

Form 990-EZ

Short Form

Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

OMB No 1545-1150

2015

Open to Public Inspection

Under section 501(c), 527, or 4947(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code (except private foundations)

Do not enter social security numbers on this form as it may be made public. Information about Form 990-EZ and its instructions is at www.irs.gov/form990.

Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service

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

- B Check if applicable: Address change, Name change, Initial return, Final return/terminated, Amended return, Application pending

C Name of organization: ALLAMAKEE COOPERATIVE DAIRY HERD IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION INC. Address: PO BOX 108, WAUKON, IA 52172

D Employer identification number: 42-0686897. Telephone number: (563) 568-3746. F Group Exemption Number: 3556

G Accounting Method: Cash

H Check if the organization is not required to attach Schedule B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF)

I Website: N/A

J Tax-exempt status: 501(c)(5)

K Form of organization: Association

L Add lines 5b, 6c, and 7b to line 9 to determine gross receipts. If gross receipts are \$200,000 or more, or if total assets (Part II, column (B) below) are \$500,000 or more, file Form 990 instead of Form 990-EZ. Total: \$172,400

Part I Revenue, Expenses, and Changes in Net Assets or Fund Balances

Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part I

Table with 21 rows and 3 columns. Rows include Revenue (1-9), Expenses (10-17), and Net Assets (18-21). Values include 172,363, 37, 172,400, 71,822, 5,181, 29, 96,154, 173,186, -786, 14,489, 13,703.

**Part II Balance Sheets** (see the instructions for Part II)

Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part II

	(A) Beginning of year		(B) End of year
<b>22</b> Cash, savings, and investments . . . . .	15,607	<b>22</b>	14,706
<b>23</b> Land and buildings . . . . .		<b>23</b>	
<b>24</b> Other assets (describe in Schedule O) . . . . .	218	<b>24</b>	131
<b>25 Total assets</b> . . . . .	15,825	<b>25</b>	14,837
<b>26 Total liabilities</b> (describe in Schedule O) . . . . .	1,336	<b>26</b>	1,134
<b>27 Net assets or fund balances</b> (line 27 of column (B) <b>must</b> agree with line 21) . . . . .	14,489	<b>27</b>	13,703

**Part III Statement of Program Service Accomplishments** (see the instructions for Part III)

Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part III

**Expenses**  
(Required for section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations, optional for others)

What is the organization's primary exempt purpose?

TAKING & TESTING OF MILK SAMPLES FOR QUALITY & QUANTITY

Describe the organization's program service accomplishments for each of its three largest program services, as measured by expenses. In a clear and concise manner, describe the services provided, the number of persons benefited, and other relevant information for each program title

<b>28</b> THE PURPOSE OF THIS ASSOCIATION IS FOR THE TAKING & TESTING OF MILK SAMPLES (TESTING IS DONE IN A STATE LAB) THE SAMPLES ARE FROM INDIVIDUAL COWS & HERDS FOR OUR 52 CLIENTS FOR BETTER HERD MANAGEMENT (Grants \$ ) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here <input type="checkbox"/>	<b>28a</b>
<b>29</b> (Grants \$ ) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here <input type="checkbox"/>	<b>29a</b>
<b>30</b> (Grants \$ ) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here <input type="checkbox"/>	<b>30a</b>
<b>31</b> Other program services (describe in Schedule O) (Grants \$ ) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here <input type="checkbox"/>	<b>31a</b>
<b>32 Total program service expenses</b> (add lines 28a through 31a) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<b>32</b>

**Part IV List of Officers, Directors, Trustees, and Key Employees** (list each one even if not compensated — see the instructions for Part IV)

Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part IV

(a) Name and title	(b) Average hours per week devoted to position	(c) Reportable compensation (Forms W-2/1099-MISC) (if not paid, enter -0-)	(d) Health benefits, contributions to employee benefit plans, and deferred compensation	(e) Estimated amount of other compensation
MICHELLE BYRNES SECRETARY/TR	8 00	1,508		
BRAD KERNDT PRESIDENT	2 00	0		
DARRELL TROENDLE DIRECTOR	1 00	0		
JOHN PALMER DIRECTOR	1 00	0		
BRIAN STREEPER DIRECTOR	1 00	0		
IAN MCCORMICK DIRECTOR	1 00	0		

Part V Other Information (Note the Schedule A and personal benefit contract statement requirements in the

instructions for Part V ) Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part V . . . . .

		Yes	No
<b>33</b>	Did the organization engage in any significant activity not previously reported to the IRS? If "Yes," provide a detailed description of each activity in Schedule O . . . . .		No
<b>34</b>	Were any significant changes made to the organizing or governing documents? If "Yes," attach a conformed copy of the amended documents if they reflect a change to the organization's name. Otherwise, explain the change on Schedule O (see instructions) . . . . .		No
<b>35a</b>	Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year from business activities (such as those reported on lines 2, 6a, and 7a, among others)? . . . . .		No
<b>b</b>	If "Yes," to line 35a, has the organization filed a <b>Form 990-T</b> for the year? If "No," provide an explanation in Schedule O . . . . .		
<b>c</b>	Was the organization a section 501(c)(4), 501(c)(5), or 501(c)(6) organization subject to section 6033(e) notice, reporting, and proxy tax requirements during the year? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part III . . . . .		No
<b>36</b>	Did the organization undergo a liquidation, dissolution, termination, or significant disposition of net assets during the year? If "Yes," complete applicable parts of Schedule N . . . . .		No
<b>37a</b>	Enter amount of political expenditures, direct or indirect, as described in the instructions <input type="checkbox"/> <b>37a</b>		
<b>b</b>	Did the organization file <b>Form 1120-POL</b> for this year? . . . . .		No
<b>38a</b>	Did the organization borrow from, or make any loans to, any officer, director, trustee, or key employee or were any such loans made in a prior year and still outstanding at the end of the tax year covered by this return? . . . . .		No
<b>b</b>	If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part II and enter the total amount involved . . . . . <b>38b</b>		
<b>39</b>	Section 501(c)(7) organizations Enter . . . . .		
<b>a</b>	Initiation fees and capital contributions included on line 9 . . . . . <b>39a</b>		
<b>b</b>	Gross receipts, included on line 9, for public use of club facilities . . . . . <b>39b</b>		
<b>40a</b>	Section 501(c)(3) organizations Enter amount of tax imposed on the organization during the year under section 4911 <input type="checkbox"/> , section 4912 <input type="checkbox"/> , section 4955 <input type="checkbox"/> . . . . .		
<b>b</b>	Section 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations Did the organization engage in any section 4958 excess benefit transaction during the year, or did it engage in an excess benefit transaction in a prior year that has not been reported on any of its prior Forms 990 or 990-EZ? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I . . . . .		
<b>c</b>	Section 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations Enter amount of tax imposed on organization managers or disqualified persons during the year under sections 4912, 4955, and 4958 <input type="checkbox"/> . . . . .		
<b>d</b>	Section 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations Enter amount of tax on line 40c reimbursed by the organization . . . . . <input type="checkbox"/> . . . . .		
<b>e</b>	All organizations At any time during the tax year, was the organization a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction? If "Yes," complete Form 8886-T . . . . .		No
<b>41</b>	List the states with which a copy of this return is filed <input type="checkbox"/> . . . . .		
<b>42a</b>	The organization's books are in care of <input type="checkbox"/> MICHELLE BYRNES Telephone no <input type="checkbox"/> (563) 568-3746 Located at <input type="checkbox"/> 460 ORCHID DR DORCHESTER, IA ZIP + 4 <input type="checkbox"/> 52140 . . . . .		
<b>b</b>	At any time during the calendar year, did the organization have an interest in or a signature or other authority over a financial account in a foreign country (such as a bank account, securities account, or other financial account)? . . . . .	Yes	No
	If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country <input type="checkbox"/> . . . . .		
	See the instructions for exceptions and filing requirements for <b>FinCEN Form 114, Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts (FBAR)</b> . . . . .		
<b>c</b>	At any time during the calendar year, did the organization maintain an office outside the U S ? . . . . .		No
	If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country <input type="checkbox"/> . . . . .		
<b>43</b>	Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts filing Form 990-EZ in lieu of <b>Form 1041</b> - Check here <input type="checkbox"/> and enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the tax year . . . . . <b>43</b>		
<b>44a</b>	Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds during the year? If "Yes," Form 990 must be completed instead of Form 990-EZ . . . . .		No
<b>b</b>	Did the organization operate one or more hospital facilities during the year? If "Yes," Form 990 must be completed instead of Form 990-EZ . . . . .		No
<b>c</b>	Did the organization receive any payments for indoor tanning services during the year? . . . . .		No
<b>d</b>	If "Yes," to line 44c, has the organization filed a Form 720 to report these payments? If "No," provide an explanation in Schedule O . . . . .		
<b>45a</b>	Did the organization have a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? . . . . .		No
<b>45b</b>	Did the organization receive any payment from or engage in any transaction with a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? If "Yes," Form 990 and Schedule R may need to be completed instead of Form 990-EZ (see instructions) . . . . .		No

Yes No

46 Did the organization engage, directly or indirectly, in political campaign activities on behalf of or in opposition to candidates for public office? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part I

Part VI Section 501(c)(3) organizations only

All section 501(c)(3) organizations must answer questions 47-49b and 52, and complete the tables for lines 50 and 51

Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part VI

Yes No

47 Did the organization engage in lobbying activities or have a section 501(h) election in effect during the tax year? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part II

48 Is the organization a school as described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? If "Yes," complete Schedule E

49a Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization?

b If "Yes," was the related organization a section 527 organization?

50 Complete this table for the organization's five highest compensated employees (other than officers, directors, trustees and key employees) who each received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization. If there is none, enter "None"

Table with 5 columns: (a) Name and title of each employee, (b) Average hours per week devoted to position, (c) Reportable compensation (Forms W-2/1099-MISC), (d) Health benefits, contributions to employee benefit plans, and deferred compensation, (e) Estimated amount of other compensation

f Total number of other employees paid over \$100,000

51 Complete this table for the organization's five highest compensated independent contractors who each received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization. If there is none, enter "None"

Table with 3 columns: (a) Name and business address of each independent contractor, (b) Type of service, (c) Compensation

d Total number of other independent contractors each receiving over \$100,000.

52 Did the organization complete Schedule A? NOTE. All Section 501(c)(3) organizations must attach a completed Schedule A

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 officer) is based on all information of which preparer has any knowledge.

Sign Here: Signature of officer (\*\*\*\*\*), Date (2016-05-15), Type or print name and title (BRAD KERNDT, PRESIDENT)

Paid Preparer Use Only: Preparer's name (NEIL W SCHRAEDER), Date (2016-05-09), Firm's name (HACKER NELSON & CO PC), Firm's address (19 1ST AVE NW, WAUKON, IA 52172)

May the IRS discuss this return with the preparer shown above? See instructions

**SCHEDULE O**  
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Department of the Treasury  
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**Supplemental Information to Form 990 or 990-EZ**

Complete to provide information for responses to specific questions on  
Form 990 or 990-EZ or to provide any additional information.

▶ Attach to Form 990 or 990-EZ.

▶ Information about Schedule O (Form 990 or 990-EZ) and its instructions is at  
[www.irs.gov/form990](http://www.irs.gov/form990).

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Name of the organization  
ALLAMAKEE COOPERATIVE DAIRY HERD  
IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION INC

Employer identification number

42-0686897

**990 Schedule O, Supplemental Information**

Return Reference	Explanation
FORM 990-EZ, PART I, LINE 16	EXPENSES ADVERTISING AND PROMOTION 755 OFFICE SUPPLIES 738 AUTO MILEAGE REIMBURSEMENT 15,144 INSURANCE 1,177 DAIRY LAB CHARGES 77,376 SUPPLIES 506 REPAIRS 70 OTHER/MISC EXPENSE 72 BOARD MEETING EXP 229 NON-INVESTMENT DEPRECIATION 87 TOTAL 96,154
FORM 990-EZ, PART II, LINE 24	PRINTER 273 273 LESS ACCUMULATED DEPRECIATION 55 142 TOTAL 218 131
FORM 990-EZ, PART II, LINE 26	ACCOUNTS PAYABLE AND ACCRUED EXPENSES 1,336 1,134