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Form 990-PF

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Return of Private Foundation

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

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Open to Public Inspection

For calendar year 2015, or tax year beginning 12-01-2015, and ending 11-30-2016

Name of foundation
THE PLESS FOUNDATION

Number and street (or P O box number if mail is not delivered to street address)
6293 SOUTH BEARDSLEE DRIVE

City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code
TUCSON, AZ 85746

Room/suite

City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code
TUCSON, AZ 85746

A Employer identification number
86-1048021

B Telephone number (see instructions)
(602) 776-6300

C If exemption application is pending, check here

D 1. Foreign organizations, check here

2. Foreign organizations meeting the 85% test, check here and attach computation

E If private foundation status was terminated under section 507(b)(1)(A), check here

F If the foundation is in a 60-month termination under section 507(b)(1)(B), check here

G Check all that apply

Initial return

Initial return of a former public charity

Final return

Amended return

Address change

Name change

H Check type of organization

Section 501(c)(3) exempt private foundation

Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust

Other taxable private foundation

I Fair market value of all assets at end of year (from Part II, col (c), line 16)

J Accounting method

Cash

Accrual

Other (specify)

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) (see instructions))

Revenue

Operating and Administrative Expenses

Revenue and expenses per books

Net investment income

Adjusted net income

Disbursements for charitable purposes

(a)

(b)

(c)

(d) (cash basis only)

1

Contributions, gifts, grants, etc , received (attach schedule)

2

Check if the foundation is not required to attach Sch B

3

Interest on savings and temporary cash investments

4

Dividends and interest from securities

106,692

106,692

106,692

5a

Gross rents

b

Net rental income or (loss)

6a

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

-1,365

b

Gross sales price for all assets on line 6a

83,114

7

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

803

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) (attach schedule)

11

Other income (attach schedule)

12

Total.Add lines 1 through 11

105,327

107,495

106,692

13

Compensation of officers, directors, trustees, etc

14

Other employee salaries and wages

15

Pension plans, employee benefits

16a

Legal fees (attach schedule).

638

638

b

Accounting fees (attach schedule).

5,180

5,180

c

Other professional fees (attach schedule)

17

Interest

18

Taxes (attach schedule) (see instructions)

1,516

1,516

19

Depreciation (attach schedule) and depletion

20

Occupancy

21

Travel, conferences, and meetings.

22

Printing and publications

23

Other expenses (attach schedule).

45,757

45,672

24

Total operating and administrative expenses.

25

Add lines 13 through 23

53,091

53,006

0

26

Contributions, gifts, grants paid

141,000

141,000

27

Total expenses and disbursements.Add lines 24 and 25

194,091

53,006

141,000

28

Subtract line 26 from line 12

a

Excess of revenue over expenses and disbursements

-88,764

b

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

54,489

c

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

106,692

For Paperwork Reduction Act Notice, see instructions.

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Part II Balance Sheets Attached schedules and amounts in the description column should be for end-of-year amounts only (See instructions.)		Beginning of year	End of year	
		(a) Book Value	(b) Book Value	(c) Fair Market Value
Assets	1 Cash—non-interest-bearing		-1	
	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 (attach schedule) (see instructions).			
	7 Other notes and loans receivable (attach schedule) ▶ _____ Less allowance for doubtful accounts ▶ _____			
	8 Inventories for sale or use			
	9 Prepaid expenses and deferred charges			
	10a Investments—U S and state government obligations (attach schedule)			
	b Investments—corporate stock (attach schedule)			
	c Investments—corporate bonds (attach schedule)			
	11 Investments—land, buildings, and equipment basis ▶ _____ Less accumulated depreciation (attach schedule) ▶ _____			
	12 Investments—mortgage loans			
	13 Investments—other (attach schedule)	2,470,660	2,377,067	2,516,696
	14 Land, buildings, and equipment basis ▶ _____ Less accumulated depreciation (attach schedule) ▶ _____			
15 Other assets (describe ▶ _____)	17,164	994		
16 Total assets (to be completed by all filers—see the instructions Also, see page 1, item I)	2,487,824	2,378,060	2,516,696	
Liabilities	17 Accounts payable and accrued expenses			
	18 Grants payable			
	19 Deferred revenue			
	20 Loans from officers, directors, trustees, and other disqualified persons			
	21 Mortgages and other notes payable (attach schedule).			
	22 Other liabilities (describe ▶ _____)			
	23 Total liabilities (add lines 17 through 22)		0	
Net Assets or Fund Balances	Foundations that follow SFAS 117, check here ▶ ☒ and complete lines 24 through 26 and lines 30 and 31.			
	24 Unrestricted	2,487,824	2,378,060	
	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 (see instructions)	2,487,824	2,378,060	
	31 Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances (see instructions)	2,487,824	2,378,060	

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	2,487,824
2	Enter amount from Part I, line 27a	2	-88,764
3	Other increases not included in line 2 (itemize) ▶ _____	3	
4	Add lines 1, 2, and 3	4	2,399,060
5	Decreases not included in line 2 (itemize) ▶ _____	5	21,000
6	Total net assets or fund balances at end of year (line 4 minus line 5)—Part II, column (b), line 30	6	2,378,060

Part IV Capital Gains and Losses for Tax on Investment Income

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

(e) Gross sales price	Depreciation allowed (f) (or allowable)	Cost or other basis (g) plus expense of sale	Gain or (loss) (h) (e) plus (f) minus (g)
a			
b			
c			
d			
e			

Complete only for assets showing gain in column (h) and owned by the foundation on 12/31/69			Gains (Col (h) gain minus col (k), but not less than -0-) or (l) Losses (from col (h))
(i) F M V as of 12/31/69	Adjusted basis (j) as of 12/31/69	Excess of col (i) (k) over col (j), if any	
a			
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	803
3	Net short-term capital gain or (loss) as defined in sections 1222(5) and (6) If gain, also enter in Part I, line 8, column (c) (see instructions) If (loss), enter -0- in Part I, line 8		3	

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

(For optional use by domestic private foundations subject to the section 4940(a) tax on net investment income)
If section 4940(d)(2) applies, leave this part blank

Was the foundation liable for the section 4942 tax on the distributable amount of any year in the base period? ☐ Yes ☒ No
If "Yes," the foundation does not qualify under section 4940(e) Do not complete this part

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

(a) Base period years Calendar year (or tax year beginning in)	(b) Adjusted qualifying distributions	(c) Net value of noncharitable-use assets	(d) Distribution ratio (col (b) divided by col (c))
2014	145,000	2,602,055	0 055725
2013	26,000	569,538	0 045651
2012	22,000	270,864	0 081222
2011	12,000	265,798	0 045147
2010	10,000	274,761	0 036395

2	Total of line 1, column (d).	2	0 264140
3	Average distribution ratio for the 5-year base period—divide the total on line 2 by 5, or by the number of years the foundation has been in existence if less than 5 years	3	0 052828
4	Enter the net value of noncharitable-use assets for 2015 from Part X, line 5.	4	2,564,802
5	Multiply line 4 by line 3.	5	135,493
6	Enter 1% of net investment income (1% of Part I, line 27b).	6	545
7	Add lines 5 and 6.	7	136,038
8	Enter qualifying distributions from Part XII, line 4.	8	141,000

If line 8 is equal to or greater than line 7, check the box in Part VI, line 1b, and complete that part using a 1% tax rate See
the Part VI instructions

Part VI

Excise Tax Based on Investment Income (Section 4940(a), 4940(b), 4940(e), or 4948—see page 18 of the instructions)

1a

Exempt operating foundations described in section 4940(d)(2), check here ☐ and enter "N/A" on line 1
Date of ruling or determination letter _____
(attach copy of letter if necessary—see instructions)

2

Tax under section 511 (domestic section 4947(a)(1) trusts and taxable foundations only Others enter -0-)

3

Add lines 1 and 2.

4

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

5

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

6

Credits/Payments

a

2015 estimated tax payments and 2014 overpayment credited to 2015

6a

994

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

994

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

449

11

Enter the amount of line 10 to be Credited to 2015 estimated tax 449 Refunded

11

1

545

2

3

545

4

5

545

6a

994

6b

6c

6d

7

994

8

9

10

449

11

Part VII-A

Statements Regarding Activities

1a

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

1a

No

b

Did it spend more than \$100 during the year (either directly or indirectly) for political purposes (see Instructions for definition)?

1b

No

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

c

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

1c

No

d

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

e

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

2

Has the foundation engaged in any activities that have not previously been reported to the IRS?

2

No

If "Yes," attach a detailed description of the activities

3

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

3

No

4a

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

4a

No

b

If "Yes," has it filed a tax return on Form 990-T for this year?

4b

5

Was there a liquidation, termination, dissolution, or substantial contraction during the year?

5

No

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

6

Are the requirements of section 508(e) (relating to sections 4941 through 4945) satisfied either
• By language in the governing instrument, or
• By state legislation that effectively amends the governing instrument so that no mandatory directions that conflict with the state law remain in the governing instrument?

6

Yes

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

7

Yes

8a

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

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

8b

Yes

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

9

No

10

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

10

No

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Part VII-A Statements Regarding Activities (continued)

11	At any time during the year, did the foundation, directly or indirectly, own a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? If "Yes," attach schedule (see instructions).	11		No
12	Did the foundation make a distribution to a donor advised fund over which the foundation or a disqualified person had advisory privileges? If "Yes," attach statement (see instructions)	12		No
13	Did the foundation comply with the public inspection requirements for its annual returns and exemption application? Website address ► <u>NONE</u>	13	Yes	
14	The books are in care of ► <u>JULIE JO PLESS</u> Telephone no ► <u>(520) 730-4383</u> Located at ► <u>6293 S BEARDSLEE DR TUCSON AZ</u> ZIP+4 ► <u>85746</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 ► 15			
16	At any time during calendar year 2015, did the foundation have an interest in or a signature or other authority over a bank, securities, or other financial account in a foreign country?	16	Yes	No
See instructions for exceptions and filing requirements for FinCEN Form 114, Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts (FBAR) If "Yes", enter the name of the foreign country ►				

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)? 1b		
	Organizations relying on a current notice regarding disaster assistance check here. ► ☐		
c	Did the foundation engage in a prior year in any of the acts described in 1a, other than excepted acts, that were not corrected before the first day of the tax year beginning in 2015? 1c		
2	Taxes on failure to distribute income (section 4942) (does not apply for years the foundation was a private operating foundation defined in section 4942(j)(3) or 4942(j)(5))		
a	At the end of tax year 2015, did the foundation have any undistributed income (lines 6d and 6e, Part XIII) for tax year(s) beginning before 2015? ☐ Yes ☒ No If "Yes," list the years ► 20____, 20____, 20____, 20____		
b	Are there any years listed in 2a for which the foundation is not applying the provisions of section 4942(a)(2) (relating to incorrect valuation of assets) to the year's undistributed income? (If applying section 4942(a)(2) to all years listed, answer "No" and attach statement—see instructions). 2b		
c	If the provisions of section 4942(a)(2) are being applied to any of the years listed in 2a, list the years here ► 20____, 20____, 20____, 20____		
3a	Did the foundation hold more than a 2% direct or indirect interest in any business enterprise at any time during the year? ☐ Yes ☒ No		
b	If "Yes," did it have excess business holdings in 2015 as a result of (1) any purchase by the foundation or disqualified persons after May 26, 1969, (2) the lapse of the 5-year period (or longer period approved by the Commissioner under section 4943(c)(7)) to dispose of holdings acquired by gift or bequest, or (3) the lapse of the 10-, 15-, or 20-year first phase holding period? (<i>Use Schedule C, Form 4720, to determine if the foundation had excess business holdings in 2015</i>). 3b		
4a	Did the foundation invest during the year any amount in a manner that would jeopardize its charitable purposes?	4a	No
b	Did the foundation make any investment in a prior year (but after December 31, 1969) that could jeopardize its charitable purpose that had not been removed from jeopardy before the first day of the tax year beginning in 2015?	4b	No

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

5a During the year did the foundation pay or incur any amount to (1) Carry on propaganda, or otherwise attempt to influence legislation (section 4945(e))? ☐ Yes ☒ No (2) Influence the outcome of any specific public election (see section 4955), or to carry on, directly or indirectly, any voter registration drive? ☐ Yes ☒ No (3) Provide a grant to an individual for travel, study, or other similar purposes? ☐ Yes ☒ No (4) Provide a grant to an organization other than a charitable, etc., organization described in section 4945(d)(4)(A)? (see instructions). ☐ Yes ☒ No (5) Provide for any purpose other than religious, charitable, scientific, literary, or educational purposes, or for the prevention of cruelty to children or animals? ☐ Yes ☒ No			
b If any answer is "Yes" to 5a(1)–(5), did any of the transactions fail to qualify under the exceptions described in Regulations section 53.4945 or in a current notice regarding disaster assistance (see instructions)? 5b Organizations relying on a current notice regarding disaster assistance check here. ▶			
c If the answer is "Yes" to question 5a(4), does the foundation claim exemption from the tax because it maintained expenditure responsibility for the grant? ☐ Yes ☐ No <i>If "Yes," attach the statement required by Regulations section 53.4945–5(d)</i>			
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 <i>If "Yes" to 6b, file Form 8870</i>			No
7a At any time during the tax year, was the foundation a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction? ☐ Yes ☒ No			
b If yes, did the foundation receive any proceeds or have any net income attributable to the transaction? 7b			

Part VIII Information About Officers, Directors, Trustees, Foundation Managers, Highly Paid Employees, and Contractors**1 List all officers, directors, trustees, foundation managers and their compensation (see instructions).**

(a) Name and address	Title, and average hours per week (b) devoted to position	(c) Compensation (If not paid, enter -0-)	(d) Contributions to employee benefit plans and deferred compensation	Expense account, (e) other allowances
JANE PLESS DALRYMPLE 4467 CASTLEROCK DR BLAINE, WA 98230	DIRECTOR 2 00	0	0	0
JULIE PLESS 6293 BEARDSLEE DRIVE TUCSON, AZ 85719	PRESIDENT 2 00	0	0	0
JERRY BERNARD 5300 N CENTRAL AVENUE S-200 PHOENIX, AZ 85012	DIRECTOR 2 00	0	0	0

2 Compensation of five highest-paid employees (other than those included on line 1—see instructions). If none, enter "NONE."

(a) Name and address of each employee paid more than \$50,000	Title, and average hours per week (b) devoted to position	(c) Compensation	Contributions to employee benefit plans and deferred compensation (d)	Expense account, (e) other allowances
NONE				

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

Part VIII

Information About Officers, Directors, Trustees, Foundation Managers, Highly Paid Employees, and Contractors *(continued)*

3 Five highest-paid independent contractors for professional services (see instructions). 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. ▶

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	
2	
3	
4	

Part IX-B

Summary of Program-Related Investments (see instructions)

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

Total. Add lines 1 through 3 ▶

Part X Minimum Investment Return

(All domestic foundations must complete this part. Foreign foundations, see instructions.)

1	Fair market value of assets not used (or held for use) directly in carrying out charitable, etc , purposes		
a	Average monthly fair market value of securities.	1a	2,535,945
b	Average of monthly cash balances.	1b	67,915
c	Fair market value of all other assets (see instructions).	1c	0
d	Total (add lines 1a, b, and c).	1d	2,603,860
e	Reduction claimed for blockage or other factors reported on lines 1a and 1c (attach detailed explanation).	1e	
2	Acquisition indebtedness applicable to line 1 assets.	2	
3	Subtract line 2 from line 1d.	3	2,603,860
4	Cash deemed held for charitable activities Enter 1 1/2% of line 3 (for greater amount, see instructions).	4	39,058
5	Net value of noncharitable-use assets. Subtract line 4 from line 3 Enter here and on Part V, line 4	5	2,564,802
6	Minimum investment return. Enter 5% of line 5.	6	128,240

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	128,240
2a	Tax on investment income for 2015 from Part VI, line 5.	2a	545
b	Income tax for 2015 (This does not include the tax from Part VI).	2b	
c	Add lines 2a and 2b.	2c	545
3	Distributable amount before adjustments Subtract line 2c from line 1.	3	127,695
4	Recoveries of amounts treated as qualifying distributions.	4	
5	Add lines 3 and 4.	5	127,695
6	Deduction from distributable amount (see instructions).	6	
7	Distributable amount as adjusted Subtract line 6 from line 5 Enter here and on Part XIII, line 1.	7	127,695

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	141,000
b	Program-related investments—total from Part IX-B.	1b	
2	Amounts paid to acquire assets used (or held for use) directly in carrying out charitable, etc , purposes.	2	
3	Amounts set aside for specific charitable projects that satisfy the		
a	Suitability test (prior IRS approval required).	3a	
b	Cash distribution test (attach the required schedule).	3b	
4	Qualifying distributions. Add lines 1a through 3b Enter here and on Part V, line 8, and Part XIII, line 4	4	141,000
5	Foundations that qualify under section 4940(e) for the reduced rate of tax on net investment income Enter 1% of Part I, line 27b (see instructions).	5	545
6	Adjusted qualifying distributions. Subtract line 5 from line 4.	6	140,455

Note: The amount on line 6 will be used in Part V, column (b), in subsequent years when calculating whether the foundation qualifies for the section 4940(e) reduction of tax in those years

Part XIII

Undistributed Income (see instructions)

	(a) Corpus	(b) Years prior to 2014	(c) 2014	(d) 2015
1 Distributable amount for 2015 from Part XI, line 7				127,695
2 Undistributed income, if any, as of the end of 2015				
a Enter amount for 2014 only.				
b Total for prior years 20____, 20____, 20____				
3 Excess distributions carryover, if any, to 2015				
a From 2010.				
b From 2011.				
c From 2012.			8,461	
d From 2013.			359	
e From 2014.			15,403	
f Total of lines 3a through e.	24,223			
4 Qualifying distributions for 2015 from Part XII, line 4 ► \$ 141,000				
a Applied to 2014, but not more than line 2a				
b Applied to undistributed income of prior years (Election required—see instructions).				
c Treated as distributions out of corpus (Election required—see instructions).				
d Applied to 2015 distributable amount.				127,695
e Remaining amount distributed out of corpus	13,305			
5 Excess distributions carryover applied to 2015 (If an amount appears in column (d), the same amount must be shown in column (a))				
6 Enter the net total of each column as indicated below:				
a Corpus Add lines 3f, 4c, and 4e Subtract line 5	37,528			
b Prior years' undistributed income Subtract line 4b from line 2b.				
c Enter the amount of prior years' undistributed income for which a notice of deficiency has been issued, or on which the section 4942(a) tax has been previously assessed.				
d Subtract line 6c from line 6b Taxable amount—see instructions				
e Undistributed income for 2014 Subtract line 4a from line 2a Taxable amount—see instructions				
f Undistributed income for 2016 Subtract lines 4d and 5 from line 1 This amount must be distributed in 2015				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).				
8 Excess distributions carryover from 2010 not applied on line 5 or line 7 (see instructions). . .				
9 Excess distributions carryover to 2016. Subtract lines 7 and 8 from line 6a	37,528			
10 Analysis of line 9				
a Excess from 2011. . . .				
b Excess from 2012. . . .			8,461	
c Excess from 2013. . . .			359	
d Excess from 2014. . . .			15,403	
e Excess from 2015. . . .			13,305	

Part XIV

Private Operating Foundations (see instructions and Part VII-A, question 9)

1a

If the foundation has received a ruling or determination letter that it is a private operating foundation, and the ruling is effective for 2015, enter the date of the ruling.

b

Check box to indicate whether the organization is a private operating foundation described in section ☐ 4942(j)(3) or ☐ 4942(j)(5)

2a

Enter the lesser of the adjusted net income from Part I or the minimum investment return from Part X for each year listed

Tax year	Prior 3 years			(e) Total
(a) 2015	(b) 2014	(c) 2013	(d) 2012	
b 85% of line 2a				
c Qualifying distributions from Part XII, line 4 for each year listed				
d Amounts included in line 2c not used directly for active conduct of exempt activities				
e Qualifying distributions made directly for active conduct of exempt activities. Subtract line 2d from line 2c				

3

Complete 3a, b, or c for the alternative test relied upon

a

"Assets" alternative test—enter

(1)

Value of all assets

(2)

Value of assets qualifying under section 4942(j)(3)(B)(i)

b

"Endowment" alternative test— enter 2/3 of minimum investment return shown in Part X, line 6 for each year listed.

c

"Support" alternative test—enter

(1)

Total support other than gross investment income (interest, dividends, rents, payments on securities loans (section 512(a)(5)), or royalties)

(2)

Support from general public and 5 or more exempt organizations as provided in section 4942(j)(3)(B)(iii).

(3)

Largest amount of support from an exempt organization

(4)

Gross investment income

Part XV

Supplementary Information (Complete this part only if the organization had \$5,000 or more in assets at any time during the year—see instructions.)

1

Information Regarding Foundation Managers:

a

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

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

JULIE JO PLESS
6293 SOUTH BEARDSLEE DRIVE
TUCSON, AZ 85746
(520) 908-9039

b

The form in which applications should be submitted and information and materials they should include

LETTER APPLICATION WITH COPY OF IRS DETERMINATION LETTER, AND A DESCRIPTION OF THE NEED AND/OR USE OF FUNDS

c

Any submission deadlines

AUGUST 30 FOR NOVEMBER 30 FISCAL YEAR

d

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

NONE

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Part XV

Supplementary Information(continued)

3 Grants and Contributions Paid During the Year or Approved for Future Payment

Recipient	If recipient is an individual, show any relationship to any foundation manager or substantial contributor	Foundation status of recipient	Purpose of grant or contribution	Amount
Name and address (home or business)				
a Paid during the year See Additional Data Table				
Total			3a	141,000
b Approved for future payment				
Total			3b	

Enter gross amounts unless otherwise indicated

Part XVI-B Relationship of Activities to the Accomplishment of Exempt Purposes

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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?

(1) Cash.	
(2) Other assets.	

- (1) Sales of assets to a noncharitable exempt organization.
- (2) Purchases of assets from a noncharitable exempt organization.
- (3) Rental of facilities, equipment, or other assets.
- (4) Reimbursement arrangements.
- (5) Loans or loan guarantees.
- (6) Performance of services or membership or fundraising solicitations.

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

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

(a) Name of organization	(b) Type of organization	(c) Description of relationship
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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.		
	*****	2017-02-22	*****
	Signature of officer or trustee	Date	Title

May the IRS discuss this return with the preparer shown below
 (see instr.)? ☒ **Yes** ☐ **No**

Print/Type preparer's name SCOTT A MITCHEM CPA CVA CFE	Preparer's Signature	Date 2017-04-05	Check if self-employed ☐	PTIN P01002714
Firm's name ☐ PRICE KONG & CO CPA PA			Firm's EIN ☐ 86-0611246	
Firm's address ☐ 5300 N CENTRAL AVE 200 PHOENIX, AZ 850121410			Phone no. ☐ (602) 776-6300	

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Recipient	If recipient is an individual, show any relationship to any foundation manager or substantial contributor	Foundation status of recipient	Purpose of grant or contribution	Amount
Name and address (home or business)				
a Paid during the year				
CENTRAL ARIZONA DENTAL SOCIETY FOUN 5300 N CENTRAL AVE 200 PHOENIX,AZ 85012	NONE		GENERAL FUND	20,000
OSBORN SCHOOL DISTRICT 1226 W OSBORN ROAD PHOENIX,AZ 85013	NONE		GENERAL FUND	10,000
FUTURE FOR KIDS 1425 W SOUTHERN AVE 10A TEMPE,AZ 85282	NONE		GENERAL FUND	2,500
ONE SMALL STEP 1100 N ALMA SCHOOL RD 9 CHANDLER,AZ 85224	NONE		GENERAL FUND	2,500
SUCCESS4KIDS 24 W CAMELBACK RD S-536 PHOENIX,AZ 85013	NONE		GENERAL FUND	5,000
NORTHERN VIRGINIA THERAPEUTIC RIDING PROGRAM 6429 CLIFTON RD CLIFTON,VA 20124	NONE		GENERAL FUND	25,000
ANIMALS AS NATURAL THERAPY 721 VAN WYCK RD BELLINGHAM,WA 98226	NONE		GENERAL FUND	7,000
BLUE SKIES FOR CHILDREN 2505 CEDARWOOD AVE 5 BELLINGHAM,WA 98225	NONE		GENERAL FUND	7,000
HOME PORT LEARNING CENTER 707 ASTOR ST BELLINGHAM,WA 98225	NONE		GENERAL FUND	7,000
TU NIDITO 3922 N MOUNTAIN AVE TUCSON,AZ 85719	NONE		GENERAL FUND	30,000
AZCHESS4CHARITY 4336 E MOUNTAIN VIEW RD PHOENIX,AZ 85028	NONE		GENERAL FUND	2,500
GRAYS HARBOR YOUTH WORKS PO BOX 1786 OCEAN SHORES,WA 98569	NONE		GENERAL FUND	5,000
FATHER'S RANCH MNISTRIES 1621B WA-20 TONASKET,WA 98855	NONE		GENERAL FUND	12,500
SEEDLINGS BRAILLE BOOKS FOR CHILDREN PO BOX 51924 LIVONIA,MI 481515924	NONE		GENERAL FUND	5,000
Total ▶ 3a				141,000

TY 2015 Accounting Fees Schedule**Name:** THE PLESS FOUNDATION**EIN:** 86-1048021

Category	Amount	Net Investment Income	Adjusted Net Income	Disbursements for Charitable Purposes
TAX PREPARATION FEES	5,180	5,180		

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TY 2015 Gain/Loss from Sale of Other Assets Schedule

Name: THE PLESS FOUNDATION

EIN: 86-1048021

Name	Date Acquired	How Acquired	Date Sold	Purchaser Name	Gross Sales Price	Basis	Basis Method	Sales Expenses	Total (net)	Accumulated Depreciation
ST STOCK SALES		PURCHASE			8,687	6,600			2,087	
LT STOCK SALES		PURCHASE			73,624	77,879			-4,255	

TY 2015 Investments - Other Schedule**Name:** THE PLESS FOUNDATION**EIN:** 86-1048021

Category/ Item	Listed at Cost or FMV	Book Value	End of Year Fair Market Value
	AT COST	2,377,067	2,516,696

TY 2015 Legal Fees Schedule**Name:** THE PLESS FOUNDATION**EIN:** 86-1048021

Category	Amount	Net Investment Income	Adjusted Net Income	Disbursements for Charitable Purposes
LEGAL FEES	638	638		

TY 2015 Other Assets Schedule**Name:** THE PLESS FOUNDATION**EIN:** 86-1048021

Description	Beginning of Year - Book Value	End of Year - Book Value	End of Year - Fair Market Value
IRS REFUND	17,164	994	

TY 2015 Other Decreases Schedule**Name:** THE PLESS FOUNDATION**EIN:** 86-1048021

Description	Amount
BASIS ADJUSTMENTS FROM PRIOR PERIODS	21,000

TY 2015 Other Expenses Schedule**Name:** THE PLESS FOUNDATION**EIN:** 86-1048021

Description	Revenue and Expenses per Books	Net Investment Income	Adjusted Net Income	Disbursements for Charitable Purposes
EXPENSES				
INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT FEES	45,618	45,618		
ADR FEES	54	54		
PENALTIES	85			

TY 2015 Taxes Schedule

Name: THE PLESS FOUNDATION

EIN: 86-1048021

Category	Amount	Net Investment Income	Adjusted Net Income	Disbursements for Charitable Purposes
FOREIGN TAX PAID	1,010	1,010		
FEDERAL TAX	506	506		