

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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2016**Open to Public
Inspection****For calendar year 2016, or tax year beginning 01-01-2016 , and ending 12-31-2016**

Name of foundation Merrill & Patricia Kirsch Charitable Foundation	A Employer identification number 20-8105609			
	B Telephone number (see instructions) (612) 207-4226			
Number and street (or P O box number if mail is not delivered to street address) 8280 Hwy 5				
Room/suite				
City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code Waconia, MN 55387				
G Check all that apply <input type="checkbox"/> Initial return <input type="checkbox"/> Initial return of a former public charity <input type="checkbox"/> Final return <input type="checkbox"/> Amended return <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Address change <input type="checkbox"/> Name change				
H Check type of organization <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Section 501(c)(3) exempt private foundation <input type="checkbox"/> Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust <input type="checkbox"/> Other taxable private foundation				
I Fair market value of all assets at end of year (from Part II, col (c), line 16) ► \$ 578,826		J Accounting method <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Cash <input type="checkbox"/> Accrual <input type="checkbox"/> 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	(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 (attach schedule)	527,112			
2 Check ► <input type="checkbox"/> if the foundation is not required to attach Sch B				
3 Interest on savings and temporary cash investments				
4 Dividends and interest from securities	3,183	3,183		
5a Gross rents				
b Net rental income or (loss)				
6a Net gain or (loss) from sale of assets not on line 10	-1,343			
b Gross sales price for all assets on line 6a	33,355			
7 Capital gain net income (from Part IV, line 2)		0		
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	528,952	3,183		
Operating and Administrative Expenses				
13 Compensation of officers, directors, trustees, etc	0	0		0
14 Other employee salaries and wages				
15 Pension plans, employee benefits				
16a Legal fees (attach schedule)	739	0		739
b Accounting fees (attach schedule)				
c Other professional fees (attach schedule)				
17 Interest				
18 Taxes (attach schedule) (see instructions)				
19 Depreciation (attach schedule) and depletion				
20 Occupancy				
21 Travel, conferences, and meetings				
22 Printing and publications				
23 Other expenses (attach schedule)	712	687		25
24 Total operating and administrative expenses.				
Add lines 13 through 23	1,451	687		764
25 Contributions, gifts, grants paid	2,000			2,000
26 Total expenses and disbursements. Add lines 24 and 25	3,451	687		2,764
27 Subtract line 26 from line 12				
a Excess of revenue over expenses and disbursements	525,501			
b Net investment income (if negative, enter -0-)		2,496		
c Adjusted net income (if negative, enter -0-)				

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				
	2	Savings and temporary cash investments		11,680	11,680	
	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)	51,565	565,386	567,146		
14	Land, buildings, and equipment basis ►					
	Less accumulated depreciation (attach schedule) ►					
15	Other assets (describe ► _____)					
16	Total assets (to be completed by all filers—see the instructions Also, see page 1, item I)	51,565	577,066	578,826		
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 ► _____)	0	0		
	23	Total liabilities (add lines 17 through 22)	0	0		
Net Assets or Fund Balances	Foundations that follow SFAS 117, check here ► <input type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 24 through 26 and lines 30 and 31.					
	24	Unrestricted				
	25	Temporarily restricted				
	26	Permanently restricted				
	Foundations that do not follow SFAS 117, check here ► <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 27 through 31.					
	27	Capital stock, trust principal, or current funds	51,565	577,066		
	28	Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, bldg , and equipment fund	0	0		
	29	Retained earnings, accumulated income, endowment, or other funds	0	0		
	30	Total net assets or fund balances (see instructions)	51,565	577,066		
	31	Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances (see instructions)	51,565	577,066		

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	51,565
2	Enter amount from Part I, line 27a	2	525,501
3	Other increases not included in line 2 (itemize) ►	3	0
4	Add lines 1, 2, and 3	4	577,066
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	577,066

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 See Additional Data Table					
b					
c					
d					
e					
(e) Gross sales price	(f) Depreciation allowed (or allowable)	(g) Cost or other basis plus expense of sale	(h) Gain or (loss) (e) plus (f) minus (g)		
a See Additional Data Table					
b					
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 See Additional Data Table					
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	-1,343	
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					

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))
2015	2,883	54,657	0 052747
2014	2,372	57,855	0 040999
2013	1,939	54,217	0 035764
2012	2,908	49,118	0 059204
2011	1,694	46,737	0 036245
2 Total of line 1, column (d)			2 0 224959
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 044992
4 Enter the net value of noncharitable-use assets for 2016 from Part X, line 5			4 73,521
5 Multiply line 4 by line 3			5 3,308
6 Enter 1% of net investment income (1% of Part I, line 27b)			6 25
7 Add lines 5 and 6			7 3,333
8 Enter qualifying distributions from Part XIII, line 4			8 2,764

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 ► <input type="checkbox"/> and enter "N/A" on line 1 Date of ruling or determination letter _____ (attach copy of letter if necessary—see instructions)	1	50
b	Domestic foundations that meet the section 4940(e) requirements in Part V, check here ► <input type="checkbox"/> and enter 1% of Part I, line 27b		
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	50
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	50
6	Credits/Payments		
a	2016 estimated tax payments and 2015 overpayment credited to 2016	6a	
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	0
8	Enter any penalty for underpayment of estimated tax Check here <input type="checkbox"/> 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	50
10	Overpayment. If line 7 is more than the total of lines 5 and 8, enter the amount overpaid ►	10	
11	Enter the amount of line 10 to be Credited to 2017 estimated tax ►	Refunded	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	Yes	No
b	Did it spend more than \$100 during the year (either directly or indirectly) for political purposes (see Instructions for definition)?	1b	Yes	No
<i>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</i>				
c	Did the foundation file Form 1120-POL for this year?	1c	Yes	No
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? <i>If "Yes," attach a detailed description of the activities</i>	2	Yes	No
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? <i>If "Yes," attach a conformed copy of the changes</i>	3	Yes	No
4a	Did the foundation have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year?	4a	Yes	No
b	If "Yes," has it filed a tax return on Form 990-T for this year?	4b	Yes	No
5	Was there a liquidation, termination, dissolution, or substantial contraction during the year? <i>If "Yes," attach the statement required by General Instruction T</i>	5	Yes	No
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	No
7	Did the foundation have at least \$5,000 in assets at any time during the year? <i>If "Yes," complete Part II, col (c), and Part XV</i>	7	Yes	No
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? <i>If "No," attach explanation</i>	8b	Yes	No
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 2016 or the taxable year beginning in 2016 (see instructions for Part XIV)? <i>If "Yes," complete Part XIV</i>	9	Yes	No
10	Did any persons become substantial contributors during the tax year? <i>If "Yes," attach a schedule listing their names and addresses</i>	10	Yes	No

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 ►N/A	13	Yes
14 The books are in care of ►anthony A kirsch Telephone no ►(612) 207-4226			

Located at ►8280 Hwy 5 Waconia MN

ZIP+4 ►55387

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	<input type="checkbox"/>
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16	At any time during calendar year 2016, 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
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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.

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?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
	(2) Borrow money from, lend money to, or otherwise extend credit to (or accept it from) a disqualified person?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
	(3) Furnish goods, services, or facilities to (or accept them from) a disqualified person?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
	(4) Pay compensation to, or pay or reimburse the expenses of, a disqualified person?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 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)?.	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 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).	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 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.			1b
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 2016?			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 2016, did the foundation have any undistributed income (lines 6d and 6e, Part XIII) for tax year(s) beginning before 2016? If "Yes," list the years ► 20____, 20____, 20____, 20____	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
b	Are there any years listed in 2a for which the foundation is not applying the provisions of section 4942(a)(2) (relating to incorrect valuation of assets) to the year's undistributed income? (If applying section 4942(a)(2) to all years listed, answer "No" and attach statement—see instructions).			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?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
b	If "Yes," did it have excess business holdings in 2016 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 2016).			3b
4a	Did the foundation invest during the year any amount in a manner that would jeopardize its charitable purposes?			4a
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 2016?			4b

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))? (2) Influence the outcome of any specific public election (see section 4955), or to carry on, directly or indirectly, any voter registration drive? (3) Provide a grant to an individual for travel, study, or other similar purposes? (4) Provide a grant to an organization other than a charitable, etc , organization described in section 4945(d)(4)(A)? (see instructions). (5) Provide for any purpose other than religious, charitable, scientific, literary, or educational purposes, or for the prevention of cruelty to children or animals?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 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)? Organizations relying on a current notice regarding disaster assistance check here. ► <input type="checkbox"/>		5b
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? <i>If "Yes," attach the statement required by Regulations section 53.4945-5(d)</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
6a	Did the foundation, during the year, receive any funds, directly or indirectly, to pay premiums on a personal benefit contract?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
b	Did the foundation, during the year, pay premiums, directly or indirectly, on a personal benefit contract? <i>If "Yes" to 6b, file Form 8870</i>		6b No
7a	At any time during the tax year, was the foundation a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 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	(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, (e) other allowances
Patrick L Kirsch 8080 Scandia Road Waconia, MN 55387	President, Director 1 00	0	0	0
Anthony A Kirsch 8280 Highway 5 Waconia, MN 55387	Treasurer, Director 1 00	0	0	0
Catherine A Seck 1643 Oakpointe drive waconia, MN 55387	Secretary, Director 1 00	0	0	0

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

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. ► 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	
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	
2	
All other program-related investments. See instructions	
3	

Total. Add lines 1 through 3 ► 0

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	73,668
b	Average of monthly cash balances.	1b	973
c	Fair market value of all other assets (see instructions).	1c	0
d	Total (add lines 1a, b, and c).	1d	74,641
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	74,641
4	Cash deemed held for charitable activities Enter 1 1/2% of line 3 (for greater amount, see instructions).	4	1,120
5	Net value of noncharitable-use assets. Subtract line 4 from line 3 Enter here and on Part V, line 4	5	73,521
6	Minimum investment return. Enter 5% of line 5.	6	3,676

Distributable Amount (see instructions) (Section 4942(j)(3) and (j)(5) private operating foundations and certain foreign**Part XI** organizations check here ► and do not complete this part)

1	Minimum investment return from Part X, line 6.	1	3,676
2a	Tax on investment income for 2016 from Part VI, line 5.	2a	50
b	Income tax for 2016 (This does not include the tax from Part VI).	2b	
c	Add lines 2a and 2b.	2c	50
3	Distributable amount before adjustments Subtract line 2c from line 1.	3	3,626
4	Recoveries of amounts treated as qualifying distributions.	4	0
5	Add lines 3 and 4.	5	3,626
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	3,626

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	2,764
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	2,764
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	0
6	Adjusted qualifying distributions. Subtract line 5 from line 4.	6	2,764
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 2015	(c) 2015	(d) 2016
1 Distributable amount for 2016 from Part XI, line 7				3,626
2 Undistributed income, if any, as of the end of 2016			1,935	
a Enter amount for 2015 only.		0		
b Total for prior years 20____, 20____, 20____				
3 Excess distributions carryover, if any, to 2016				
a From 2011.				
b From 2012.				
c From 2013.				
d From 2014.				
e From 2015.				
f Total of lines 3a through e.	0			
4 Qualifying distributions for 2016 from Part XII, line 4 ► \$ 2,764			1,935	
a Applied to 2015, but not more than line 2a				
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 2016 distributable amount.				829
e Remaining amount distributed out of corpus	0			
5 Excess distributions carryover applied to 2016 (If an amount appears in column (d), the same amount must be shown in column (a))	0			0
6 Enter the net total of each column as indicated below:				
a Corpus Add lines 3f, 4c, and 4e Subtract line 5	0			
b Prior years' undistributed income Subtract line 4b from line 2b.		0		
c Enter the amount of prior years' undistributed income for which a notice of deficiency has been issued, or on which the section 4942(a) tax has been previously assessed.			0	
d Subtract line 6c from line 6b Taxable amount—see instructions			0	
e Undistributed income for 2015 Subtract line 4a from line 2a Taxable amount—see instructions				0
f Undistributed income for 2016 Subtract lines 4d and 5 from line 1 This amount must be distributed in 2017.				2,797
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 2011 not applied on line 5 or line 7 (see instructions)	0			
9 Excess distributions carryover to 2017. Subtract lines 7 and 8 from line 6a.	0			
10 Analysis of line 9				
a Excess from 2012.				
b Excess from 2013.				
c Excess from 2014.				
d Excess from 2015.				
e Excess from 2016.				

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 2016, enter the date of the ruling. ►			
b	Check box to indicate whether the organization is a private operating foundation described in section <input type="checkbox"/> 4942(j)(3) or <input type="checkbox"/> 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.			
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 email address of the person to whom applications should be addressed

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

c Any submission deadlines

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

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

Recipient	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)				
<i>a Paid during the year</i> SHARING AND CARING HANDS 525 SOUTH SEVENTH STREET MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55405		PUBLIC charity	GENERAL CHARITABLE PURPOSES	1,000
monsignor hayden center archdiocese of st paul 328 W kellogg blvd st paul, MN 55102		public charity	general charitable purposes	1,000
Total			► 3a	2,000
<i>b Approved for future payment</i>				
Total			► 3b	0

Part XVI-A Analysis of Income-Producing Activities

Enter gross amounts unless otherwise indicated

	Unrelated business income		Excluded by section 512, 513, or 514		(e) Related or exempt function income (See instructions)
	(a) Business code	(b) Amount	(c) Exclusion code	(d) Amount	
1 Program service revenue					
a					
b					
c					
d					
e					
f					
g Fees and contracts from government agencies					
2 Membership dues and assessments.					
3 Interest on savings and temporary cash investments					
4 Dividends and interest from securities.					3,183
5 Net rental income or (loss) from real estate					
a Debt-financed property.					
b Not debt-financed property.					
6 Net rental income or (loss) from personal property					
7 Other investment income.					
8 Gain or (loss) from sales of assets other than inventory					-1,343
9 Net income or (loss) from special events					
10 Gross profit or (loss) from sales of inventory					
11 Other revenue a					
b					
c					
d					
e					
12 Subtotal Add columns (b), (d), and (e).		0		0	1,840
13 Total. Add line 12, columns (b), (d), and (e).					1,840

(See worksheet in line 13 instructions to verify calculations)

Form 990PF Part IV - Capital Gains and Losses for Tax on Investment Income - Columns a - d

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.)	(b) How acquired P—Purchase D—Donation	(c) Date acquired (mo., day, yr.)	(d) Date sold (mo., day, yr.)
2 32 shs first eagle		2011-07-29	2016-01-11
2 148 shs first eagle		2011-07-29	2016-04-08
2 102 shs first eagle		2011-07-29	2016-07-08
1 802 shs harris assco invt tr, oakmark		2016-06-26	2016-10-14
2 867 shs wells fargo absolute return		2015-12-29	2016-12-19
1,249 35 shs wells fargo absolute return		2012-12-05	2016-12-19
46 829 SHS IVY FDS ASSET STRATEGY		2015-12-11	2016-06-27
980 174 SHS IVY FDS ASSET STRATEGY		2011-07-29	2016-06-27
Capital Gains Dividends	P		

Form 990PF Part IV - Capital Gains and Losses for Tax on Investment Income - Columns e - h

(e) Gross sales price	Depreciation allowed (or allowable)	Cost or other basis (g) plus expense of sale	Gain or (loss) (h) (e) plus (f) minus (g)
115		114	1
114		105	9
117		103	14
123		108	15
30		29	1
13,031		12,796	235
975		1,054	-79
17,510		20,389	-2,879
1,340			1,340

Form 990PF Part IV - Capital Gains and Losses for Tax on Investment Income - Columns i - l

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 Losses (from col (h))
(i) FMV as of 12/31/69	Adjusted basis (j) as of 12/31/69	Excess of col (i) (k) over col (j), if any	
			1
			9
			14
			15
			1
			235
			-79
			-2,879
			1,340

TY 2016 Investments - Other Schedule

Name: Merrill & Patricia Kirsch Charitable Foundation
EIN: 20-8105609

Category/ Item	Listed at Cost or FMV	Book Value	End of Year Fair Market Value
	AT COST	29,041	28,866
advisors ser trust pia high yield fund instl cl	AT COST	17,417	17,417
brookfield invt funds global listed real estate fd cl y	AT COST	28,741	28,214
Deutsche Secs Tr Enhanced commodity strat fd	AT COST	11,012	11,144
first eagle funds class i	AT COST	19,406	21,867
harris assoc invetment trust oakmark fund class i	AT COST	52,452	55,464
hartford mut fds ll growth opportunities fund class i	AT COST	38,333	37,734
Ishares Core MSCI EAFE ETF	AT COST	16,964	16,840
ishares core s&p et s&P 500 index funds	AT COST	123,894	122,170
Ishares core S&P midcap etf	AT COST	18,413	18,187
ishares core S&p small cap	AT COST	32,196	31,905
ishares core u.s. aggregate bond	AT COST	52,865	53,166
Ivy Fds Asset Strate	AT COST	0	0
kinetics mut fds in cmall cap oportunities fd instl cl	AT COST	23,405	23,331
oppenheimer intl grwh fd cl y	AT COST	10,583	10,716
smallcap world fd in cl f2	AT COST	23,499	23,344
templeton income tr global bd fd advisor cl	AT COST	18,143	18,113
undiscovered managers behavioral value class i	AT COST	24,721	24,153
van eck funds ermerging markets fund class y	AT COST	24,301	24,515
wf absolute return fd	AT COST	0	0

TY 2016 Legal Fees Schedule

Name: Merrill & Patricia Kirsch Charitable Foundation

EIN: 20-8105609

Category	Amount	Net Investment Income	Adjusted Net Income	Disbursements for Charitable Purposes
Moss & Barnett	739	0		739

TY 2016 Other Expenses Schedule

Name: Merrill & Patricia Kirsch Charitable Foundation
EIN: 20-8105609

Other Expenses Schedule

Description	Revenue and Expenses per Books	Net Investment Income	Adjusted Net Income	Disbursements for Charitable Purposes
State of Minnesota	25	0		25
WELLS FARGO FEES	687	687		0

TY 2016 Substantial Contributors

Schedule

Name: Merrill & Patricia Kirsch Charitable Foundation

EIN: 20-8105609

Name	Address
Estate of Patricia A Kirsch	8080 scandia road waconia, MN 55387

Schedule B
(Form 990, 990-EZ,
or 990-PF)Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service**Schedule of Contributors**

OMB No 1545-0047

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

2016**Name of the organization**
Merrill & Patricia Kirsch Charitable Foundation**Employer identification number**
20-8105609**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

Form 990-PF

527 political organization
 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 other 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 33¹ 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 990PF, Part I, line 2, to certify that it does not meet the filing requirements of Schedule B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF)

Name of organization Merrill & Patricia Kirsch Charitable Foundation		Employer identification number 20-8105609	
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	estate of patricia kirsch	\$ 526,348	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	8080 scandia road		Payroll <input type="checkbox"/>
	waconia, MN 55387		Noncash <input type="checkbox"/>
			(Complete Part II for noncash contributions)
(a) No.	(b) Name, address, and ZIP + 4	(c) Total contributions	(d) Type of contribution
		\$ _____	Person <input type="checkbox"/>
			Payroll <input type="checkbox"/>
			Noncash <input type="checkbox"/>
			(Complete Part II for noncash contributions)
(a) No.	(b) Name, address, and ZIP + 4	(c) Total contributions	(d) Type of contribution
		\$ _____	Person <input type="checkbox"/>
			Payroll <input type="checkbox"/>
			Noncash <input type="checkbox"/>
			(Complete Part II for noncash contributions)
(a) No.	(b) Name, address, and ZIP + 4	(c) Total contributions	(d) Type of contribution
		\$ _____	Person <input type="checkbox"/>
			Payroll <input type="checkbox"/>
			Noncash <input type="checkbox"/>
			(Complete Part II for noncash contributions)
(a) No.	(b) Name, address, and ZIP + 4	(c) Total contributions	(d) Type of contribution
		\$ _____	Person <input type="checkbox"/>
			Payroll <input type="checkbox"/>
			Noncash <input type="checkbox"/>
			(Complete Part II for noncash contributions)

Name of organization
 Merrill & Patricia Kirsch Charitable
 Foundation

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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
		\$	
(a) No. from Part I	(b) Description of noncash property given	(c) FMV (or estimate) (see instructions)	(d) Date received
		\$	
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		\$	
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		\$	
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		\$	

Name of organizationMerrill & Patricia Kirsch Charitable
Foundation**Employer identification number**

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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 information once. See instructions.) ► \$ _____*
 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 Transferee's name, address, and ZIP 4		Relationship of transferor to transferee
	(e) Transfer of gift Transferee's name, address, and ZIP 4		Relationship of transferor to transferee
	(e) Transfer of gift Transferee's name, address, and ZIP 4		Relationship of transferor to transferee