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Form **990-EZ****Short Form**  
**Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax**

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

OMB No 1545-1150

**2015****Open to Public Inspection**Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

▶ 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](http://www.irs.gov/form990).**A For the 2015 calendar year, or tax year beginning 07/01/15, and ending 06/30/16****B** Check if applicable

- ☐ Address change
- ☐ Name change
- ☐ Initial return
- ☐ Final return/terminated
- ☐ Amended return
- ☐ Application pending

**C** Name of organization**Douglas County Farm Bureau Assoc.**

Number and street (or P O box, if mail is not delivered to street address)

**808 W 24th Street, Suite C**

City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code

**Lawrence KS 66046****D** Employer identification number**48-0563321****E** Telephone number**785-856-3276****F** Group Exemption Number ▶**G** Accounting Method: ☐ Cash ☒ Accrual Other (specify) ▶**I** Website: ▶ **N/A****H** Check ☐ if the organization is not required to attach Schedule B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF)**J** Tax-exempt status (check only one) — ☐ 501(c)(3) ☒ 501(c)( 5 ) (insert no ) ☐ 4947(a)(1) or ☐ 527**K** Form of organization: ☒ Corporation ☐ Trust ☐ Association ☐ Other**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

▶ \$ **115,971****Part I Revenue, Expenses, and Changes in Net Assets or Fund Balances** (see the instructions for Part I)Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part I ☒

		1	2	3	4	5a	5b	5c	6a	6b	6c	6d	7a	7b	7c	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21
Revenue	1	Contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts received															7,400												
	2	Program service revenue including government fees and contracts																											
	3	Membership dues and assessments															91,284												
	4	Investment income															16,270												
	5a	Gross amount from sale of assets other than inventory																											
	5b	Less: cost or other basis and sales expenses																											
	5c	Gain or (loss) from sale of assets other than inventory (Subtract line 5b from line 5a)																											
	6	Gaming and fundraising events																											
	6a	Gross income from gaming (attach Schedule G if greater than \$15,000)																											
	6b	Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ of contributions from fundraising events reported on line 1) (attach Schedule G if the sum of such gross income and contributions exceeds \$15,000)																											
6c	Less: direct expenses from gaming and fundraising events																												
6d	Net income or (loss) from gaming and fundraising events (add lines 6a and 6b and subtract line 6c)																												
7a	Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances															1,017													
7b	Less: cost of goods sold															1,017													
7c	Gross profit or (loss) from sales of inventory (Subtract line 7b from line 7a)																												
8	Other revenue (describe in Schedule O)																												
9	Total revenue. Add lines 1, 2, 3, 4, 5c, 6d, 7c, and 8															114,954													
Expenses	10	Grants and similar amounts paid (list in Schedule O)															4,000												
	11	Benefits paid to or for members																											
	12	Salaries, other compensation, and employee benefits															35,318												
	13	Professional fees and other payments to independent contractors																											
	14	Occupancy, rent, utilities, and maintenance															15,464												
	15	Printing, publications, postage, and shipping															6,646												
	16	Other expenses (describe in Schedule O)															47,612												
	17	Total expenses. Add lines 10 through 16															109,040												
Net Assets	18	Excess or (deficit) for the year (Subtract line 17 from line 9)															5,914												
	19	Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (from line 27, column (A)) (must agree with end-of-year figure reported on prior year's return)															460,406												
	20	Other changes in net assets or fund balances (explain in Schedule O)																											
	21	Net assets or fund balances at end of year. Combine lines 18 through 20															466,320												

For Paperwork Reduction Act Notice, see the separate instructions.

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**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
22 Cash, savings, and investments	458,455	22	466,142
23 Land and buildings	349	23	116
24 Other assets (describe in Schedule O)	3,266	24	2,607
25 Total assets	462,070	25	468,865
26 Total liabilities (describe in Schedule O)	1,664	26	2,545
27 Net assets or fund balances (line 27 of column (B) must agree with line 21)	460,406	27	466,320

**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 ☐

What is the organization's primary exempt purpose?

Educate/improve life quality

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.

**Expenses**

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

28 All activities offered to educate and/or improve quality of life for members. Programs offered to all members include health, safety, citizenship and marketing.

(Grants \$ ) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here ☐ 28a

29 (Grants \$ ) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here ☐ 29a

30 (Grants \$ ) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here ☐ 30a

31 Other program services (describe in Schedule O)

(Grants \$ ) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here ☐ 31a32 Total program service expenses (add lines 28a through 31a) ☐ 32**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
Diane Fishburn President	0.00	0	0	0
Wendy Flory Vice-President	0.00	0	0	0
Stephanie McNish Treasurer	0.00	0	0	0
George Hunsinger Board Member	0.00	0	0	0
Julie Flory Board Member	0.00	0	0	0
Renee Edmonds Board Member	0.00	0	0	0
Jeff Flory Board Member	0.00	0	0	0
Jennie Stewart Board Member	0.00	0	0	0
Scott Thellman Board Member	0.00	0	0	0
Mark Brown Board Member	0.00	0	0	0
Ryan Lister Board Member	0.00	0	0	0
Bret Vannicola Board Member	0.00	0	0	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		<b>X</b>
<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)		<b>X</b>
<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)?		<b>X</b>
<b>b</b> If "Yes," to line 35a, has the organization filed a Form 990-T 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		<b>X</b>
<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		<b>X</b>
<b>37a</b> Enter amount of political expenditures, direct or indirect, as described in the instructions <span style="float:right">▶ <b>37a</b></span>		
<b>b</b> Did the organization file <b>Form 1120-POL</b> for this year?		<b>X</b>
<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?		<b>X</b>
<b>b</b> If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part II and enter the total amount involved <span style="float:right"><b>38b</b></span>		
<b>39</b> Section 501(c)(7) organizations. Enter:		
<b>a</b> Initiation fees and capital contributions included on line 9 <span style="float:right"><b>39a</b></span>		
<b>b</b> Gross receipts, included on line 9, for public use of club facilities <span style="float:right"><b>39b</b></span>		
<b>40a</b> Section 501(c)(3) organizations Enter amount of tax imposed on the organization during the year under section 4911 <span style="float:right">▶</span> _____; section 4912 <span style="float:right">▶</span> _____, section 4955 <span style="float:right">▶</span> _____		
<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 <span style="float:right">▶</span> _____		
<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 <span style="float:right">▶</span> _____		
<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		<b>X</b>
<b>41</b> List the states with which a copy of this return is filed <span style="float:right">▶ <b>None</b></span>		
<b>42a</b> The organization's books are in care of <span style="float:right">▶ <b>OFFICE SECRETARY</b></span> Telephone no. <span style="float:right">▶ <b>785-856-3276</b></span> 808 W 24th Street, Suite C Located at <span style="float:right">▶ <b>LAWRENCE</b></span> KS ZIP + 4 <span style="float:right">▶ <b>66046</b></span>		
<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)? If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country: <span style="float:right">▶</span> _____ See the instructions for exceptions and filing requirements for FinCEN Form 114, Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts (FBAR).		
<b>c</b> At any time during the calendar year, did the organization maintain an office outside the U.S.? If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country: <span style="float:right">▶</span> _____		
<b>43</b> Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts filing Form 990-EZ in lieu of <b>Form 1041</b> — Check here and enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the tax year <span style="float:right">▶ <b>43</b></span>		
<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		<b>X</b>
<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		<b>X</b>
<b>c</b> Did the organization receive any payments for indoor tanning services during the year?		<b>X</b>
<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)?		<b>X</b>
<b>b</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)		<b>X</b>

- 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

	Yes	No
<b>46</b>		<b>X</b>

**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 ☐

- 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"

	Yes	No
<b>47</b>		
<b>48</b>		
<b>49a</b>		
<b>49b</b>		

(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"

(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 **▶** ☐ Yes ☐ No

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.

<b>Sign Here</b>	<i>Stephanie R McNish</i>	<b>10-6-16</b>
	Signature of officer	Date
	<i>Stephanie R McNish, Treasurer</i>	
	Type or print name and title	

<b>Paid Preparer Use Only</b>	Print/Type preparer's name	Preparer's signature	Date	Check <input type="checkbox"/> if self-employed	PTIN
	Firm's name <b>▶</b>	<b>This tax return prepared by a non-paid preparer.</b>			Firm's EIN <b>▶</b>
	Firm's address <b>▶</b>				Phone no

May the IRS discuss this return with the preparer shown above? See instructions **▶** ☐ Yes ☐ No

**SCHEDULE O**  
**(Form 990 or 990-EZ)**Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

Name of the organization

**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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Employer identification number

**Douglas County Farm Bureau Assoc.****48-0563321****Form 990-EZ, Part I, Line 16 - Other Expenses**

Description	Amount
Advertising	\$ 242
Bank Service Charges	\$ 46
Board Expense	\$ 6,012
Committees: Ag in the Cla	\$ 717
Slice of Ag	\$ 1,892
Committees: Policy	\$ 1,485
Committees: Public Relati	\$ 785
Committees: Safety / Heal	\$ 204
Committees: Womens	\$ 192
Committees: YF&R State Mt	\$ 3,676
Fair Expense	\$ 200
4-H Auction	\$ 3,950
Bale Toss Prizes	\$ 658
4-H Showmanship Award	\$ 800
Pedal Pull Trophies	\$ 238
Family Fun Night	\$ 2,346
Gifts & Flowers	\$ 200
Insurance: Master Group L	\$ 1,151
Insurance: Personal Prope	\$ 258
Meetings: County Annual	\$ 1,235
LEAD's Trip	\$ 5,066
Meetings: State Annual	\$ 1,316
Office Expense & Supplies	\$ 569

Name of the organization

Employer identification number

**Douglas County Farm Bureau Assoc.****48-0563321**

Contributions	\$	1,225
Committees: Marketing	\$	21
Committees: YF&R Scholars	\$	500
Committees: YF&R Nat'l Mt	\$	4,677
Contributions: KFB Legal	\$	1,000
Meetings: National Annual	\$	3,000
Membership Dues	\$	520
Promotional Items	\$	2,318
Taxes: Sec of State	\$	40
Mileage	\$	414
Non-investment Depreciation	\$	659
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>47,612</b>

## Form 990-EZ, Part II, Line 24 - Other Assets

Description	Beg. of Year	End of Year
	\$ 3,838	\$ 3,838
Less Accumulated Depreciation	\$ 572	\$ 1,231
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 3,266</b>	<b>\$ 2,607</b>

## Form 990-EZ, Part II, Line 26 - Other Liabilities

Description	Beg. of Year	End of Year
Accounts Payable and Accrued Expenses	\$ 1,664	\$ 2,545