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Return of Private Foundation

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

OMB No 1545-0052

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Form 990-PF

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

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For calendar year 2015 or tax year beginning

, and ending

Name of foundation MT. CUBA CENTER, INC.		A Employer identification number 51-6001265
Number and street (or P O box number if mail is not delivered to street address) 3120 BARLEY MILL ROAD	Room/suite	B Telephone number 302-239-8802
City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code HOCKESSIN, DE 19707		C If exemption application is pending, check here ☐
G Check all that apply: ☐ Initial return ☐ Final return ☐ Address change ☐ Initial return of a former public charity ☐ Amended return ☐ Name 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) \$ 293,389,200.	J Accounting method: ☐ Cash ☒ Accrual ☐ Other (specify) _____	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 (The total of amounts in columns (b), (c), and (d) may not necessarily equal the amounts in column (a))		(a) Revenue and expenses per books	(b) Net investment income	(c) Adjusted net income	(d) Disbursements for charitable purposes (cash basis only)
1 Contributions, gifts, grants, etc., received		374.		N/A.	
2 Check ☒ If the foundation is not required to attach Sch. B					
3 Interest on savings and temporary cash investments		746,557.	746,557.		STATEMENT 1
4 Dividends and interest from securities		2,687,425.	2,687,425.		STATEMENT 2
5a Gross rents		1,245.	1,245.		STATEMENT 3
b Net rental income or (loss)	1,245.				
6a Net gain or (loss) from sale of assets not on line 10		10,732,853.			
b Gross sales price for all assets on line 6a	32,904,592.				
7 Capital gain net income (from Part IV, line 2)			10,732,853.		
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)					
11 Other income		-1,766,356.	-1,917,909.		STATEMENT 4
12 Total. Add lines 1 through 11		12,402,098.	12,250,171.		
13 Compensation of officers, directors, trustees, etc		316,095.	0.		316,095.
14 Other employee salaries and wages		3,002,235.	0.		3,002,235.
15 Pension plans, employee benefits		562,337.	0.		562,337.
16a Legal fees STMT 5		5,046.	0.		5,046.
b Accounting fees STMT 6		25,923.	0.		25,923.
c Other professional fees STMT 7		1,207,759.	1,202,321.		5,438.
17 Interest					
18 Taxes STMT 8		368,747.	0.		258,268.
19 Depreciation and depletion		983,064.	0.		
20 Occupancy					
21 Travel, conferences, and meetings		59,258.	0.		59,258.
22 Printing and publications					
23 Other expenses STMT 9		2,603,499.	0.		2,603,499.
24 Total operating and administrative expenses. Add lines 13 through 23		9,133,963.	1,202,321.		6,838,099.
25 Contributions, gifts, grants paid		10,025,843.			8,340,843.
26 Total expenses and disbursements. Add lines 24 and 25		19,159,806.	1,202,321.		15,178,942.
27 Subtract line 26 from line 12:					
a Excess of revenue over expenses and disbursements		-6,757,708.			
b Net investment income (if negative, enter -0-)			11,047,850.		
c Adjusted net income (if negative, enter -0-)				N/A	

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Part II Balance Sheets Attached schedules and amounts in the description column should be for end-of-year amounts only

		Beginning of year	End of year	
		(a) Book Value	(b) Book Value	(c) Fair Market Value
Assets	1 Cash - non-interest-bearing	924,909.	3,304,587.	3,304,587.
	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			
	7 Other notes and loans receivable ▶			
	Less: allowance for doubtful accounts ▶			
	8 Inventories for sale or use			
	9 Prepaid expenses and deferred charges	73,232.	288,482.	288,482.
	10a Investments - U.S. and state government obligations			
	b Investments - corporate stock			
	c Investments - corporate bonds			
	11 Investments - land, buildings, and equipment: basis ▶			
Liabilities	Less: accumulated depreciation ▶			
	12 Investments - mortgage loans			
	13 Investments - other	284,050,324.	262,410,156.	262,410,156.
	14 Land, buildings, and equipment: basis ▶	39,107,962.		
	Less: accumulated depreciation ▶	11,721,987.		
	15 Other assets (describe ▶)			
	16 Total assets (to be completed by all filers - see the instructions. Also, see page 1, item I)	313,163,740.	293,389,200.	293,389,200.
	17 Accounts payable and accrued expenses	112,635.	76,745.	
	18 Grants payable	1,343,892.	2,650,054.	
	19 Deferred revenue			
Net Assets or Fund Balances	20 Loans from officers, directors, trustees, and other disqualified persons			
	21 Mortgages and other notes payable			
	22 Other liabilities (describe ▶)			
	23 Total liabilities (add lines 17 through 22)	1,456,527.	2,726,799.	
	Foundations that follow SFAS 117, check here ▶ ☒ and complete lines 24 through 26 and lines 30 and 31.			
	24 Unrestricted	311,707,213.	290,662,401.	
	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			
	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	311,707,213.	290,662,401.	
	31 Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances	313,163,740.	293,389,200.	

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	311,707,213.
2 Enter amount from Part I, line 27a	2	-6,757,708.
3 Other increases not included in line 2 (itemize) ▶	3	0.
4 Add lines 1, 2, and 3	4	304,949,505.
5 Decreases not included in line 2 (itemize) ▶ UNREALIZED LOSS ON INVESTMENTS	5	14,287,104.
6 Total net assets or fund balances at end of year (line 4 minus line 5) - Part II, column (b), line 30	6	290,662,401.

Part IV Capital Gains and Losses for Tax on Investment Income

(a) List and describe the kind(s) of property sold (e.g., real estate, 2-story brick warehouse; or common stock, 200 shs. MLC Co.)	(b) How acquired P - Purchase D - Donation	(c) Date acquired (mo., day, yr.)	(d) Date sold (mo., day, yr.)
1a INVESTMENT REALIZED GAINS	P	VARIOUS	VARIOUS
b			
c			
d			
e			

(e) Gross sales price	(f) Depreciation allowed (or allowable)	(g) Cost or other basis plus expense of sale	(h) Gain or (loss) (e) plus (f) minus (g)
a 32,904,592.		22,171,739.	10,732,853.
b			
c			
d			
e			

(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	(l) Gains (Col. (h) gain minus col. (k), but not less than -0-) or Losses (from col. (h))
a			10,732,853.
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	10,732,853.
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). If (loss), enter -0- in Part I, line 8		3	N/A

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

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

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

Was the foundation liable for the section 4942 tax on the distributable amount of any year in the base period?

☐ Yes ☒ No

If "Yes," the foundation does not qualify under section 4940(e). Do not complete this part.

1 Enter the appropriate amount in each column for each year; see the instructions before making any entries.

(a) Base period years Calendar year (or tax year beginning in)	(b) Adjusted qualifying distributions	(c) Net value of noncharitable-use assets	(d) Distribution ratio (col. (b) divided by col. (c))
2014	15,877,051.	294,013,833.	.054001
2013	15,374,464.	276,683,930.	.055567
2012	16,541,821.	268,048,068.	.061712
2011	12,374,082.	276,960,494.	.044678
2010	11,309,087.	250,540,186.	.045139

2 Total of line 1, column (d)	2	.261097
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	.052219
4 Enter the net value of noncharitable-use assets for 2015 from Part X, line 5	4	266,503,631.
5 Multiply line 4 by line 3	5	13,916,553.
6 Enter 1% of net investment income (1% of Part I, line 27b)	6	110,479.
7 Add lines 5 and 6	7	14,027,032.
8 Enter qualifying distributions from Part XII, line 4	8	15,432,706.

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 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		1	110,479.
c All other domestic foundations enter 2% of line 27b. Exempt foreign organizations enter 4% of Part I, line 12, col. (b).			
2 Tax under section 511 (domestic section 4947(a)(1) trusts and taxable foundations only. Others enter -0-)		2	0.
3 Add lines 1 and 2		3	110,479.
4 Subtitle A (income) tax (domestic section 4947(a)(1) trusts and taxable foundations only. Others enter -0-)		4	0.
5 Tax based on investment income. Subtract line 4 from line 3. If zero or less, enter -0-		5	110,479.
6 Credits/Payments:			
a 2015 estimated tax payments and 2014 overpayment credited to 2015	6a 300,000.		
b Exempt foreign organizations - tax withheld at source	6b		
c Tax paid with application for extension of time to file (Form 8868)	6c		
d Backup withholding erroneously withheld	6d		
7 Total credits and payments. Add lines 6a through 6d		7	300,000.
8 Enter any penalty for underpayment of estimated tax. Check here ☐ if Form 2220 is attached		8	
9 Tax due. If the total of lines 5 and 8 is more than line 7, enter amount owed		9	
10 Overpayment. If line 7 is more than the total of lines 5 and 8, enter the amount overpaid		10	189,521.
11 Enter the amount of line 10 to be: Credited to 2016 estimated tax ☒ 189,521. Refunded ☐		11	0.

Part VII-A Statements Regarding Activities

	Yes	No
1a During the tax year, did the foundation attempt to influence any national, state, or local legislation or did it participate or intervene in any political campaign?		X
b Did it spend more than \$100 during the year (either directly or indirectly) for political purposes (see instructions for the 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.		X
c Did the foundation file Form 1120-POL for this year?		X
d Enter the amount (if any) of tax on political expenditures (section 4955) imposed during the year: (1) On the foundation. ☒ \$ 0. (2) On foundation managers. ☒ \$ 0.		
e Enter the reimbursement (if any) paid by the foundation during the year for political expenditure tax imposed on foundation managers. ☒ \$ 0.		
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.		X
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		X
4a Did the foundation have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year?		X
b If "Yes," has it filed a tax return on Form 990-T for this year?		
5 Was there a liquidation, termination, dissolution, or substantial contraction during the year? If "Yes," attach the statement required by General Instruction T.		X
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?		X
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	X	
8a Enter the states to which the foundation reports or with which it is registered (see instructions) ☒ DE		
b If the answer is "Yes" to line 7, has the foundation furnished a copy of Form 990-PF to the Attorney General (or designate) of each state as required by General Instruction G? If "No," attach explanation	X	
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		X
10 Did any persons become substantial contributors during the tax year? If "Yes," attach a schedule listing their names and addresses		X

N/A

Part VII-A Statements Regarding Activities (continued)

	Yes	No
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)		X
12 Did the foundation make a distribution to a donor advised fund over which the foundation or a disqualified person had advisory privileges? If "Yes," attach statement (see instructions)	X	
13 Did the foundation comply with the public inspection requirements for its annual returns and exemption application? Website address ► WWW.MTCUBACENTER.ORG	X	
14 The books are in care of ► HENRY VERRECCHIA, ASST. TREASURER Telephone no. ► 302-239-8802 Located at ► 3120 BARLEY MILL ROAD, HOCKESSIN, DE ZIP+4 ► 19707		
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		
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 the instructions for exceptions and filing requirements for FinCEN Form 114. If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country ►		X

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? (2) Borrow money from, lend money to, or otherwise extend credit to (or accept it from) a disqualified person? (3) Furnish goods, services, or facilities to (or accept them from) a disqualified person? (4) Pay compensation to, or pay or reimburse the expenses of, a disqualified person? (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)? (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	N/A	
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?		X
2 Taxes on failure to distribute income (section 4942) (does not apply for years the foundation was a private operating foundation defined in section 4942(j)(3) or 4942(j)(5)): a At the end of tax year 2015, did the foundation have any undistributed income (lines 6d and 6e, Part XIII) for tax year(s) beginning before 2015? If "Yes," list the years ►	☐ Yes ☒ No	
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.)	N/A	
c If the provisions of section 4942(a)(2) are being applied to any of the years listed in 2a, list the years here. ►		
3a Did the foundation hold more than a 2% direct or indirect interest in any business enterprise at any time during the year?	☐ Yes ☒ No	
b If "Yes," did it have excess business holdings in 2015 as a result of (1) any purchase by the foundation or disqualified persons after May 26, 1969; (2) the lapse of the 5-year period (or longer period approved by the Commissioner under section 4943(c)(7)) to dispose of holdings acquired by gift or bequest; or (3) the lapse of the 10-, 15-, or 20-year first phase holding period? (Use Schedule C, Form 4720, to determine if the foundation had excess business holdings in 2015.)	N/A	
4a Did the foundation invest during the year any amount in a manner that would jeopardize its charitable purposes?		X
b Did the foundation make any investment in a prior year (but after December 31, 1969) that could jeopardize its charitable purpose that had not been removed from jeopardy before the first day of the tax year beginning in 2015?		X

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

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

(1) Carry on 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)?

N/A

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?

N/A

☐ 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

X

If "Yes" to 6b, file Form 8870.

7a At any time during the tax year, was the foundation a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction?

☐ Yes ☒ No

b If "Yes," did the foundation receive any proceeds or have any net income attributable to the transaction?

N/A

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.

(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
SEE STATEMENT 12		316,095.	45,389.	0.

2 Compensation of five highest-paid employees (other than those included on line 1). 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
GREGORY WUTHNOW - C/O MT. CUBA, 3120 BARLEY MILL ROAD, HOCKESSIN, DE	SUPERINTENDENT 40.00	114,519.	24,394.	0.
TRAVIS BECK - C/O MT. CUBA, 3120 BARLEY MILL ROAD, HOCKESSIN, DE	DIRECTOR OF HORTICULTURE 40.00	99,492.	16,042.	0.
JERRY A. STERNDAL - C/O MT. CUBA, 3120 BARLEY MILL ROAD, HOCKESSIN, DE	GROUNDS FOREMAN 40.00	81,184.	22,869.	0.
EILEEN D. BOYLE - C/O MT. CUBA, 3120 BARLEY MILL ROAD, HOCKESSIN, DE	EDUCATION COORD. 40.00	99,374.	1,295.	0.
BRIAN KELLY - C/O MT. CUBA, 3120 BARLEY MILL ROAD, HOCKESSIN, DE	IT DIRECTOR 40.00	78,179.	15,713.	0.

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

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

(a) Name and address of each person paid more than \$50,000	(b) Type of service	(c) Compensation
RALPH G. DEGLI OBIZZI & SONS, INC. 400 ROBINSON LN #A, WILMINGTON, DE 19805	CONSTRUCTION	285,173.
CAMBRIDGE ASSOCIATES 100 SUMMER STREET, BOSTON, MA 02110	INVESTMENT CONSULTING	266,107.
LYONS COMPANIES ONE RIGHTER PARKWAY, WILMINGTON, DE 19803	INSURANCE BROKER	103,558.
H.K.GRIFFITH, INC. 115 HAPPY LN, NEWARK, DE 19711	ROOFING INSTALLATION	64,772.
COLBYCO GRAPHICS, LLC 629 GROVE ST #303, JERSEY CITY, NJ 07310	PRINTING	54,471.
Total number of others receiving over \$50,000 for professional services		0

Part IX-A Summary of Direct Charitable Activities

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

	Expenses
1 STUDY, CONSERVATION AND APPRECIATION OF PLANTS NATIVE TO THE APPALACHIAN PIEDMONT REGION THROUGH GARDEN DISPLAY, EDUCATION AND RESEARCH.	15,178,942.
2	
3	
4	

Part IX-B Summary of Program-Related Investments

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	0.

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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	261,468,974.
b	Average of monthly cash balances	1b	9,093,088.
c	Fair market value of all other assets	1c	
d	Total (add lines 1a, b, and c)	1d	270,562,062.
e	Reduction claimed for blockage or other factors reported on lines 1a and 1c (attach detailed explanation)	1e	0.
2	Acquisition indebtedness applicable to line 1 assets	2	0.
3	Subtract line 2 from line 1d	3	270,562,062.
4	Cash deemed held for charitable activities. Enter 1 1/2% of line 3 (for greater amount, see instructions)	4	4,058,431.
5	Net value of noncharitable-use assets. Subtract line 4 from line 3. Enter here and on Part V, line 4	5	266,503,631.
6	Minimum investment return. Enter 5% of line 5	6	13,325,182.

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	13,325,182.
2a	Tax on investment income for 2015 from Part VI, line 5	2a	110,479.
b	Income tax for 2015. (This does not include the tax from Part VI.)	2b	
c	Add lines 2a and 2b	2c	110,479.
3	Distributable amount before adjustments. Subtract line 2c from line 1	3	13,214,703.
4	Recoveries of amounts treated as qualifying distributions	4	0.
5	Add lines 3 and 4	5	13,214,703.
6	Deduction from distributable amount (see instructions)	6	0.
7	Distributable amount as adjusted. Subtract line 6 from line 5. Enter here and on Part XIII, line 1	7	13,214,703.

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	15,178,942.
b	Program-related investments - total from Part IX-B	1b	0.
2	Amounts paid to acquire assets used (or held for use) directly in carrying out charitable, etc., purposes	2	253,764.
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	15,432,706.
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	5	110,479.
6	Adjusted qualifying distributions. Subtract line 5 from line 4	6	15,322,227.

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.

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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				13,214,703.
2 Undistributed income, if any, as of the end of 2015				
a Enter amount for 2014 only			5,364,755.	
b Total for prior years:		0.		
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	0.			
4 Qualifying distributions for 2015 from Part XII, line 4: ▶ \$ 15,432,706.				
a Applied to 2014, but not more than line 2a			5,364,755.	
b Applied to undistributed income of prior years (Election required - see instructions)		0.		
c Treated as distributions out of corpus (Election required - see instructions)	0.			
d Applied to 2015 distributable amount				10,067,951.
e Remaining amount distributed out of corpus	0.			
5 Excess distributions carryover applied to 2015 (If an amount appears in column (d), the same amount must be shown in column (a))	0.			0.
6 Enter the net total of each column as indicated below:				
a Corpus Add lines 3f, 4c, and 4e Subtract line 5	0.			
b Prior years' undistributed income. Subtract line 4b from line 2b		0.		
c Enter the amount of prior years' undistributed income for which a notice of deficiency has been issued, or on which the section 4942(a) tax has been previously assessed		0.		
d Subtract line 6c from line 6b. Taxable amount - see instructions		0.		
e Undistributed income for 2014. Subtract line 4a from line 2a. Taxable amount - see instr.			0.	
f Undistributed income for 2015. Subtract lines 4d and 5 from line 1. This amount must be distributed in 2016				3,146,752.
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)	0.			
8 Excess distributions carryover from 2010 not applied on line 5 or line 7	0.			
9 Excess distributions carryover to 2016. Subtract lines 7 and 8 from line 6a	0.			
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				

N/A

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

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

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

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

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

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

- c Any submission deadlines:**

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

Part XV Supplementary Information (continued)**3 Grants and Contributions Paid During the Year or Approved for Future Payment**

Recipient Name and address (home or business)	If recipient is an individual, show any relationship to any foundation manager or substantial contributor	Foundation status of recipient	Purpose of grant or contribution	Amount
a Paid during the year				
DELAWARE NATURE SOCIETY C/O MT. CUBA, 3120 BARLEY MILL ROAD HOCKESSIN, DE 19707	NONE	501(C)(3), 509(A)(1)	LAND PRESERVATION.	340,000.
THE CONSERVATION FUND C/O MT. CUBA, 3120 BARLEY MILL ROAD HOCKESSIN, DE 19707	NONE	501(C)(3), 509(A)(1)	LAND CONSERVATION.	8,000,000.
BRANDYWINE CONSERVANCY C/O MT. CUBA, 3120 BARLEY MILL ROAD HOCKESSIN, DE 19707	NONE	501(C)(3), 509(A)(1)	FUTURE LAND CONSERVATION INITIATIVES.	843.
Total				8,340,843.
b Approved for future payment				
CHESAPEAKE CONSERVANCY C/O MT. CUBA, 3120 BARLEY MILL ROAD HOCKESSIN, DE 19707	NONE	501(C)(3), 509(A)(1)	LAND CONSERVATION.	1,650,000.
THE NATURE CONSERVANCY C/O MT. CUBA, 3120 BARLEY MILL ROAD HOCKESSIN, DE 19707	NONE	501(C)(3), 509(A)(1)	LAND CONSERVATION.	35,000.
Total				1,685,000.

Information Regarding Transfers To and Transactions and Relationships With Noncharitable Exempt Organizations

- | | | Yes | No |
|----------|--|--------------|----------|
| 1 | 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? | | |
| a | Transfers from the reporting foundation to a noncharitable exempt organization of: | | |
| | (1) Cash | 1a(1) | X |
| | (2) Other assets | 1a(2) | X |
| b | Other transactions: | | |
| | (1) Sales of assets to a noncharitable exempt organization | 1b(1) | X |
| | (2) Purchases of assets from a noncharitable exempt organization | 1b(2) | X |
| | (3) Rental of facilities, equipment, or other assets | 1b(3) | X |
| | (4) Reimbursement arrangements | 1b(4) | X |
| | (5) Loans or loan guarantees | 1b(5) | X |
| | (6) Performance of services or membership or fundraising solicitations | 1b(6) | X |
| c | Sharing of facilities, equipment, mailing lists, other assets, or paid employees | 1c | X |
| 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. | | |

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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
N/A		

**Sign
Here**

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.

Signature of officer or trustee

Date 7/11/2017

Title

ASST TREASURER

May the IRS discuss this return with the preparer shown below (see instr.)?

☒ Yes ☐ No**Paid
Preparer
Use Only**

Print/Type preparer's name

Preparer's signature

Date _____

Check ☐
self-employed

PTIN

PETER KENNEDY

PETER KENNEDY

10/14/16

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Firm's name ► **COVER & ROSSITER, P.A.**

Firm's EIN ► 51-0232475

Firm's address ► 62 ROCKFORD ROAD, SUITE 200
WILMINGTON, DE 19806

Phone no. (302) 656-6632

Form **990-PF** (2015)

FORM 990-PF INTEREST ON SAVINGS AND TEMPORARY CASH INVESTMENTS STATEMENT 1

SOURCE	(A) REVENUE PER BOOKS	(B) NET INVESTMENT INCOME	(C) ADJUSTED NET INCOME
INVESTMENT INTEREST INCOME	746,557.	746,557.	
TOTAL TO PART I, LINE 3	746,557.	746,557.	

FORM 990-PF DIVIDENDS AND INTEREST FROM SECURITIES STATEMENT 2

SOURCE	GROSS AMOUNT	CAPITAL GAINS DIVIDENDS	(A) REVENUE PER BOOKS	(B) NET INVEST- MENT INCOME	(C) ADJUSTED NET INCOME
INVESTMENT DIVIDEND INCOME	2,687,425.	0.	2,687,425.	2,687,425.	
TO PART I, LINE 4	2,687,425.	0.	2,687,425.	2,687,425.	

FORM 990-PF RENTAL INCOME STATEMENT 3

KIND AND LOCATION OF PROPERTY	ACTIVITY NUMBER	GROSS RENTAL INCOME
FACILITY RENTAL	1	1,245.
TOTAL TO FORM 990-PF, PART I, LINE 5A		1,245.

FORM 990-PF OTHER INCOME STATEMENT 4

DESCRIPTION	(A) REVENUE PER BOOKS	(B) NET INVEST- MENT INCOME	(C) ADJUSTED NET INCOME
K-1 PASSTHROUGH INCOME	-1,917,909.	-1,917,909.	
BOOK SALES	3,056.	0.	
TOUR INCOME	49,628.	0.	
LECTURES / COURSES	81,260.	0.	
MISC. INCOME	17,609.	0.	
TOTAL TO FORM 990-PF, PART I, LINE 11	-1,766,356.	-1,917,909.	

FORM 990-PF	LEGAL FEES	STATEMENT	5
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DESCRIPTION	(A) EXPENSES PER BOOKS	(B) NET INVEST- MENT INCOME	(C) ADJUSTED NET INCOME	(D) CHARITABLE PURPOSES
LEGAL FEES	5,046.	0.		5,046.
TO FM 990-PF, PG 1, LN 16A	5,046.	0.		5,046.

FORM 990-PF	ACCOUNTING FEES	STATEMENT	6
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DESCRIPTION	(A) EXPENSES PER BOOKS	(B) NET INVEST- MENT INCOME	(C) ADJUSTED NET INCOME	(D) CHARITABLE PURPOSES
AUDIT FEES	25,923.	0.		25,923.
TO FORM 990-PF, PG 1, LN 16B	25,923.	0.		25,923.

FORM 990-PF	OTHER PROFESSIONAL FEES	STATEMENT	7
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DESCRIPTION	(A) EXPENSES PER BOOKS	(B) NET INVEST- MENT INCOME	(C) ADJUSTED NET INCOME	(D) CHARITABLE PURPOSES
INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT	1,134,935.	1,134,935.		0.
BANK SERVICE FEES	67,386.	67,386.		0.
CREDIT CARD FEES	5,438.	0.		5,438.
TO FORM 990-PF, PG 1, LN 16C	1,207,759.	1,202,321.		5,438.

FORM 990-PF	TAXES	STATEMENT	8
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DESCRIPTION	(A) EXPENSES PER BOOKS	(B) NET INVEST- MENT INCOME	(C) ADJUSTED NET INCOME	(D) CHARITABLE PURPOSES
PAYROLL TAXES	239,167.	0.		239,167.
PF EXCISE TAX	110,479.	0.		0.
UNEMPLOYMENT TAXES	14,330.	0.		14,330.
REAL ESTATE TAXES	4,771.	0.		4,771.
TO FORM 990-PF, PG 1, LN 18	368,747.	0.		258,268.

FORM 990-PF	OTHER EXPENSES			STATEMENT 9
DESCRIPTION	(A) EXPENSES PER BOOKS	(B) NET INVEST- MENT INCOME	(C) ADJUSTED NET INCOME	(D) CHARITABLE PURPOSES
FUEL - HEATING AND GASOLINE	64,163.	0.		64,163.
INSURANCE	887,067.	0.		887,067.
MAINTENANCE AND REPAIRS	417,024.	0.		417,024.
SUPPLIES AND EQUIPMENT	360,557.	0.		360,557.
PUBLIC RELATIONS	168,810.	0.		168,810.
UTILITIES	136,982.	0.		136,982.
WILDFLOWER CELEBRATION	18,526.	0.		18,526.
OTHER PROGRAM-RELATED EXPENSES	550,370.	0.		550,370.
TO FORM 990-PF, PG 1, LN 23	2,603,499.	0.		2,603,499.

FORM 990-PF	OTHER INVESTMENTS		STATEMENT 10
DESCRIPTION	VALUATION METHOD	BOOK VALUE	FAIR MARKET VALUE
INVESTMENT PORTFOLIO	COST	262,410,156.	262,410,156.
TOTAL TO FORM 990-PF, PART II, LINE 13		262,410,156.	262,410,156.

FORM 990-PF	EXPLANATION CONCERNING PART VII-A, LINE 12	STATEMENT 11
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EXPLANATION

MT. CUBA CENTER, INC. MAINTAINS A DONOR ADVISED FUND AT THE DELAWARE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION TO ENABLE IT TO ACCUMULATE THE FUNDING NECESSARY FOR LARGE LAND CONSERVATION PROJECTS IN ACCORDANCE WITH ITS CHARITABLE PURPOSE.

FORM 990-PF

PART VIII - LIST OF OFFICERS, DIRECTORS
TRUSTEES AND FOUNDATION MANAGERS

STATEMENT 12

NAME AND ADDRESS	TITLE AND AVRG HRS/WK	COMPEN- SATION	EMPLOYEE BEN PLAN CONTRIB	EXPENSE ACCOUNT
JEFFREY DOWNING C/O MT. CUBA, 3120 BARLEY MILL ROAD HOCKESSIN, DE 19707	EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR 40.00	191,994.	16,033.	0.
ANN C. ROSE C/O MT. CUBA, 3120 BARLEY MILL ROAD HOCKESSIN, DE 19707	PRESIDENT 10.00	0.	0.	0.
KRISTIN BIDDLE C/O MT. CUBA, 3120 BARLEY MILL ROAD HOCKESSIN, DE 19707	DIRECTOR 1.00	0.	0.	0.
GERRET VAN S. COPELAND C/O MT. CUBA, 3120 BARLEY MILL ROAD HOCKESSIN, DE 19707	DIRECTOR 1.00	0.	0.	0.
LAMMOT COPELAND, JR. C/O MT. CUBA, 3120 BARLEY MILL ROAD HOCKESSIN, DE 19707	DIRECTOR 1.00	0.	0.	0.
LOUISA C. DUEMLING C/O MT. CUBA, 3120 BARLEY MILL ROAD HOCKESSIN, DE 19707	MEMBER EMERITUS 1.00	0.	0.	0.
MARILYN HAYWARD C/O MT. CUBA, 3120 BARLEY MILL ROAD HOCKESSIN, DE 19707	DIRECTOR 1.00	0.	0.	0.
ELIZABETH SHARP C/O MT. CUBA, 3120 BARLEY MILL ROAD HOCKESSIN, DE 19707	DIRECTOR 1.00	0.	0.	0.
DAVID SHIELDS C/O MT. CUBA, 3120 BARLEY MILL ROAD HOCKESSIN, DE 19707	SECRETARY/TREASURER 1.00	0.	0.	0.

CHARLES COPELAND
C/O MT. CUBA, 3120 BARLEY MILL
ROAD
HOCKESSIN, DE 19707

VICE PRESIDENT

1.00 0. 0. 0.

BLAINE PHILLIPS
C/O MT. CUBA, 3120 BARLEY MILL
ROAD
HOCKESSIN, DE 19707

CHAIRMAN EMERITUS

1.00 0. 0. 0.

HENRY VERRECCHIA
C/O MT. CUBA, 3120 BARLEY MILL
ROAD
HOCKESSIN, DE 19707

ASSISTANT TREAS/SECRETARY

40.00 124,101. 29,356. 0.

PAMELA BIDDLE
C/O MT. CUBA, 3120 BARLEY MILL
ROAD
HOCKESSIN, DE 19707

DIRECTOR

1.00 0. 0. 0.

C/O MT. CUBA, 3120 BARLEY MILL
ROAD

TOTALS INCLUDED ON 990-PF, PAGE 6, PART VIII

316,095. 45,389. 0.

Mt. Cuba Center, Inc. EIN 51-6001265
Schedule of Realized Gains
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	Investment Position	Proceeds	Cost	Gain (Loss)
GL	Aberdeen Emerging Markets Equity Fund	298,541 00	(5,999 00)	292,542 00
GL	Apollo Investment Fund VI Private Investors Offshore L P	56,290 00	(36,408 00)	19,882 00
GL	Cedar Rock Capital Partners, LLC	3,388,077 00	(3,000,000 00)	388,077 00
GL	Flag Real Estate Partners	1,694,712 00	(1,513,856 00)	180,856 00
GL	JP Morgan	144,798 00	(115,015 00)	29,783 00
GL	Pimco	14,105,374 00	(14,080,265 00)	25,109 00
GL	KKR European Fund II Private Investors Offshore, L P	249,706 00	(246,291 00)	3,415 00
GL	Somerset Global Emerging Markets Fund LLC	23,691 00	(3,733 00)	19,958 00
GL	Verdis Offshore Hedged Strategies Fund	406,866 00	(203,058 00)	203,808 00
GL	OZ Overseas Fund Ltd	79,281 00	(79,265 00)	16 00
GL	Anchorage	2,243,952 00	(2,243,811 00)	141 00
GL	Blue Harbor	182,011 00	-	182,011 00
GL	Eton Park	1,049,655 00	(644,038 00)	405,617 00
K-1	2014 Commonfund International Partners 6	245,464 00		245,464 00
K-1	2014 Commonfund International Partners 7	42,259 00		42,259 00
K-1	2014 Commonfund Natural Resources 7	255,010 00		255,010 00
K-1	2014 Commonfund Natural Resources 8	5,509 00		5,509 00
K-1	2014 Commonfund Natural Resources 9	359 00		359 00
K-1	2014 Commonfund Private Equity 6	282,469 00		282,469 00
K-1	2014 Commonfund Private Equity 7	236,018 00		236,018 00
K-1	2014 Commonfund Private Equity 8	5,313 00		5,313 00
K-1	2014 Commonfund Venture Partners 8	349,523 00		349,523 00
K-1	2014 Commonfund Venture Partners 9	325,420 00		325,420 00
K-1	2015 Truebridge Kauffman II	239,047 00		239,047 00
K-1	2015 Truebridge Kauffman III	6,601 00		6,601 00
K-1	Wellington Diversified Inflation Hedge	(560,398 00)		(560,398 00)
K-1	Berwind Prop Gr 7	5,455 00		5,455 00
K-1	Berwind Prop Gr 8	934,248 00		934,248 00
K-1	Blackrock Equity Index Fund B	2,209,256 00		2,209,256 00
K-1	Blackrock Govt Bond Index	209,829 00		209,829 00
K-1	Blackrock Short-term Investment Fund	9 00		9 00
K-1	Cedar Rock Intl	2,624,455 00		2,624,455 00
K-1	Davidson Kempner	176,406 00		176,406 00
K-1	Flag Real Estate	280,608 00		280,608 00
K-1	Lone Juniper, L P	52,222 00		52,222 00
K-1	Sigular Guff 2	(51,672 00)		(51,672 00)
K-1	Sigular Guff 3	124,475 00		124,475 00
K-1	Somerset Global Emerging Markets Fund	(248,303 00)		(248,303 00)
K-1	State St Real Asset Fund	(1,142,699 00)		(1,142,699 00)
K-1	Venture Inv Assoc 6	1,149,331 00		1,149,331 00
K-1	Wellington Cap Apprec Fund	1,225,424 00		1,225,424 00

Totals	32,904,592 00	(22,171,739.00)	10,732,853.00
	To Part IV, Line 1a, Column (e)	To Part IV, Line 1a, Column (g)	To Part IV, Line 1a, Column (h)