

Form 990-PF

Return of Private Foundation

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

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For calendar year 2015 or tax year beginning

SEP 1, 2015

and ending

AUG 31, 2016

Name of foundation

LERNER FOUNDATION

A Employer identification number

23-7032703

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

241 FIRST AVENUE NORTH

Room/suite

B Telephone number

(612) 332-3344

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

MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55401-1607

C If exemption application is pending, check here ☐

G Check all that apply:

☐ Initial return☐ Initial return of a former public charity☐ Final return☐ Amended return☐ Address change☐ Name changeD 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 foundationE 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)

\$ 1,548,676. (Part I, column (d) must be on cash basis)

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

24,541.

N/A

2 Check ☐ if the foundation is not required to attach Sch B Interest on savings and temporary cash investments

3 Dividends and interest from securities

32,621.

32,621.

STATEMENT 2

5a Gross rents

b Net rental income or (loss)

6a Net gain or (loss) from sale of assets not on line 10

58,755.

STATEMENT 1

b Gross sales price for all assets on line 6a 87,561.

7 Capital gain net income (from Part IV, line 2)

73,378.

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

450.

0.

STATEMENT 3

12 Total. Add lines 1 through 11

116,367.

105,999.

13 Compensation of officers, directors, trustees, etc

0.

0.

0.

14 Other employee salaries and wages

15 Pension plans, employee benefits

16a Legal fees

b Accounting fees

c Other professional fees

17 Interest

18 Taxes

3,607.

0.

0.

19 Depreciation and depletion

20 Occupancy

21 Travel, conferences, and meetings

22 Printing and publications

23 Other expenses

STMT 5

25.

0.

25.

24 Total operating and administrative expenses. Add lines 13 through 23

3,632.

0.

25.

25 Contributions, gifts, grants paid

86,667.

86,667.

26 Total expenses and disbursements. Add lines 24 and 25

90,299.

0.

86,692.

27 Subtract line 26 from line 12:

a Excess of revenue over expenses and disbursements

26,068.

b Net investment income (if negative, enter -0-)

105,999.

c Adjusted net income (if negative, enter -0-)

N/A

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Part II Balance Sheets		Beginning of year		End of year	
		(a) Book Value	(b) Book Value	(c) Fair Market Value	
Assets	1 Cash - non-interest-bearing	934.	6,087.	6,087.	
	2 Savings and temporary cash investments	3,434.	1,292.	1,292.	
	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				
	10a Investments - U.S. and state government obligations				
	b Investments - corporate stock STMT 7	695,323.	726,437.	1,541,297.	
	c Investments - corporate bonds				
	Liabilities	11 Investments - land, buildings, and equipment basis ▶			
Less: accumulated depreciation ▶					
12 Investments - mortgage loans					
13 Investments - other					
14 Land, buildings, and equipment basis ▶					
Less: accumulated depreciation ▶					
15 Other assets (describe ▶ DUE FROM BROKER)		8,057.	0.	0.	
16 Total assets (to be completed by all filers - see the instructions. Also, see page 1, item I)		707,748.	733,816.	1,548,676.	
17 Accounts payable and accrued expenses					
18 Grants payable					
Net Assets or Fund Balances	19 Deferred revenue				
	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)	0.	0.			
Net Assets or Fund Balances	Foundations that follow SFAS 117, check here ▶ ☐				
	24 Unrestricted				
	25 Temporarily restricted				
	26 Permanently restricted				
	Foundations that do not follow SFAS 117, check here ▶ ☒				
	27 Capital stock, trust principal, or current funds	718,482.	718,482.		
	28 Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, bldg., and equipment fund	0.	0.		
	29 Retained earnings, accumulated income, endowment, or other funds	-10,734.	15,334.		
30 Total net assets or fund balances	707,748.	733,816.	STATEMENT 6		
31 Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances	707,748.	733,816.			

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	707,748.
2 Enter amount from Part I, line 27a	2	26,068.
3 Other increases not included in line 2 (itemize) ▶	3	0.
4 Add lines 1, 2, and 3	4	733,816.
5 Decreases not included in line 2 (itemize) ▶	5	0.
6 Total net assets or fund balances at end of year (line 4 minus line 5) - Part II, column (b), line 30	6	733,816.

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 PUBLICLY TRADED SECURITIES		D		
b CAPITAL GAINS DIVIDENDS				
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 51,528.		14,183.	37,345.
b 36,033.			36,033.
c			
d			
e			

Complete only for assets showing gain in column (h) and owned by the foundation on 12/31/69

(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			37,345.
b			36,033.
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 73,378.

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	74,781.	1,546,758.	.048347
2013	77,832.	1,596,398.	.048755
2012	71,222.	1,271,110.	.056031
2011	75,637.	1,070,729.	.070641
2010	65,622.	1,062,480.	.061763

2 Total of line 1, column (d) 2 .285537

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 .057107

4 Enter the net value of noncharitable-use assets for 2015 from Part X, line 5 4 1,414,257.

5 Multiply line 4 by line 3 5 80,764.

6 Enter 1% of net investment income (1% of Part I, line 27b) 6 1,060.

7 Add lines 5 and 6 7 81,824.

8 Enter qualifying distributions from Part XII, line 4 8 86,692.

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	1,060.
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	1,060.
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	1,060.
6 Credits/Payments:			
a 2015 estimated tax payments and 2014 overpayment credited to 2015	6a	2,240.	
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	2,240.	
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	1,180.	
11 Enter the amount of line 10 to be: Credited to 2016 estimated tax ☒ 1,180. 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) ☒ MN		
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

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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 ► <u>N/A</u>	X	
14 The books are in care of ► <u>HARRY LERNER</u> Telephone no. ► <u>612-332-3344</u> Located at ► <u>241 FIRST AVE N, MINNEAPOLIS, MN</u> ZIP+4 ► <u>55401-1607</u>		
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? ☐ 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	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? ☐ Yes ☒ No If "Yes," list the years ►		
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

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
HARRY LERNER	PRESIDENT			
241 FIRST AVENUE NORTH				
MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55401	0.10	0.	0.	0.
MIA LERNER POSADA	VICE PRESIDENT, SECRETARY			
241 FIRST AVENUE NORTH				
MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55401	0.05	0.	0.	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
NONE				

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

0

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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
NONE		

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 N/A	
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	1,410,162.
b	Average of monthly cash balances	1b	25,632.
c	Fair market value of all other assets	1c	
d	Total (add lines 1a, b, and c)	1d	1,435,794.
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	1,435,794.
4	Cash deemed held for charitable activities. Enter 1 1/2% of line 3 (for greater amount, see instructions)	4	21,537.
5	Net value of noncharitable-use assets. Subtract line 4 from line 3. Enter here and on Part V, line 4	5	1,414,257.
6	Minimum investment return. Enter 5% of line 5	6	70,713.

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	70,713.
2a	Tax on investment income for 2015 from Part VI, line 5	2a	1,060.
b	Income tax for 2015. (This does not include the tax from Part VI.)	2b	
c	Add lines 2a and 2b	2c	1,060.
3	Distributable amount before adjustments. Subtract line 2c from line 1	3	69,653.
4	Recoveries of amounts treated as qualifying distributions	4	450.
5	Add lines 3 and 4	5	70,103.
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	70,103.

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	86,692.
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	
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	86,692.
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	1,060.
6	Adjusted qualifying distributions. Subtract line 5 from line 4	6	85,632.

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				70,103.
2 Undistributed income, if any, as of the end of 2015				
a Enter amount for 2014 only			0.	
b Total for prior years:		0.		
3 Excess distributions carryover, if any, to 2015:				
a From 2010	14,997.			
b From 2011	22,545.			
c From 2012	8,514.			
d From 2013				
e From 2014				
f Total of lines 3a through e	46,056.			
4 Qualifying distributions for 2015 from Part XII, line 4: ► \$	86,692.			
a Applied to 2014, but not more than line 2a			0.	
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				70,103.
e Remaining amount distributed out of corpus	16,589.			
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:	62,645.			
a Corpus. Add lines 3f, 4c, and 4e. Subtract line 5				
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				0.
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	14,997.			
9 Excess distributions carryover to 2016. Subtract lines 7 and 8 from line 6a	47,648.			
10 Analysis of line 9:				
a Excess from 2011	22,545.			
b Excess from 2012	8,514.			
c Excess from 2013				
d Excess from 2014				
e Excess from 2015	16,589.			

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				
SEE ATTACHED SCHEDULE	NONE	PUBLIC	SEE ATTACHED SCHEDULE	86,667.
Total			3a	86,667.
b Approved for future payment				
NONE				
Total			3b	0.

Schedule B
(Form 990, 990-EZ,
or 990-PF)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Schedule of Contributors

▶ Attach to Form 990, Form 990-EZ, or Form 990-PF.
▶ Information about Schedule B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF) and
its instructions is at www.irs.gov/form990.

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2015

Name of the organization

LERNER FOUNDATION

Employer identification number

23-7032703

Organization type (check one)

Filers of:

Section:

Form 990 or 990-EZ

☐ 501(c)() (enter number) organization

☐ 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust **not** treated as a private foundation

☐ 527 political organization

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☒ 501(c)(3) exempt private foundation

☐ 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust treated as a private foundation

☐ 501(c)(3) taxable private foundation

Check if your organization is covered by the **General Rule** or a **Special Rule**.

Note. Only a section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) organization can check boxes for both the General Rule and a Special Rule. See instructions.

General Rule

- ☒ For an organization filing Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF that received, during the year, contributions totaling \$5,000 or more (in money or property) from any one contributor. Complete Parts I and II. See instructions for determining a contributor's total contributions.

Special Rules

- ☐ For an organization described in section 501(c)(3) filing Form 990 or 990-EZ that met the 33 1/3% support test of the regulations under sections 509(a)(1) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi), that checked Schedule A (Form 990 or 990-EZ), Part II, line 13, 16a, or 16b, and that received from any one contributor, during the year, total contributions of the greater of (1) \$5,000 or (2) 2% of the amount on (i) Form 990, Part VIII, line 1h, or (ii) Form 990-EZ, line 1. Complete Parts I and II.
- ☐ For an organization described in section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) filing Form 990 or 990-EZ that received from any one contributor, during the year, total contributions of more than \$1,000 *exclusively* for religious, charitable, scientific, literary, or educational purposes, or for the prevention of cruelty to children or animals. Complete Parts I, II, and III.
- ☐ For an organization described in section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) filing Form 990 or 990-EZ that received from any one contributor, during the year, contributions *exclusively* for religious, charitable, etc., purposes, but no such contributions totaled more than \$1,000. If this box is checked, enter here the total contributions that were received during the year for an *exclusively* religious, charitable, etc., purpose. Do not complete any of the parts unless the **General Rule** applies to this organization because it received *nonexclusively* religious, charitable, etc., contributions totaling \$5,000 or more during the year ▶ \$ _____

Caution. An organization that is not covered by the General Rule and/or the Special Rules does not file Schedule B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF), but it **must** answer "No" on Part IV, line 2, of its Form 990, or check the box on line H of its Form 990-EZ or on its Form 990-PF, Part I, line 2, to certify that it does not meet the filing requirements of Schedule B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF).

LHA For Paperwork Reduction Act Notice, see the Instructions for Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF. Schedule B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF) (2015)

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Part I Contributors (see instructions) Use duplicate copies of Part I if additional space is needed

(a) No.	(b) Name, address, and ZIP + 4	(c) Total contributions	(d) Type of contribution
1	HARRY LERNER 241 FIRST AVENUE N MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55401	\$ 3,554.	Person ☐ Payroll ☐ Noncash ☒ (Complete Part II for noncash contributions)
2	HARRY LERNER 241 FIRST AVENUE N MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55401	\$ 2,981.	Person ☐ Payroll ☐ Noncash ☒ (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
3	HARRY LERNER 241 FIRST AVENUE N MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55401	\$ 3,935.	Person ☐ Payroll ☐ Noncash ☒ (Complete Part II for noncash contributions)
4	HARRY LERNER 241 FIRST AVENUE N MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55401	\$ 3,456.	Person ☐ Payroll ☐ Noncash ☒ (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
5	HARRY LERNER 241 FIRST AVENUE N MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55401	\$ 6,660.	Person ☐ Payroll ☐ Noncash ☒ (Complete Part II for noncash contributions)
6	HARRY LERNER 241 FIRST AVENUE N MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55401	\$ 3,955.	Person ☐ Payroll ☐ Noncash ☒ (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)

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LERNER FOUNDATION**23-7032703****Part II** **Noncash Property** (see instructions) Use duplicate copies of Part II if additional space is needed.

(a) No. from Part I	(b) Description of noncash property given	(c) FMV (or estimate) (see instructions)	(d) Date received
<u>1</u>	40 SHS CHEVRON _____ _____ _____	\$ <u>3,554.</u>	<u>12/07/15</u>
<u>2</u>	50 SHS COMCAST _____ _____ _____	\$ <u>2,981.</u>	<u>12/07/15</u>
<u>3</u>	25 SHS EDWARDS LIFE _____ _____ _____	\$ <u>3,935.</u>	<u>12/07/15</u>
<u>4</u>	30 SHS APPLE _____ _____ _____	\$ <u>3,456.</u>	<u>12/07/15</u>
<u>5</u>	40 SHS EXPRESS SCRIPTS, FMV = \$3,387 25 SHS HOME DEPOT, FMV = \$3,273 _____ _____	\$ <u>6,660.</u>	<u>12/07/15</u>
<u>6</u>	500 SHS RITE AID _____ _____ _____	\$ <u>3,955.</u>	<u>12/07/15</u>

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Part III Exclusively religious, charitable, etc., contributions to organizations described in section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) that total more than \$1,000 for the year from any one contributor. Complete columns (a) through (e) and the following line entry. For organizations completing Part III, enter the total of exclusively religious, charitable, etc., contributions of \$1,000 or less for the year (Enter this info once) ▶ \$

Use duplicate copies of Part III if additional space is needed

(a) No. from Part I	(b) Purpose of gift	(c) Use of gift	(d) Description of how gift is held
	(e) Transfer of gift		
	Transferee's name, address, and ZIP + 4		Relationship of transferor to transferee
	(e) Transfer of gift		
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FORM 990-PF GAIN OR (LOSS) FROM SALE OF ASSETS STATEMENT 1

(A) DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY	MANNER ACQUIRED	DATE ACQUIRED	DATE SOLD	
PUBLICLY TRADED SECURITIES				
(B) GROSS SALES PRICE	(C) VALUE AT TIME OF ACQ.	(D) EXPENSE OF SALE	(E) DEPREC.	(F) GAIN OR LOSS
51,528.	28,806.	0.	0.	22,722.

CAPITAL GAINS DIVIDENDS FROM PART IV	36,033.
TOTAL TO FORM 990-PF, PART I, LINE 6A	58,755.

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
CHARLES SCHWAB	68,654.	36,033.	32,621.	32,621.	
TO PART I, LINE 4	68,654.	36,033.	32,621.	32,621.	

FORM 990-PF OTHER INCOME STATEMENT 3

DESCRIPTION	(A) REVENUE PER BOOKS	(B) NET INVEST- MENT INCOME	(C) ADJUSTED NET INCOME
DISTRIBUTION RECOVERIES	435.	0.	
MISC INCOME	15.	0.	
TOTAL TO FORM 990-PF, PART I, LINE 11	450.	0.	

FORM 990-PF

TAXES

STATEMENT 4

DESCRIPTION	(A) EXPENSES PER BOOKS	(B) NET INVEST- MENT INCOME	(C) ADJUSTED NET INCOME	(D) CHARITABLE PURPOSES
FEDERAL INCOME TAX	3,607.	0.		0.
TO FORM 990-PF, PG 1, LN 18	3,607.	0.		0.

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OTHER EXPENSES

STATEMENT 5

DESCRIPTION	(A) EXPENSES PER BOOKS	(B) NET INVEST- MENT INCOME	(C) ADJUSTED NET INCOME	(D) CHARITABLE PURPOSES
MN FILING FEE	25.	0.		25.
TO FORM 990-PF, PG 1, LN 23	25.	0.		25.

FORM 990-PF

OTHER FUNDS

STATEMENT 6

DESCRIPTION	(A) BEGINNING OF YEAR	(B) END OF YEAR
RE OR ACCUMULATED INCOME	-10,734.	15,334.
TOTAL TO FORM 990-PF, PART II, LINE 29	-10,734.	15,334.

FORM 990-PF

CORPORATE STOCK

STATEMENT 7

DESCRIPTION	BOOK VALUE	FAIR MARKET VALUE
800 SHS ALCOBRA	16,418.	3,936.
730 SHS MEDTRONIC	56,174.	63,532.
50.671 SHS MCKESSON CORPORATION	8,070.	9,355.
400 SHS MERCK & CO	13,050.	25,116.
300 SHS WELLS FARGO	5,873.	15,240.
250 SHS DELTA AIR LINES INC	7,040.	9,188.
222.871 SHS TARGET	7,379.	15,643.
220.769 SHS 3M COMPANY	18,166.	39,571.
166.768 SHS IBM	16,475.	25,353.
200 SHS MICROSOFT	10,388.	11,492.
200 SHS KROGER COMPANY	5,751.	6,398.
1825.921 SHS MAIRS & POWERS	116,422.	214,856.
1395.740 SHS VERIZON COMMUNICATIONS	42,533.	73,039.
15515.225 SHS SIT DIV GROWTH FD	230,032.	252,118.
11850.949 SHS PENTAIR INC	103,090.	695,003.
112.660 SHS CATERPILLAR INC	9,591.	9,233.
1500 SHS RITE AID CORPORATION	9,565.	11,295.
700 SHS CHARLES SCHWAB GROUP	12,943.	22,022.
100 SHS LYONDELLBASELL INDS	8,525.	7,889.
100 SHS FORD MOTOR COMPANY	1,639.	1,260.
140 SHS EXPRESS SCRIPTS HLDG CO	10,114.	10,178.
30 SHS APPLE	3,456.	3,183.
40 SHS CHEVRON	3,554.	4,023.
50 SHS COMCAST	2,981.	3,263.
50 SHS EDWARDS LIFESCIENCES	3,935.	5,758.
25 SHS HOME DEPOT	3,273.	3,353.
TOTAL TO FORM 990-PF, PART II, LINE 10B	726,437.	1,541,297.

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Lerner Foundation
Account QuickReport
September 2015 through August 2016

Date	Num	Name	Memo	Amount
Contributions Paid				
9/29/2015	3165	Milkweed Editions	General - Minneapolis, MN	700.00
10/5/2015	3166	The Nature Generation	General - Arlington, VA	150.00
10/7/2015	3167	MinnPost	General - Minneapolis, MN	100.00
10/27/2015	3168	International Campaign for Tibet	General - Waldorf, MD	100.00
10/28/2015	3169	Beth El Synagogue	General - St Louis Park, MN	250.00
11/17/2015	3170	Hamline University	Academic - St Paul, Minnesota	5,000.00
11/18/2015	3171	University of Minnesota Fndn (Hum Rts)	General - Minneapolis, MN	100.00
11/30/2015	3172	Archdiocese of Saint Paul & Minneapolis	General - St Paul, Minnesota	300.00
12/1/2015	3173	Smile Train	Medical - Washington DC	50.00
12/7/2015	3174	Augsburg College	Academic - Minneapolis, MN	1,000.00
12/8/2015	3175	Or Emet	General - Eagan, Minnesota	300.00
12/8/2015	3176	Heilicher Minneapolis Jewish Day School	Academic - Minneapolis, MN (Lern .	4,000.00
12/8/2015	3177	Heilicher Minneapolis Jewish Day School	Academic - Minneapolis, MN (Ann...	1,000.00
12/17/2015	3178	The Forward Association	General - New York, NY	250.00
12/21/2015	3179	Greater Twin Cities United Way	General - Minneapolis, Minnesota	1,500.00
12/28/2015	3180	Friends of Lifeline for the Old	General - Jerusalem, Israel	1,000.00
1/5/2016	3181	Temple of Aaron	General - St Paul, Minnesota	1,000.00
1/6/2016	3182	University of Minnesota Alumni Assoc	Academic - Minneapolis, MN	50.00
1/7/2016	3183	Brady Center to Prevent Gun Violence	General - Washington, DC	100.00
1/19/2016	3185	Association of Jewish Libranes	General - Chicago, IL	1,500.00
1/26/2016	3186	Books for Africa	Academic - St Paul, Minnesota	1,000.00
2/3/2016	3187	Wishes & More	General - Minneapolis, MN	2,000.00
2/9/2016	3188	Adath Jeshurun Foundation	General - Minnetonka, MN	250.00
2/9/2016	3189	The Friends of the St Paul Public Librar	Minnesota Book Awards - Gala Ti .	2,500.00
2/18/2016	3190	Heilicher Minneapolis Jewish Day School	Academic - Minneapolis, MN (Ann .	200.00
3/1/2016	3191	St Louis Park Dollars for Scholars	General - Minneapolis, MN	100.00
3/22/2016	3192	Temple Israel	General - Minneapolis, MN	2,000.00
3/23/2016	3193	UJA-Federation of New York	General - New York, NY	8,000.00
4/5/2016	3194	J Street Education Fund	General - Washington, DC	500.00
4/12/2016	3195	Minnesota Public Radio	General - St Paul, Minnesota	40.00
4/12/2016	3196	Twin Cities Public Television	General - St Paul, Minnesota	35.00
4/21/2016	3197	Jewish Community Relations Council	General - Minneapolis, MN	3,000.00
4/26/2016	3198	The Center for Victims of Torture	General - Albert Lea, Minnesota	100.00
4/26/2016	3199	FLAME	General - San Francisco, CA	100.00
5/2/2016	3200	University of Minnesota - LPG Travel Fund	Academic - Minneapolis, MN	5,000.00
5/2/2016	3201	Books for Africa	Academic - St Paul, Minnesota	1,000.00
5/9/2016	3202	Jewish Federation of Peoria	General - Peoria, IL	2,500.00
5/12/2016	3203	Macalester College	Academic - St Paul, Minnesota	3,000.00
5/18/2016	3204	Jewish Federation of Peoria	General - Peoria, IL	2,500.00
5/31/2016	3205	Blaisdell YMCA	General - Minneapolis, MN	100.00
6/1/2016	3206	Heilicher Minneapolis Jewish Day School	Academic - Minneapolis, MN (Sch .	5,000.00
6/6/2016	3207	Asian Counseling and Referral Service	General - Seattle, Washington	200.00
6/7/2016	3208	Adath Jeshurun Congregation	General - Minnetonka, MN	664.00
6/20/2016	3209	Jewish Community Action	General - St. Paul, MN	360.00
6/23/2016	3210	Minnesota Center for Book Arts	General - Minneapolis, MN	1,000.00
6/23/2016	3211	American Jewish Committee	General - New York, NY	1,000.00
7/20/2016	3212	BOND	Academic - Minneapolis, MN	250.00
7/26/2016	3213	Anderson Center	General - Red Wing, Minnesota	300.00
7/28/2016	3214	Adath Jeshurun Congregation	General - Minnetonka, MN	3,568.00
8/23/2016	3215	James Sewell Ballet	General - Minneapolis, MN	250.00
8/23/2016	3216	Guthrie Theater Foundation	General - Minneapolis, MN	200.00
8/24/2016	3217	Temple Israel	General - Minneapolis, MN	1,600.00
8/26/2016	3218	Minneapolis Jewish Federation	General - Minneapolis, MN	15,000.00
8/26/2016	3219	University of Minnesota (Dislocate)	General - Minneapolis, MN	4,000.00
8/26/2016	3220	The Park Bugle	General - St Paul, MN	50.00
8/26/2016	3221	Talmud Torah of St. Paul	General - St Paul, Minnesota	100.00
8/26/2016	3222	St Anthony Park Community Foundation	General - St Paul, MN	50.00
8/26/2016	3223	St Paul Jewish Community Center	General - St Paul, MN	100.00
8/26/2016	3224	Langford Park Boosters Club	General - St Paul, MN	100.00
8/26/2016	3225	Friends of the Hennepin County Library	Academic - Minneapolis, MN	250.00
8/26/2016	3226	St Paul Minneapolis Committee on Foreign	General - Minneapolis, MN	100.00
8/26/2016	3227	Science Museum of Minnesota	Academic - St. Paul, MN	150.00
Total Contributions Paid				86,667.00
TOTAL				86,667.00