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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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2015

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

Name of foundation COPE RON & CAROL FOUNDATION TRUST		A Employer identification number 36-3693227	
Number and street (or P O box number if mail is not delivered to street address) PO BOX 1775		Room/suite	B Telephone number (see instructions) (308) 237-4571
City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code KEARNEY, NE 68848			C If exemption application is pending, check here ☐
G Check all that apply ☐ Initial return ☐ Final return ☐ Address change			D 1. Foreign organizations, check here ☐ 2. Foreign organizations meeting the 85% test, check here and attach computation ☐
H Check type of organization ☒ Section 501(c)(3) exempt private foundation ☐ Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust ☐ Other taxable private foundation			E If private foundation status was terminated under section 507(b)(1)(A), check here ☐
I Fair market value of all assets at end of year (from Part II, col. (c), line 16) \$ 12,821,666		J Accounting method ☒ Cash ☐ Accrual ☐ Other (specify) _____ (Part I, column (d) must be on cash basis.)	F If the foundation is in a 60-month termination under section 507(b)(1)(B), check here ☐

Part I Analysis of Revenue and Expenses <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 books (a)	Net investment income (b)	Adjusted net income (c)	Disbursements for charitable purposes (d) (cash basis only)
Revenue	1 Contributions, gifts, grants, etc , received (attach schedule)				
	2 Check ☒ if the foundation is not required to attach Sch B				
	3 Interest on savings and temporary cash investments	91,401	79,105	91,401	
	4 Dividends and interest from securities	164,168	164,168	164,168	
	5a Gross rents				
	b Net rental income or (loss) _____				
	6a Net gain or (loss) from sale of assets not on line 10	83,370			
	b Gross sales price for all assets on line 6a 776,915				
	7 Capital gain net income (from Part IV, line 2) . . .		83,370		
	8 Net short-term capital gain				
	9 Income modifications				
	10a Gross sales less returns and allowances				
Operating and Administrative Expenses	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	338,939	326,643	255,569	
	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).	2,400			2,400
	c Other professional fees (attach schedule)				
	17 Interest				
	18 Taxes (attach schedule) (see instructions) . . .	3,124	2,153		
	19 Depreciation (attach schedule) and depletion . . .				
	20 Occupancy				
	21 Travel, conferences, and meetings.				
	22 Printing and publications				
	23 Other expenses (attach schedule).	84,077	84,077		
	24 Total operating and administrative expenses.				
	Add lines 13 through 23	89,601	86,230		2,400
	25 Contributions, gifts, grants paid	655,564			655,564
	26 Total expenses and disbursements. Add lines 24 and 25	745,165	86,230		657,964
	27 Subtract line 26 from line 12				
	a Excess of revenue over expenses and disbursements	-406,226			
	b Net investment income (if negative, enter -0-)		240,413		
	c Adjusted net income (if negative, enter -0-) . . .			255,569	

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			
	2	Savings and temporary cash investments	793,734	706,538	706,538
	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)	1,049,882	703,442	719,353
	b	Investments—corporate stock (attach schedule)	1,898,617	1,852,429	5,044,632
	c	Investments—corporate bonds (attach schedule)	1,828,782	1,526,382	1,539,573
	11	Investments—land, buildings, and equipment basis ▶ _____ Less accumulated depreciation (attach schedule) ▶ _____			
	12	Investments—mortgage loans.			
	13	Investments—other (attach schedule)	3,730,367	4,106,365	4,811,570
	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)	9,301,382	8,895,156	12,821,666	
Liabilities	17	Accounts payable and accrued expenses			
	18	Grants payable			
	19	Deferred revenue			
	20	Loans from officers, directors, trustees, and other disqualified persons			
	21	Mortgages and other notes payable (attach schedule).			
	22	Other liabilities (describe ▶ _____)			
	23	Total liabilities(add lines 17 through 22)		0	
Net Assets or Fund Balances	Foundations that follow SFAS 117, check here ▶ ☐ and complete lines 24 through 26 and lines 30 and 31.				
	24	Unrestricted			
	25	Temporarily restricted			
	26	Permanently restricted			
	Foundations that do not follow SFAS 117, check here ▶ ☒ and complete lines 27 through 31.				
	27	Capital stock, trust principal, or current funds	9,301,382	8,895,156	
	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)	9,301,382	8,895,156	
31	Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances(see instructions)	9,301,382	8,895,156		

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	9,301,382
2	Enter amount from Part I, line 27a	2	-406,226
3	Other increases not included in line 2 (itemize) ▶ _____	3	
4	Add lines 1, 2, and 3	4	8,895,156
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	8,895,156

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 P—Purchase (b) D—Donation	Date acquired (c) (mo , day, yr)	Date sold (d) (mo , day, yr)
1a	See Additional Data Table			
b				
c				
d				
e				

(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)
a See Additional Data Table			
b			
c			
d			
e			

Complete only for assets showing gain in column (h) and owned by the foundation on 12/31/69			Gains (Col (h) gain minus col (k), but not less than -0-) or (l) Losses (from col (h))
(i) F M V as of 12/31/69	Adjusted basis (j) as of 12/31/69	Excess of col (i) (k) over col (j), if any	
a See Additional Data Table			
b			
c			
d			
e			

2	Capital gain net income or (net capital loss)	If gain, also enter in Part I, line 7 If (loss), enter -0- in Part I, line 7	2	83,370
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	612,746	13,310,957	0 046033
2013	556,219	12,397,640	0 044865
2012	575,152	11,585,667	0 049643
2011	553,615	11,823,381	0 046824
2010	544,791	11,592,518	0 046995

2	Total of line 1, column (d).	2	0 234360
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 046872
4	Enter the net value of noncharitable-use assets for 2015 from Part X, line 5.	4	13,131,110
5	Multiply line 4 by line 3.	5	615,481
6	Enter 1% of net investment income (1% of Part I, line 27b).	6	2,404
7	Add lines 5 and 6.	7	617,885
8	Enter qualifying distributions from Part XII, line 4.	8	657,964

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 ☐ and enter "N/A" on line 1
Date of ruling or determination letter _____
(attach copy of letter if necessary—see instructions)

b

Domestic foundations that meet the section 4940(e) requirements in Part V, check here ☒ and enter 1% of Part I, line 27b

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-).

3

Add lines 1 and 2.

4

Subtitle A (income) tax (domestic section 4947(a)(1) trusts and taxable foundations only. Others enter -0-).

5

Tax based on investment income. Subtract line 4 from line 3. If zero or less, enter -0-

6

Credits/Payments

a

2015 estimated tax payments and 2014 overpayment credited to 2015

6a

6,040

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.

8

Enter any **penalty** for underpayment of estimated tax. Check here ☐ if Form 2220 is attached.

9

Tax due. If the total of lines 5 and 8 is more than line 7, enter **amount owed**

10

Overpayment. If line 7 is more than the total of lines 5 and 8, enter the **amount overpaid**.

11

Enter the amount of line 10 to be **Credited to 2015 estimated tax** ☒ 3,636 **Refunded** ☒

1	2,404
2	
3	2,404
4	
5	2,404
6	
7	6,040
8	
9	
10	3,636
11	

Part VII-A

Statements Regarding Activities

1a

During the tax year, did the foundation attempt to influence any national, state, or local legislation or did it participate or intervene in any political campaign?

1b

Did it spend more than \$100 during the year (either directly or indirectly) for political purposes (see Instructions for definition)?
If the answer is "Yes" to 1a or 1b, attach a detailed description of the activities and copies of any materials published or distributed by the foundation in connection with the activities.

1c

Did the foundation file **Form 1120-POL** for this year?

2

Enter the amount (if any) of tax on political expenditures (section 4955) imposed during the year:
(1) On the foundation ☒ \$ _____ (2) On foundation managers ☒ \$ _____

3

Enter the reimbursement (if any) paid by the foundation during the year for political expenditure tax imposed on foundation managers ☒ \$ _____

2

Has the foundation engaged in any activities that have not previously been reported to the IRS?
If "Yes," attach a detailed description of the activities.

3

Has the foundation made any changes, not previously reported to the IRS, in its governing instrument, articles of incorporation, or bylaws, or other similar instruments? *If "Yes," attach a conformed copy of the changes*

4a

Did the foundation have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year?

4b

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?
If "Yes," attach the statement required by General Instruction T.

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?

7

Did the foundation have at least \$5,000 in assets at any time during the year? *If "Yes," complete Part II, col. (c), and Part XV.*

8a

Enter the states to which the foundation reports or with which it is registered (see instructions)
☒ _____

8b

If the answer is "Yes" to line 7, has the foundation furnished a copy of Form 990-PF to the Attorney General (or designate) of each state as required by General Instruction G? *If "No," attach explanation.*

9

Is the foundation claiming status as a private operating foundation within the meaning of section 4942(j)(3) or 4942(j)(5) for calendar year 2015 or the taxable year beginning in 2015 (see instructions for Part XIV)?
If "Yes," complete Part XIV

10

Did any persons become substantial contributors during the tax year? *If "Yes," attach a schedule listing their names and addresses.*

1a	Yes	No
1a		No
1b		No
1c		No
2		No
3		No
4a		No
4b		
5		No
6	Yes	
7	Yes	
8b	Yes	
9		No
10		No

Part VII-A

Statements Regarding Activities *(continued)*

11	At any time during the year, did the foundation, directly or indirectly, own a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? If "Yes," attach schedule (see instructions).	11		No
12	Did the foundation make a distribution to a donor advised fund over which the foundation or a disqualified person had advisory privileges? If "Yes," attach statement (see instructions)	12		No
13	Did the foundation comply with the public inspection requirements for its annual returns and exemption application? Website address ▶N/A	13	Yes	
14	The books are in care of ▶RACHELLE BRYANT Located at ▶PO BOX 1746 KEARNEY NE Telephone no ▶(308) 237-5930 ZIP+4 ▶68848			
15	Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts filing Form 990-PF in lieu of Form 1041 —Check here ▶ ☐ and enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the year ▶	15		
16	At any time during calendar year 2015, did the foundation have an interest in or a signature or other authority over a bank, securities, or other financial account in a foreign country? See instructions for exceptions and filing requirements for FinCEN Form 114, Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts (FBAR) If "Yes", enter the name of the foreign country ▶	16	Yes	No

Part VII-B

Statements Regarding Activities for Which Form 4720 May Be Required

File Form 4720 if any item is checked in the "Yes" column, unless an exception applies.			Yes	No
1a	During the year did the foundation (either directly or indirectly)			
	(1) Engage in the sale or exchange, or leasing of property with a disqualified person? ☐ Yes ☒ No			
	(2) Borrow money from, lend money to, or otherwise extend credit to (or accept it from) a disqualified person? ☐ Yes ☒ No			
	(3) Furnish goods, services, or facilities to (or accept them from) a disqualified person? ☐ Yes ☒ No			
	(4) Pay compensation to, or pay or reimburse the expenses of, a disqualified person? ☐ Yes ☒ No			
	(5) Transfer any income or assets to a disqualified person (or make any of either available for the benefit or use of a disqualified person)? ☐ Yes ☒ No			
	(6) Agree to pay money or property to a government official? (Exception. Check "No" if the foundation agreed to make a grant to or to employ the official for a period after termination of government service, if terminating within 90 days). ☐ Yes ☒ No			
b	If any answer is "Yes" to 1a(1)–(6), did any of the acts fail to qualify under the exceptions described in Regulations section 53.4941(d)-3 or in a current notice regarding disaster assistance (see instructions)? ☐ Organizations relying on a current notice regarding disaster assistance check here. ▶ ☐	1b		
c	Did the foundation engage in a prior year in any of the acts described in 1a, other than excepted acts, that were not corrected before the first day of the tax year beginning in 2015?	1c		No
2	Taxes on failure to distribute income (section 4942) (does not apply for years the foundation was a private operating foundation defined in section 4942(j)(3) or 4942(j)(5))			
a	At the end of tax year 2015, did the foundation have any undistributed income (lines 6d and 6e, Part XIII) for tax year(s) beginning before 2015? ☐ 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		
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?(<i>Use Schedule C, Form 4720, to determine if the foundation had excess business holdings in 2015.</i>)	3b		
4a	Did the foundation invest during the year any amount in a manner that would jeopardize its charitable purposes?	4a		No
b	Did the foundation make any investment in a prior year (but after December 31, 1969) that could jeopardize its charitable purpose that had not been removed from jeopardy before the first day of the tax year beginning in 2015?	4b		No

Part VII-B

Statements Regarding Activities for Which Form 4720 May Be Required (Continued)

5a

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

(1) Carry on propaganda, or otherwise attempt to influence legislation (section 4945(e))?

☐ Yes

☒ No

(2) Influence the outcome of any specific public election (see section 4955), or to carry on, directly or indirectly, any voter registration drive?

☐ Yes

☒ No

(3) Provide a grant to an individual for travel, study, or other similar purposes?

☐ Yes

☒ No

(4) Provide a grant to an organization other than a charitable, etc , organization described in section 4945(d)(4)(A)? (see instructions).

☐ Yes

☒ No

(5) Provide for any purpose other than religious, charitable, scientific, literary, or educational purposes, or for the prevention of cruelty to children or animals?

☐ Yes

☒ No

b

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

5b

Organizations relying on a current notice regarding disaster assistance check here.

☐

c

If the answer is "Yes" to question 5a(4), does the foundation claim exemption from the tax because it maintained expenditure responsibility for the grant?

☐ Yes

☐ No

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

6a

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

☐ Yes

☒ No

b

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

6b

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?

7b

Part VIII

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

1

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

(a) Name and address	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
See Additional Data Table				

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	Contributions to employee benefit plans and deferred compensation (d)	Expense account, (e) other allowances
NONE				

Total

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

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

Total number of others receiving over \$50,000 for professional services.	1
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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 KEARNEY PUBLIC SCHOOLS PROVIDES EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS FOR KEARNEY AREA CHILDREN THE GRANTS WILL HELP WITH THE NEW THEATRE AT THE NEW HIGH SCHOOL AND WITH THE SUMMER READING AND MATH PROGRAM	238,276
2 CENTRAL COMMUNITY COLLEGE IS A LOCAL COMMUNITY COLLEGE THAT PROVIDES VARIOUS DEGREE PROGRAMS RANGING FROM TECHNICAL TRAINING TO PROFESSIONAL DEGREES	100,000
3 CROSSROADS CENTER PROVIDES SUPPORT FOR THE HUNGRY AND NEEDY AS THEY WORK TO CHANGE THEIR LIVES	50,000
4 UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA FOUNDATION PROVIDES PROGRAM SUPPORT TO THE UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA AT KEARNEY THE UNIVERSITY HAS VARIOUS DEGREE PROGRAMS THE NEW HEALTH SCIENCES BUILDING IS THE BENEFACTOR OF THIS GRANT	50,000

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

Total. Add lines 1 through 3

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	12,512,358
b	Average of monthly cash balances.	1b	818,718
c	Fair market value of all other assets (see instructions).	1c	0
d	Total (add lines 1a, b, and c).	1d	13,331,076
e	Reduction claimed for blockage or other factors reported on lines 1a and 1c (attach detailed explanation).	1e	
2	Acquisition indebtedness applicable to line 1 assets.	2	
3	Subtract line 2 from line 1d.	3	13,331,076
4	Cash deemed held for charitable activities Enter 1 1/2% of line 3 (for greater amount, see instructions).	4	199,966
5	Net value of noncharitable-use assets.Subtract line 4 from line 3 Enter here and on Part V, line 4	5	13,131,110
6	Minimum investment return.Enter 5% of line 5.	6	656,556

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	656,556
2a	Tax on investment income for 2015 from Part VI, line 5.	2a	2,404
b	Income tax for 2015 (This does not include the tax from Part VI).	2b	
c	Add lines 2a and 2b.	2c	2,404
3	Distributable amount before adjustments Subtract line 2c from line 1.	3	654,152
4	Recoveries of amounts treated as qualifying distributions.	4	
5	Add lines 3 and 4.	5	654,152
6	Deduction from distributable amount (see instructions).	6	
7	Distributable amountas adjusted Subtract line 6 from line 5 Enter here and on Part XIII, line 1.	7	654,152

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	657,964
b	Program-related investments—total from Part IX-B.	1b	
2	Amounts paid to acquire assets used (or held for use) directly in carrying out charitable, etc , purposes.	2	
3	Amounts set aside for specific charitable projects that satisfy the		
a	Suitability test (prior IRS approval required).	3a	
b	Cash distribution test (attach the required schedule).	3b	
4	Qualifying distributions.Add lines 1a through 3b Enter here and on Part V, line 8, and Part XIII, line 4	4	657,964
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	2,404
6	Adjusted qualifying distributions.Subtract line 5 from line 4.	6	655,560

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				654,152
2 Undistributed income, if any, as of the end of 2015				
a Enter amount for 2014 only.			655,564	
b Total for prior years 20____, 20____, 20____				
3 Excess distributions carryover, if any, to 2015				
a From 2010.				
b From 2011.				
c From 2012.				
d From 2013.				
e From 2014.				
f Total of lines 3a through e.				
4 Qualifying distributions for 2015 from Part XII, line 4 ▶ \$ 657,964				
a Applied to 2014, but not more than line 2a			655,564	
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.				2,400
e Remaining amount distributed out of corpus				
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				
b Prior years' undistributed income Subtract line 4b from line 2b.				
c Enter the amount of prior years' undistributed income for which a notice of deficiency has been issued, or on which the section 4942(a) tax has been previously assessed.				
d Subtract line 6c from line 6b Taxable amount—see instructions				
e Undistributed income for 2014 Subtract line 4a from line 2a Taxable amount—see instructions				
f Undistributed income for 2016 Subtract lines 4d and 5 from line 1 This amount must be distributed in 2015.				651,752
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.				
10 Analysis of line 9				
a Excess from 2011. . . .				
b Excess from 2012. . . .				
c Excess from 2013. . . .				
d Excess from 2014. . . .				
e Excess from 2015. . . .				

Part XIV

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)

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

NONE

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

WILLIAM OLDFATHER
PO BOX 1775
22033 CENTRAL AVE
KEARNEY, NE 68848
(308) 237-4571
BILL@OLDFATHERFINANCIAL.COM

b The form in which applications should be submitted and information and materials they should include
APPLICATION FORMS AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST >> PROVIDE FULL DETAILS ON PROPOSED PROJECT OR NEED

c Any submission deadlines
NONE

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

EXEMPT ORGANIZATION 50(C)(3), EXCLUSIVELY FOR CHARITABLE, SCIENTIFIC, RELIGIOUS, LITERARY, OR EDUCATIONAL PURPOSES

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 Paid during the year See Additional Data Table				
Total			3a	655,564
b Approved for future payment See Additional Data Table				
Total			3b	1,245,079

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			14	91,401		
4 Dividends and interest from securities.			14	164,168		
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			18	83,370		
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).				338,939		
13 Total. Add line 12, columns (b), (d), and (e).						338,939

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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?

(1) Cash.

(2) Other assets.

(1) Sales of assets to a noncharitable exempt organization.

(2) Purchases of assets from a noncharitable exempt organization.

(3) Rental of facilities, equipment, or other assets.

(4) Reimbursement arrangements.

(5) Loans or loan guarantees.

(6) Performance of services or membership or fundraising solicitations.

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

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

(a) Name of organization	(b) Type of organization	(c) Description of relationship

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

***** 2016-04-29 *****

 Signature of officer or trustee Date Title
 May the IRS discuss this return with the preparer shown below (see instr.)? ☒ Yes ☐ No

Print/Type preparer's name RACHELLE BRYANT CPA	Preparer's Signature	Date 2016-05-02	Check if self-employed ☒	PTIN P00036204
Firm's name ☒ CONTRYMAN ASSOCIATES PC CPA'S			Firm's EIN ☒ 47-0623143	
Firm's address ☒ PO BOX 1746 KEARNEY, NE 688481746			Phone no (308) 237-5930	

Form 990PF Part IV - Capital Gains and Losses for Tax on Investment Income - Columns a - d

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)	(b) How acquired P—Purchase D—Donation	(c) Date acquired (mo , day, yr)	(d) Date sold (mo , day, yr)
IL ELE AGY PWR	P	2010-12-09	2015-02-01
FANNIE MAE	P	2006-08-23	2015-04-15
MORGAN STANLEY	P	2008-04-23	2015-04-28
UNITED TECHNOLOGIES	P	2009-01-05	2015-05-01
GOOGLE INC CL C	P	2012-05-16	2015-05-04
ROYAL BANK SCOT	P	2013-08-15	2015-09-21
NATIONAL OIL WELL	P	2013-07-15	2015-11-24

Form 990PF Part IV - Capital Gains and Losses for Tax on Investment Income - Columns e - h

(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)
100,000		99,176	824
250,000		247,264	2,736
100,000		99,876	124
100,000		102,732	-2,732
115		64	51
100,000		99,793	207
26,109		44,640	-18,531

Form 990PF Part IV - Capital Gains and Losses for Tax on Investment Income - Columns i - l

Complete only for assets showing gain in column (h) and owned by the foundation on 12/31/69			(l) Gains (Col (h) gain minus col (k), but not less than -0-) or Losses (from col (h))
(i) F M V as of 12/31/69	(j) Adjusted basis as of 12/31/69	(k) Excess of col (i) over col (j), if any	
			824
			2,736
			124
			-2,732
			51
			207
			-18,531

Form 990PF Part VIII Line 1 - List all officers, directors, trustees, foundation managers and their compensation

(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
ALAN OLDFATHER	PRESIDENT 2 00	0	0	0
PO BOX 1995 KEARNEY,NE 68848				
WILLIAM OLDFATHER	SECRETARY/TR 2 00	0	0	0
PO BOX 1775 KEARNEY,NE 68848				
SHERRY MORROW	VICE PRESIDE 2 00	0	0	0
713 W 29TH ST KEARNEY,NE 68845				
RACHELLE BRYANT	TRUSTEE 2 00	0	0	0
315 W 60TH SUITE 500 KEARNEY,NE 68845				
LARRY JEPSEN	TRUSTEE 2 00	0	0	0
21 W 21ST ST KEARNEY,NE 68845				

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 Paid during the year				
CLASSIC CAR COLLECTION 3600 US 30 KEARNEY,NE 68847	N/A	PUBLIC	EDUCATIONAL DISPLAYS AND LIGHTING	20,000
CROSSROADS CENTER 1404 E 39TH ST KEARNEY,NE 68847	N/A	PUBLIC	PROGRAM SUPPORT	50,000
GREAT PLATTE RIVER ROAD ARCHWAY 3060 E 1ST ST S KEARNEY,NE 68847	N/A	PUBLIC	ARCHWAY INFRASTRUCTURE	12,778
KEARNEY PUBLIC SCHOOLS FOUNDATION 310 W 24TH ST KEARNEY,NE 68845	N/A	PUBLIC	BAND INSTRUMENTS	25,000
BUFFALO COUNTY COMMUNITY HEALTH PAR PO BOX 1466 KEARNEY,NE 68848	N/A	PUBLIC	COMMUNITY NEEDS ASSESSMENT	10,000
BUFFALO COUNTY HERO FLIGHT PO BOX 1988 KEARNEY,NE 68848	N/A	PUBLIC	PROGRAM SUPPORT	15,000
CENTRAL COMMUNITY COLLEGE 3519 2ND AVE KEARNEY,NE 68847	N/A	PUBLIC	NEW KEARNEY CAMPUS	100,000
DISABLED AMERICAN VETERANS 302 S ELM AVE HASTINGS,NE 68901	N/A	PUBLIC	TRANSPORT VAN	9,000
DOUBLE R HORSE RESCUE PO BOX 62 RIVERDALE,NE 68870	N/A	PUBLIC	NEW BARN	10,000
GOOD SAMARITAN HOSPITAL FOUNDATION 31ST AND CENTRAL KEARNEY,NE 68847	N/A	PUBLIC	HEALTH CARE WORKER SCHOLARSHIPS	25,000
HELP CARE CLINIC 3015 AVE A KEARNEY,NE 68847	N/A	PUBLIC	PROGRAM SUPPORT	4,510
KEARNEY AREA CHILDREN'S MUSEUM 5827 4TH AVE KEARNEY,NE 68845	N/A	PUBLIC	MUSIC/DANCE/THEATRE AREA	5,000
KEARNEY AREA COMMUNITY FOUNDATION 412 W 48TH ST KEARNEY,NE 68845	N/A	PUBLIC	COPE BOOK PROJECT	35,000
KEARNEY AREA HABITAT FOR HUMANITY 1815 1ST AVENUE KEARNEY,NE 68847	N/A	PUBLIC	PROGRAM SUPPORT	25,000
KEARNEY PUBLIC SCHOOLS FOUNDATION 310 W 24TH ST KEARNEY,NE 68845	N/A	PUBLIC	HIGH SCHOOL THEATRE	202,661
Total				655,564

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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>				
KEARNEY PUBLIC SCHOOLS FOUNDATION 310 W 24TH ST KEARNEY,NE 68845	N/A	PUBLIC	SUMMER READING PRGRAM	7,560
KEARNEY PUBLIC SCHOOLS FOUNDATION 310 W 24TH ST KEARNEY,NE 68845	N/A	PUBLIC	CDS FOR BAND CONCERTS	3,055
NEBRASKA HUMANITIES COUNCIL 215 CENTENNIAL MALL S 330 LINCOLN,NE 68508	N/A	PUBLIC	CHAUTAUQUA	6,000
ROYAL FAMILY KIDS 3000 W MACARTHUR BLVD SANTA ANA,CA 92704	N/A	PUBLIC	PROGRAM SUPPORT	5,000
ST JAMES CATHOLIC CHURCH 3801 AVENUE A KEARNEY,NE 68847	N/A	CHURCH	CHURCH RENOVATION	25,000
UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA FOUNDATION 905 W 25TH ST KEARNEY,NE 68845	N/A	PUBLIC	UNK - LOCKERS FOR HEALTH & SPORTS	10,000
UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA FOUNDATION 905 W 25TH ST KEARNEY,NE 68845	N/A	PUBLIC	HEALTH SCIENCE ED BUILDING	50,000
Total  3a				655,564

TY 2015 Accounting Fees Schedule

Name: COPE RON & CAROL FOUNDATION TRUST

EIN: 36-3693227

Category	Amount	Net Investment Income	Adjusted Net Income	Disbursements for Charitable Purposes
ACCOUNTING FEES	2,400			2,400

TY 2015 Investments Corporate Bonds Schedule

Name: COPE RON & CAROL FOUNDATION TRUST

EIN: 36-3693227

Name of Bond	End of Year Book Value	End of Year Fair Market Value
AMERICAN EXPRESS 1.55% 5/18	98,725	99,084
BOEING CO 6.% BOND	98,466	112,145
CATERPILLAR FINL SV 1% 3/17	99,999	99,685
FIFTH THIRD BANCORP 3.625% BOND	74,912	75,116
GENERAL ELECTRIC 1.6% 11/17	100,706	100,507
JOHN DEERE CAPITAL 2.8% BOND	106,831	102,233
JP MORGAN CHASE 2.0% BOND	102,143	100,482
MORGAN STANLEY MED TERM NOTE 6.0%		
MORGAN STANLEY 1.75% 2/16	86,278	85,098
PHILIP MORRIS 1.125% 8/17	99,586	99,872
ROYAL BK OF SCOTLAND 3.95% NOTE		
SANOFI-AVENTIS 2.625% NOTE	105,298	100,416
STATOIL ASA 1.2% NOTE	100,067	98,946
TIME WARNER 4.75% NOTE	98,943	107,564
UNITED TECHNOLOGIES 4.875% NOTE		
UNITEDHEALTH GROUP 3.875% NOTE	99,665	105,465
WAL-MART STORES 1.95% 12/18	100,611	101,462
WELLS FARGO BANK 2.1% 5/17	154,152	151,498

TY 2015 Investments Corporate Stock Schedule

Name: COPE RON & CAROL FOUNDATION TRUST
EIN: 36-3693227

Name of Stock	End of Year Book Value	End of Year Fair Market Value
3M CO - 650SH	56,111	97,916
AFFILIATED MGS GROUP - 225SH	13,486	35,946
AFLAC INC - 1100SH	50,884	65,890
ANHEUSER BUSCH - 540SH	31,388	67,500
APACHE CORP - 1190SH	112,928	52,919
APPLE INC - 1680 SH	54,754	176,837
BERKSHIRE HATHAWAY - 800SH	24,314	1,582,400
BOEING CO - 500SH	34,578	72,295
BRISTOL MEYERS SQUIBB - 1200SH	55,725	82,548
BUCKLE INC - 2029 SH	95,232	62,453
CAPITAL ONE FIN CORP - 725SH	41,775	52,331
CELANESE CORP - 1150SH	49,091	77,430
CHEVRON CORP - 400SH	31,551	35,984
CME GROUP INC - 430SH	23,444	38,958
COMCAST CORP - 2250SH	45,895	126,968
CVS/CAREMARK CORP - 1260SH	22,718	123,190
DIAGEO PLC - 350SH	21,933	38,175
EATON CORP - 757SH	37,948	39,394
GILEAD SCIENCES - 1490SH	51,070	150,773
ALPHABET INC CL A - 75SH	22,351	58,351
ALPHABET INC CL C - 75SH	22,215	56,916
JOHNSON CONTROLS - 1470SH	52,398	58,050
JPMORGAN CHASE & CO - 1335SH	28,886	88,150
MCKESSON CORP - 900SH	92,703	177,507
MICROSOFT CORP - 2600SH	73,699	144,248
MONSTER BEVERAGE - 1120SH	55,401	166,835
NATIONAL OILWELL - 675SH		
NESTLE S.A. - 700SH	37,492	52,094
ORACLE CORP - 1500SH	34,155	54,795
SCHLUMBERGER LTD - 970SH	66,207	67,658

Name of Stock	End of Year Book Value	End of Year Fair Market Value
TARGET CORP - 900SH	42,264	65,349
THERMO FISHER SCIENTIFIC - 1250SH	56,935	177,313
TJX COS - 1830SH	63,631	129,765
TOTAL S.A. - 1650SH	82,659	74,168
UNION PACIFIC CORP - 2000SH	28,674	156,400
UNITED PARCEL SERVICE - 990SH	68,943	95,268
UNITEDHEALTH GROUP INC - 1555SH	75,593	182,930
US BANCORP = 1500SH	40,888	64,005
WALT DISNEY - 1855SH	52,510	194,923

TY 2015 Investments Government Obligations Schedule

Name: COPE RON & CAROL FOUNDATION TRUST

EIN: 36-3693227

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

503,442

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

514,044

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

200,000

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

205,309

TY 2015 Investments - Other Schedule**Name:** COPE RON & CAROL FOUNDATION TRUST**EIN:** 36-3693227

Category / Item	Listed at Cost or FMV	Book Value	End of Year Fair Market Value
BANK HAPOALIM CD	AT COST	235,000	235,216
DODGE & COX INCOME FUND	AT COST	312,214	300,828
DODGE & COX INT'L STOCK FUND	AT COST	209,977	288,355
FIRST EAGLE OVERSEAS FUND	AT COST	201,025	249,863
ISHARES MSCI EAFE	AT COST	191,728	240,752
ISHARES MSCI EAFE GROWTH	AT COST	251,658	356,513
ISHARES RUSSELL 2000	AT COST	256,011	344,054
JPMORGAN MID CAP VALUE FD	AT COST	451,275	684,206
OPPENHEIMER DEVELOPING MKT	AT COST	375,886	331,163
T ROWE PRICE SMALL CAP	AT COST	194,313	208,960
TEMPLETON FRONTIER MKT	AT COST	105,624	65,635
TEMPLETON GLOBAL BD FD	AT COST	170,785	168,256
THORNBURG INT'L VALUE FUND	AT COST	261,522	289,584
TROWE PRICE S/T BD FD	AT COST	64,726	62,767
VANGUARD REIT VIPER	AT COST	393,927	534,191
WELLS FARGO ADV CORE BD FD	AT COST	430,694	451,227

TY 2015 Other Expenses Schedule**Name:** COPE RON & CAROL FOUNDATION TRUST**EIN:** 36-3693227

Description	Revenue and Expenses per Books	Net Investment Income	Adjusted Net Income	Disbursements for Charitable Purposes
EXPENSES				
INVESTMENT EXPENSES	11,342	11,342		
INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT FEES	72,481	72,481		
BUSINESS EXPENSES	254	254		

TY 2015 Taxes Schedule**Name:** COPE RON & CAROL FOUNDATION TRUST**EIN:** 36-3693227

Category	Amount	Net Investment Income	Adjusted Net Income	Disbursements for Charitable Purposes
FOREIGN TAXES WITHHELD	2,153	2,153		
EXCISE TAXES FROM PRIOR YEAR				
EXCISE TAX ESTIMATES FOR CURRENT	971			