . . . .	<b>0</b>			
<b>8</b> Excess distributions carryover from 2010 not applied on line 5 or line 7 (see instructions) . . . . .	<b>583,071</b>			
<b>9</b> <b>Excess distributions carryover to 2016.</b> Subtract lines 7 and 8 from line 6a . . . . .	<b>2,497,830</b>			
<b>10</b> Analysis of line 9:				
<b>a</b> Excess from 2011 . . . . .	<b>584,381</b>			
<b>b</b> Excess from 2012 . . . . .	<b>599,071</b>			
<b>c</b> Excess from 2013 . . . . .	<b>505,789</b>			
<b>d</b> Excess from 2014 . . . . .	<b>393,309</b>			
<b>e</b> Excess from 2015 . . . . .	<b>415,280</b>			

**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 . . . . . **N/A**

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

	Tax year				(e) Total
	(a) 2015	(b) 2014	(c) 2013	(d) 2012	
<b>2a</b> Enter the lesser of the adjusted net income from Part I or the minimum investment return from Part X for each year listed . . . . .	0	0	0	0	0
<b>b</b> 85% of line 2a . . . . .	0	0	0	0	0
<b>c</b> Qualifying distributions from Part XII, line 4 for each year listed . . . . .	0	0	0	0	0
<b>d</b> Amounts included in line 2c not used directly for active conduct of exempt activities . . . . .	0	0	0	0	0
<b>e</b> Qualifying distributions made directly for active conduct of exempt activities. Subtract line 2d from line 2c . . . . .	0	0	0	0	0
<b>3</b> Complete 3a, b, or c for the alternative test relied upon:					
<b>a</b> "Assets" alternative test—enter:					
<b>(1)</b> Value of all assets . . . . .	0	0	0	0	0
<b>(2)</b> Value of assets qualifying under section 4942(j)(3)(B)(i) . . . . .	0	0	0	0	0
<b>b</b> "Endowment" alternative test—enter <sup>2</sup> / <sub>3</sub> of minimum investment return shown in Part X, line 6 for each year listed . . . . .	0	0	0	0	0
<b>c</b> "Support" alternative test—enter:					
<b>(1)</b> Total support other than gross investment income (interest, dividends, rents, payments on securities loans (section 512(a)(5)), or royalties) . . . . .	0	0	0	0	0
<b>(2)</b> Support from general public and 5 or more exempt organizations as provided in section 4942(j)(3)(B)(iii) . . . . .	0	0	0	0	0
<b>(3)</b> Largest amount of support from an exempt organization . . . . .	0	0	0	0	0
<b>(4)</b> Gross investment income . . . . .	0	0	0	0	0

**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).)

**USG CORPORATION CONTRIBUTES 100%**

- 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:

**BRIAN J. COOK 550 W ADAMS STREET CHICAGO, IL 60661 (312)436-4000**

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

**SEE STATEMENT 7 "HOW TO APPLY FOR A GRANT"**

- c** Any submission deadlines:

**SEE STATEMENT 7 "APPLICATIONS ARE SUBMITTED AT ANY TIME"**

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

**SEE STATEMENT 7 "CRITERIA FOR GRANTS" AND "POLICY AND RESTRICTIONS"**

### **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)					
<b>a</b> <i>Paid during the year</i>					
SEE STATEMENTS 3-6					539,537
<b>Total</b>				3a	539,537
<b>b</b> <i>Approved for future payment</i>					
<b>Total</b>				3b	0

**Part XVI-A Analysis of Income-Producing Activities**

Enter gross amounts unless otherwise indicated.

Enter gross amounts unless otherwise indicated.		Unrelated business income		Excluded by section 512, 513, or 514		(e) Related or exempt function income (See instructions)
		(a) Business code	(b) Amount	(c) Exclusion code	(d) Amount	
1	Program service revenue:					
a						
b						
c						
d						
e						
f						
g	Fees and contracts from government agencies					
2	Membership dues and assessments . . . . .					
3	Interest on savings and temporary cash investments					
4	Dividends and interest from securities . . . . .					
5	Net rental income or (loss) from real estate:					
a	Debt-financed property . . . . .					
b	Not debt-financed property . . . . .					
6	Net rental income or (loss) from personal property					
7	Other investment income . . . . .					
8	Gain or (loss) from sales of assets other than inventory					
9	Net income or (loss) from special events . . . .					
10	Gross profit or (loss) from sales of inventory . .					
11	Other revenue: a					
b						
c						
d						
e						
12	Subtotal. Add columns (b), (d), and (e) . . . . .		0		0	0
13	Total. Add line 12, columns (b), (d), and (e) . . . . .				13	0

(See worksheet in line 13 instructions to verify calculations.)

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

[illegible]

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

		Yes	No
<b>1</b>	Did the organization directly or indirectly engage in any of the following with any other organization described in section 501(c) of the Code (other than section 501(c)(3) organizations) or in section 527, relating to political organizations?		
<b>a</b>	Transfers from the reporting foundation to a noncharitable exempt organization of:		
	(1) Cash . . . . .	<b>1a(1)</b>	✓
	(2) Other assets . . . . .	<b>1a(2)</b>	✓
<b>b</b>	Other transactions:		
	(1) Sales of assets to a noncharitable exempt organization . . . . .	<b>1b(1)</b>	✓
	(2) Purchases of assets from a noncharitable exempt organization . . . . .	<b>1b(2)</b>	✓
	(3) Rental of facilities, equipment, or other assets . . . . .	<b>1b(3)</b>	✓
	(4) Reimbursement arrangements . . . . .	<b>1b(4)</b>	✓
	(5) Loans or loan guarantees . . . . .	<b>1b(5)</b>	✓
	(6) Performance of services or membership or fundraising solicitations . . . . .	<b>1b(6)</b>	✓
<b>c</b>	Sharing of facilities, equipment, mailing lists, other assets, or paid employees . . . . .	<b>1c</b>	✓
<b>d</b>	If the answer to any of the above is "Yes," complete the following schedule. Column (b) should always show the fair market value of the goods, other assets, or services given by the reporting foundation. If the foundation received less than fair market value in any transaction or sharing arrangement, show in column (d) the value of the goods, other assets, or services received.		

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**2a** Is the foundation directly or indirectly affiliated with, or related to, one or more tax-exempt organizations described in section 501(c) of the Code (other than section 501(c)(3)) or in section 527? . . . . . ☒ Yes ☐ No

**b** If “Yes,” complete the following schedule.

(a) Name of organization	(b) Type of organization	(c) Description of relationship
<b>USG CORPORATION EMPLOYEE BENEFIT TRUST</b>	<b>SEC 501(C)(9)</b>	<b>BOTH THE REPORTING FOUNDATION AND THE TRUST ARE ORGANIZED AND MAINTAINED BY USG CORPORATION.</b>

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

**Sign  
Here**

Signature of officer or trustee

5/11/16  
Date

**PRESIDENT**  
Title

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

<b>Paid Preparer Use Only</b>	Print/type preparer's name	Preparer's signature	Date	Check <input type="checkbox"/> if self-employed	PTIN
	Firm's name ▶			Firm's EIN ▶	
	Firm's address ▶			Phone no ▶	

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**Form 990-PF, Part I, Line 23 - Other Expenses**

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<b>Description</b>	<b>Revenue and Expenses Per Books</b>
Software Expenses	9,500.00
Total	<u>9,500.00</u>

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Form 990-PF, Part VIII - List of Officers, Directors, and Trustees

Name and Address	Title	Estimated Hours per Week	Compensation	Contributions to Emp Benefit Plan/Deferred Comp	Expense Account & Other Allow
Brian J Cook 550 West Adams St Chicago, IL 60661	President & Director	1.5	None	None	None
Jeffrey P Rodewald 550 West Adams St Chicago, IL 60661	Director	1.5	None	None	None
Chris Rosenthal 550 West Adams St Chicago, IL 60661	Treasurer	1.5	None	None	None
Gregory D Salah 550 West Adams St Chicago, IL 60661	Director	1.5	None	None	None
James S. Metcalf 550 West Adams St Chicago, IL 60661	Vice President & Director	1.5	None	None	None
Jennifer F Scanlon 550 West Adams St Chicago, IL 60661	Vice President & Director	1.5	None	None	None
Margaret A Clark 550 West Adams St Chicago, IL 60661	Assistant Secretary	1.5	None	None	None



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Donations Report  
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Health & Welfare Activities

Organization Name	Purpose	Status	Dollar Amount	% of Total
SHORE Community Services	To improve life for individuals with developmental disabilities	Public Charity	50,000 00	
American Red Cross (Washington Mudslide)	For assistance to indigent families	Public Charity	42,600 00	
Chicago United, Inc	To provide social opportunities for corporate leaders	Public Charity	20,000 00	
Habitat for Humanity	To help people to build homes and communities	Group	12,500 00	
Robert Crown Centers for Health Education	To motivate kids toward healthy lifestyle	Public Charity	10,100 00	
American Heart Association	To reduce cardiovascular disease	Public Charity	10,100 00	
All Stars Project Chicago	To help young people to develop power of performance	Public Charity	10,000 00	
Ullrich Childrens Advantage Network	To provide counseling and educational support for youth	Public Charity	10,000 00	
The Cradle	To help people in adoption services	Public Charity	10,000 00	
Children's Cancer Association	To care for children with cancer	Public Charity	5,000 00	
Bernie's Kids	To provide needy children to experience the joy of Christmas	Public Charity	1,500 00	
Diamond Youth Foundation	Focuses on mentoring high school students	501(c)(3) exempt organization	1,000 00	
Wounded Warrior Project	To offer a variety of programs, services and events for wounded veterans	Public Charity	500 00	
Chicago Run	To promote the health and wellness of Chicago children	Public Charity	100 00	
Make a Wish	To grant the wishes of children with life-threatening medical conditions	Public Charity	100 00	
Ronald McDonald House	To help ill children with meals and housing	Public Charity	100 00	
United Way of Greater Metro Chicago	For assistance to indigent families	Public Charity	100 00	
Health & Welfare Gift Match	To match contributions made by others	Various Public Charities and Exempt Orgs	23,255 00	
Total Health and Welfare			206,955 00	38%

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Education Activities

<u>Organization Name</u>	<u>Purpose</u>	<u>Status</u>	<u>Dollar Amount</u>	<u>% of Total</u>
National Merit Scholarship Boston College	To help fund college costs	Public Charity	\$ 67,880.00	
George Brown College Foundation	To help fund college costs	Public Charity	10,000.00	
Education Gift Match	To support students	Public Charity	5,000.00	
	To match contributions made by others	Various Public Charities and Exempt Orgs	61,018.00	
Total Education			<u>143,898.00</u>	<u>27%</u>

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Arts & Culture Activities

Organization Name	Purpose	Status	Dollar Amount	% of Total
Music of the Baroque	To help underwrite music costs	Public Charity	\$ 15,000 00	
Naperville Heritage Society	To help underwrite museum operating costs	Public Charity	10,000 00	
Chicago Children's Museum	To improve children's lives by creating a community	501(c)(3) exempt organization	10,000 00	
Arts & Business Council of Chicago	To assist arts org with board and management consulting	Public Charity	100 00	
Arts & Culture Gift Match	To match contributions made by others	Various Public Charities and Exempt Orgs	15,059 00	
Total Arts & Culture			50,159 00	9%

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**Civic Activities**

Organization Name	Purpose	Status	Dollar Amount	% of Total
Mercy Housing Lakefront	To support low income housing	Public Charity	25,000 00	
Chicago Cares	To meet critical needs for people	Public Charity	16,500 00	
Career Transitions Center of Chicago	To assist those in need of job placement	Public Charity	15,100 00	
Equip for Equality	To advance the human&civil rights of people with disabilities	Public Charity	10,100 00	
AEC Cares	To connect architecture professionals to communities	501(c)(3) exempt organization	10,000 00	
Junior Achievement of Chicago	To bring financial literacy and entrepreneurship into classroom	Public Charity	10,000 00	
Hubbard Street Dance Chicago	To bring artists into the lives of people	Public Charity	10,000 00	
Easter Seals Dupage and the Fox Valley	To provide service for children with disabilities	Public Charity	10,000 00	
Chicago Police Memorial Foundation	To honor the lives of our fallen Chicago Police heroes	Public Charity	5,000 00	
Naperville Noon Lions Foundation	To help youth in need	Public Charity	5,000 00	
Chamblee Middle School Education Foundation	To support students with education	PF	2,500 00	
Lost Boyz, Inc	To help youth in community	Public Charity	2,100 00	
Midwest Rescue of Illinois	To find homes for animals	501 (c)(3) not-for-profit organization	2,000 00	
Harvester Community Food Network	To provide resource to needed people	Public Charity	2,000 00	
Save-A-Pet	To help for pet	Public Charity	1,500 00	
Wellsburg Elks Lodge 1553	To provide lodging in need	501 (c)(8) not-for-profit organization	1,500 00	
Boy Scouts of America - Troop 293	A boy-led organization	501 (c)(3) not-for-profit organization	1,000 00	
Center for Economic Progress	To provide financial coach	Public Charity	1,000 00	
Furry Friends Pet Assisted Therapy Services	To facilitate help for pet	Public Charity	1,000 00	
Kwanis Youth Foundation - Lakeview	To provide financial support to inner city youth org	Public Charity	1,000 00	
Kononia	To help people in need	Public Charity	1,000 00	
Forest Hill Recreation Council	To promote community based recreation and leisure activities	Public Charity	500 00	
Back 2 School Illinois	To provide students with school supplies	501 (c)(3) not-for-profit organization	100 00	
Cards for Kidz	To provide supplies for kids in hospitals	501 (c)(3) not-for-profit organization	100 00	
Greater Chicago Food Depository	To provide food for hungry people	Public Charity	100 00	
Horizons for Youth	To help children recognize and achieve their potential	Public Charity	100 00	
My Giant Steps	To provide services for disability individuals	501 (c)(3) not-for-profit organization	100 00	
Civic Gift Matching	To match contributions made by others	Various Public Charities and Exempt Orgs	4,225 00	
Total Civic Activities			138,525 00	26%

USG Foundation, Inc.



## Enrichment Through Giving



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### RANT POLICIES AND RESTRICTIONS

accordance with federal law, policy and budget  
mitations, the USG Foundation, Inc. does not con-  
tribute to:

- Organizations without Internal Revenue  
Service tax-exempt 501 (c) (3) status
- Secarian organizations having an exclusively  
religious nature
- Individuals
- Political parties, offices, or candidates
- Fraternal or veteran's organizations
- Primary or secondary schools
- Organizations that cannot provide adequate  
accounting records or procedures
- Courtesy advertising

The USG Foundation's fiscal year corresponds to  
the calendar year. In general, if a request is turned  
down, the requesting organization should wait a  
year before reapplying for a grant. In addition, an  
approved grant does not necessarily indicate that  
continued support will automatically be available  
the following year. For this reason, grant requests  
must be resubmitted on an annual basis unless  
otherwise stipulated.

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Many people recognize that the path to enrichment lies in giving away a part of yourself. At USG Corporation, we recognize that by giving to the communities where we work, we enrich our lives and the lives of our families, friends, colleagues, customers, and citizens whom we may never meet but whom we can touch just the same. This enrichment through giving is why the USG Foundation was formed.

## HISTORY

The USG Foundation, which began operation in 1979, builds on over a century of community involvement by USG Corporation and its family of companies. Its focus is on a planned program of charitable giving with specific end goals in mind.

## GOALS

Just as USG impacts the communities in which it operates, these communities impact USG. For both the communities and the Corporation to fulfill their highest potential, business, civic, educational, cultural, health and welfare organizations must work together to solve the pressing problems that concern us all.

## CRITERIA FOR GRANTS

To that end, the USG Foundation provides financial assistance to non-profit organizations seeking solutions to social, health and educational problems, and to those dedicated to the preservation and perpetuation of culture. This assistance promotes a positive, pro-active community environment for our employees, their families and friends, and for the business community at large. Contributions from the USG Foundation become an investment in a higher quality of life for us all.

USG Foundation grants are also an investment in USG people. The USG Foundation gives preference to supporting appropriate (see description above) programs in which USG employees and retirees are active participants. These programs can be of an established, traditional nature or worthwhile innovations. On occasion, the USG Foundation may see the need for a specific program for which no formal proposal was submitted. In cases such as these, the USG Foundation may take the initiative and actively solicit a well-defined grant that addresses a particular situation. The USG Foundation also strongly supports community-based fund campaigns like the United Way, that provide broad-based support to numerous community service organizations responsive to community needs. However, as a rule, organizations which receive united campaign funding will not be considered for additional USG Foundation gifts and grants.

## HOW TO APPLY FOR A GRANT

All grant proposals must be submitted in writing. All proposals should include the following:

A cover letter briefly outlining:

- A statement of the need or problem
- A summary of the background of the need or problem
- Specific reasons why the USG Foundation, Inc. would be interested in the proposal
- The amount of money requested and how it will be used
- A copy of the organization's 501 (c) (3) tax exemption letter from the Internal Revenue Service

We would also request:

- A statement of the program's purpose describing why the organization is involved in the project and a notation indicating any special qualifications the organization may possess for obtaining its stated objectives
- A copy of the organization's 501 (c) (3) tax exemption letter from the Internal Revenue Service
- A copy of the organization's most recent financial statements
- A list of the members of the organization's governing board
- A detailed description of any proposed special project
- The program's measurable goals
- An itemized plan outlining how the organization intends to achieve those goals
- Any additional literature that further defines the organization's goals and achievements such as annual reports, fund raising literature, auditor's report, etc.

The USG Foundation staff reviews all written grant proposals. If the program meets the USG Foundation overall objectives, the proposal will then be presented to the USG Foundation board of directors for further review. Personal interviews with representatives of grant-requesting organizations are normally not required and, in any case would not take place until after the written proposal has been reviewed. All grant proposals should be directed to:

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