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Form 990

Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

OMB No 1545-0047

2016

Open to Public Inspection

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

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A For the 2016 calendar year, or tax year beginning 01-01-2016 , and ending 12-31-2016

B Check if applicable

☐ Address change

☐ Name change

☐ Initial return

☐ Final

☒ Return/terminated

☐ Amended return

☐ Application pending

C Name of organization

SHEDD AQUARIUM SOCIETY

Doing business as

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

Room/suite

1200 SOUTH LAKE SHORE DRIVE

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

CHICAGO, IL 60605

D Employer identification number

36-2167918

E Telephone number

(312) 692-3114

G Gross receipts \$ 119,025,615

F Name and address of principal officer

BRIDGET C COUGHLIN

1200 SOUTH LAKE SHORE DRIVE

CHICAGO, IL 60605

H(a) Is this a group return for subordinates?

☐ Yes ☒ No

H(b) Are all subordinates included?

☐ Yes ☐ No

If "No," attach a list (see instructions)

H(c) Group exemption number ▶

I Tax-exempt status

☒ 501(c)(3) ☐ 501(c) () ◀(insert no) ☐ 4947(a)(1) or ☐ 527

J Website: ▶ WWW.SHEDDAQUARIUM.ORG

K Form of organization

☒ Corporation ☐ Trust ☐ Association ☐ Other ▶

L Year of formation 1924

M State of legal domicile IL

Part I Summary

Activities & Governance

1 Briefly describe the organization's mission or most significant activities

THE SHEDD AQUARIUM SOCIETY OPERATES A PUBLIC AQUARIUM TO ENCOURAGE THE CONNECTION BETWEEN ANIMALS AND GUESTS THROUGH EXHIBITS AND EDUCATION PROGRAMS WITH THE GOAL OF PROMOTING AQUATIC CONSERVATION

2 Check this box ☐ if the organization discontinued its operations or disposed of more than 25% of its net assets

3 Number of voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1a)

4 Number of independent voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1b)

5 Total number of individuals employed in calendar year 2016 (Part V, line 2a)

6 Total number of volunteers (estimate if necessary)

7a Total unrelated business revenue from Part VIII, column (C), line 12

7b Net unrelated business taxable income from Form 990-T, line 34

Revenue

8 Contributions and grants (Part VIII, line 1h)

9 Program service revenue (Part VIII, line 2g)

10 Investment income (Part VIII, column (A), lines 3, 4, and 7d)

11 Other revenue (Part VIII, column (A), lines 5, 6d, 8c, 9c, 10c, and 11e)

12 Total revenue—add lines 8 through 11 (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)

Expenses

13 Grants and similar amounts paid (Part IX, column (A), lines 1–3)

14 Benefits paid to or for members (Part IX, column (A), line 4)

15 Salaries, other compensation, employee benefits (Part IX, column (A), lines 5–10)

16a Professional fundraising fees (Part IX, column (A), line 11e)

b Total fundraising expenses (Part IX, column (D), line 25) ▶3,691,835

17 Other expenses (Part IX, column (A), lines 11a–11d, 11f–24e)

18 Total expenses Add lines 13–17 (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)

19 Revenue less expenses Subtract line 18 from line 12

Net Assets or Fund Balances

20 Total assets (Part X, line 16)

21 Total liabilities (Part X, line 26)

22 Net assets or fund balances Subtract line 21 from line 20

Part II Signature Block

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined this return, including accompanying schedules and statements, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete Declaration of preparer (other than officer) is based on all information of which preparer has any knowledge

Sign Here

Signature of officer

JOYCE M SIMON EXEC VP/CFO/TREASURER/SECRETAR

Type or print name and title

2017-05-08

Date

Paid Preparer Use Only

Print/Type preparer's name

Preparer's signature

Date

Check ☐ if self-employed

PTIN

Firm's name ▶ PLANTE & MORAN PLLC

Firm's EIN ▶ 38-1357951

Firm's address ▶ 10 S RIVERSIDE PLAZA 9TH FLOOR

Phone no (312) 207-1040

CHICAGO, IL 60606

May the IRS discuss this return with the preparer shown above? (see instructions)

☒ Yes ☐ No

For Paperwork Reduction Act Notice, see the separate instructions.

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Part III Statement of Program Service AccomplishmentsCheck if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part III ☒**1** Briefly describe the organization's mission

AT SHEDD AQUARIUM, ANIMALS CONNECT YOU TO THE LIVING WORLD, INSPIRING YOU TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE OUR EXHIBITS AND LEARNING PROGRAMS ENCOURAGE PEOPLE TO SUPPORT CONSERVATION EFFORTS THAT PROTECT WILDLIFE AND THEIR HABITATS AROUND THE WORLD

2 Did the organization undertake any significant program services during the year which were not listed onthe prior Form 990 or 990-EZ? ☐ Yes ☒ No

If "Yes," describe these new services on Schedule O

3 Did the organization cease conducting, or make significant changes in how it conducts, any programservices? ☐ Yes ☒ No

If "Yes," describe these changes on Schedule O

4 Describe the organization's program service accomplishments for each of its three largest program services, as measured by expenses
Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations are required to report the amount of grants and allocations to others, the total expenses, and revenue, if any, for each program service reported

4a (Code) (Expenses \$ 30,705,854 including grants of \$ 30,485) (Revenue \$ 35,893,883)

CONSERVATION EDUCATION SHEDD AQUARIUM HAS WELCOMED MORE THAN 100 MILLION GUESTS TO THE WONDERS OF THE AQUATIC WORLD SINCE OPENING ITS DOORS IN 1930. THE AQUARIUM IS COMMITTED TO BEING ONE OF CHICAGO'S MOST ACCESSIBLE CULTURAL INSTITUTIONS, OFFERING ILLINOIS RESIDENT DISCOUNT DAYS THROUGHOUT THE YEAR, AS WELL AS DAILY DISCOUNTS FOR CHICAGO RESIDENTS, STUDENTS AND SENIOR CITIZENS, AND FREE ADMISSION FOR TEACHERS, POLICE AND FIRE PERSONNEL, AND ACTIVE-DUTY MILITARY. INSIDE THE AQUARIUM WALLS, A SUITE OF IMPACTFUL GUEST ENGAGEMENTS, INCLUDING LIVING EXHIBITS AND EXTRAORDINARY EXPERIENCES BEHIND THE SCENES, CREATE MEMORABLE CONNECTIONS TO ANIMALS, WHILE MILLIONS OF ADDITIONAL LEARNERS WORLDWIDE MAKE VIRTUAL CONNECTIONS THROUGH SHEDD'S EDUCATIONAL ONLINE PLATFORMS. THE AQUARIUM ALSO SHARES SHEDD'S MISSION BY TELLING ACCESSIBLE, MEANINGFUL STORIES WITH THE PUBLIC THROUGH PUBLIC RELATIONS AND MARKETING EFFORTS DEVELOPED THROUGH THE INTEGRATION OF CONSERVATION, LEARNING, ANIMAL CARE AND GUEST EXPERIENCE. A PROACTIVE LEADER AND RESOURCE FOR IMMERSIVE SCIENCE EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES, SHEDD OFFERS PROGRESSIVE, RELEVANT AND ENGAGING PROGRAMS THAT INSPIRE - CREATING A GREATER UNDERSTANDING AND APPRECIATION FOR WILDLIFE AND ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARDSHIP. SHEDD STAFF MEMBERS CONDUCT AFTERSCHOOL PROGRAMS, LABS AND WORKSHOPS, AND WEEKLONG CITIZEN SCIENCE PROGRAMS FOR TEENS IN THE GREAT LAKES AND ABOARD ITS RESEARCH VESSEL, THE CORAL REEF II IN THE BAHAMAS.

4b (Code) (Expenses \$ 12,041,801 including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)

ANIMAL CARE SHEDD AQUARIUM IS HOME TO THE WORLD'S LARGEST AND MOST DIVERSE AQUATIC COLLECTIONS - MORE THAN 32,500 ANIMALS REPRESENTING OVER 1,500 SPECIES. A GLOBAL LEADER IN ANIMAL CARE, SHEDD'S TRAINING AND HUSBANDRY PROGRAMS SUPPORT ONSITE RESEARCH EFFORTS THAT CONTRIBUTE TO THE GROWING SCIENTIFIC BODY OF KNOWLEDGE ABOUT THOSE SPECIES IN THE WILD. ADDITIONALLY, SHEDD'S VETERINARIANS ARE AQUATIC MEDICINE PIONEERS WHO ARE ADVANCING THE FIELDS OF PREVENTIVE MEDICINE, AGING CARE, AND CONSERVATION MEDICINE WHILE PROVIDING WORLD-CLASS MEDICAL CARE THAT FURTHER EXPANDS UNDERSTANDING OF HOW TO SUPPORT HEALTHY ANIMAL POPULATIONS IN AQUARIUMS AND IN THE WILD. SHEDD'S ANIMAL CARE EXPERTISE ALSO LENDS ITSELF TO CRISIS RESPONSE AROUND THE WORLD. AS A NATIONALLY-RECOGNIZED LEADER IN RESCUE AND REHABILITATION, THE AQUARIUM HAS HELPED ANIMALS IN NEED FOR DECADES. SHEDD FREQUENTLY ACTS AS A PARTNER AND ADVISOR TO STATE AND FEDERAL GOVERNMENT AGENCIES, AND FELLOW ZOOS AND AQUARIUMS SEEKING ADVICE ABOUT REHOMING ORPHANED OR INJURED WILDLIFE.

4c (Code) (Expenses \$ 2,164,815 including grants of \$ 178,234) (Revenue \$)

CONSERVATION SCIENCE AND RESEARCH SHEDD IS LOCATED IN CHICAGO, BUT ITS RESEARCH IS WORLDWIDE. ITS HUSBANDRY, VETERINARY AND CONSERVATION PROGRAMS ARE GROUNDED IN RESEARCH THAT SUPPORTS HEALTHY ANIMALS AT SHEDD AND VIBRANT WILD POPULATIONS AROUND THE WORLD. SHEDD'S CONSERVATION RESEARCH PROGRAMS WORK TO MAXIMIZE BIODIVERSITY WHILE PRESERVING LOCAL LIVELIHOODS, AND FIELD RESEARCHERS OFTEN WORK SIDE-BY-SIDE WITH CITIZEN SCIENTISTS TO CONSERVE WILDLIFE AND HABITATS FOR FUTURE GENERATIONS. THE AQUARIUM'S WORK INCLUDES MORE THAN TWO DECADES OF RESEARCH ON BAHAMIAN ROCK IGUANAS, ONE OF THE WORLD'S MOST CRITICALLY ENDANGERED LIZARDS, AS WELL AS STUDIES OF ENDANGERED ARAPAIMA IN GUYANA, QUEEN CONCH AND GROUPER IN THE BAHAMAS, AND SEAHORSES IN SOUTHEAST ASIA. CLOSER TO HOME, SHEDD'S GREAT LAKES RESEARCH FOCUSES ON HIGH PRIORITY WILDLIFE AND HABITAT CONSERVATION ISSUES, THE AQUARIUM'S APPLIED STUDIES SUPPORT LOCAL AND REGIONAL AGENCIES IN DEVELOPING SOUND MANAGEMENT PLANS THAT CAN PROTECT THIS TREASURED NATIONAL RESOURCE. ONSITE, SHEDD'S STATE-OF-THE-ART FACILITIES AND ANIMAL CARE EXPERTS SERVE AS RESOURCES FOR RESEARCH PARTNERS IN CHICAGO AND AROUND THE UNITED STATES. ONSITE RESEARCH PROVIDES VALUABLE BIOLOGICAL AND BEHAVIORAL INFORMATION THAT INFORMS UNDERSTANDING OF SPECIES WHICH ARE NEARLY IMPOSSIBLE TO STUDY IN THE WILD. IN ADDITION TO SHARING WHAT IT LEARNS WITH THE SCIENTIFIC COMMUNITY, SHEDD'S ONSITE WORK CONTRIBUTES TO ITS OWN FIELD RESEARCH, SUCH AS HEALTH ASSESSMENTS OF WILD ALASKAN BELUGA WHALES AND EFFORTS TO SAVE SHARKS FROM LIFE-THREATENING STRESS RESPONSES FROM ENVIRONMENTAL AND ANTHROPOGENIC STRESSORS.

4d Other program services (Describe in Schedule O)

(Expenses \$ including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)

4e Total program service expenses ► 44,912,470

Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules

	Yes	No
1 Is the organization described in section 501(c)(3) or 4947(a)(1) (other than a private foundation)? If "Yes," complete Schedule A 	1 Yes	
2 Is the organization required to complete Schedule B, Schedule of Contributors (see instructions)? 	2 Yes	
3 Did the organization engage in direct or indirect political campaign activities on behalf of or in opposition to candidates for public office? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part I 	3	No
4 Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Did the organization engage in lobbying activities, or have a section 501(h) election in effect during the tax year? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part II 	4 Yes	
5 Is the organization a section 501(c)(4), 501(c)(5), or 501(c)(6) organization that receives membership dues, assessments, or similar amounts as defined in Revenue Procedure 98-19? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part III 	5	No
6 Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds or any similar funds or accounts for which donors have the right to provide advice on the distribution or investment of amounts in such funds or accounts? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part I 	6	No
7 Did the organization receive or hold a conservation easement, including easements to preserve open space, the environment, historic land areas, or historic structures? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part II 	7	No
8 Did the organization maintain collections of works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part III 	8 Yes	
9 Did the organization report an amount in Part X, line 21 for escrow or custodial account liability, serve as a custodian for amounts not listed in Part X, or provide credit counseling, debt management, credit repair, or debt negotiation services? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part IV 	9	No
10 Did the organization, directly or through a related organization, hold assets in temporarily restricted endowments, permanent endowments, or quasi-endowments? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part V 	10 Yes	
11 If the organization's answer to any of the following questions is "Yes," then complete Schedule D, Parts VI, VII, VIII, IX, or X as applicable		
a Did the organization report an amount for land, buildings, and equipment in Part X, line 10? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VI 	11a Yes	
b Did the organization report an amount for investments—other securities in Part X, line 12 that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VII 	11b Yes	
c Did the organization report an amount for investments—program related in Part X, line 13 that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VIII 	11c	No
d Did the organization report an amount for other assets in Part X, line 15 that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part IX 	11d	No
e Did the organization report an amount for other liabilities in Part X, line 25? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X 	11e Yes	
f Did the organization's separate or consolidated financial statements for the tax year include a footnote that addresses the organization's liability for uncertain tax positions under FIN 48 (ASC 740)? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X 	11f Yes	
12a Did the organization obtain separate, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Parts XI and XII 	12a Yes	
b Was the organization included in consolidated, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? If "Yes," and if the organization answered "No" to line 12a, then completing Schedule D, Parts XI and XII is optional 	12b	No
13 Is the organization a school described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? If "Yes," complete Schedule E	13	No
14a Did the organization maintain an office, employees, or agents outside of the United States?	14a	No
b Did the organization have aggregate revenues or expenses of more than \$10,000 from grantmaking, fundraising, business, investment, and program service activities outside the United States, or aggregate foreign investments valued at \$100,000 or more? If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts I and IV 	14b Yes	
15 Did the organization report on Part IX, column (A), line 3, more than \$5,000 of grants or other assistance to or for any foreign organization? If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts II and IV 	15 Yes	
16 Did the organization report on Part IX, column (A), line 3, more than \$5,000 of aggregate grants or other assistance to or for foreign individuals? If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts III and IV 	16	No
17 Did the organization report a total of more than \$15,000 of expenses for professional fundraising services on Part IX, column (A), lines 6 and 11e? If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part I (see instructions) 	17	No
18 Did the organization report more than \$15,000 total of fundraising event gross income and contributions on Part VIII, lines 1c and 8a? If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part II 	18 Yes	
19 Did the organization report more than \$15,000 of gross income from gaming activities on Part VIII, line 9a? If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part III 	19	No

Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules (continued)

	Yes	No
20a Did the organization operate one or more hospital facilities? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule H</i>		No
b If "Yes" to line 20a, did the organization attach a copy of its audited financial statements to this return?		
21 Did the organization report more than \$5,000 of grants or other assistance to any domestic organization or domestic government on Part IX, column (A), line 1? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and II</i>	Yes	
22 Did the organization report more than \$5,000 of grants or other assistance to or for domestic individuals on Part IX, column (A), line 2? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and III</i>		No
23 Did the organization answer "Yes" to Part VII, Section A, line 3, 4, or 5 about compensation of the organization's current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, and highest compensated employees? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J</i>	Yes	
24a Did the organization have a tax-exempt bond issue with an outstanding principal amount of more than \$100,000 as of the last day of the year, that was issued after December 31, 2002? <i>If "Yes," answer lines 24b through 24d and complete Schedule K. If "No," go to line 25a</i>	Yes	
b Did the organization invest any proceeds of tax-exempt bonds beyond a temporary period exception?		No
c Did the organization maintain an escrow account other than a refunding escrow at any time during the year to defease any tax-exempt bonds?		No
d Did the organization act as an "on behalf of" issuer for bonds outstanding at any time during the year?		No
25a Section 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations. Did the organization engage in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person during the year? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I</i>		No
b Is the organization aware that it engaged in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person in a prior year, and that the transaction has not been reported on any of the organization's prior Forms 990 or 990-EZ? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I</i>		No
26 Did the organization report any amount on Part X, line 5, 6, or 22 for receivables from or payables to any current or former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, highest compensated employees, or disqualified persons? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part II</i>		No
27 Did the organization provide a grant or other assistance to an officer, director, trustee, key employee, substantial contributor or employee thereof, a grant selection committee member, or to a 35% controlled entity or family member of any of these persons? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part III</i>		No
28 Was the organization a party to a business transaction with one of the following parties (see Schedule L, Part IV instructions for applicable filing thresholds, conditions, and exceptions)		
a A current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV</i>		No
b A family member of a current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV</i>		No
c An entity of which a current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee (or a family member thereof) was an officer, director, trustee, or direct or indirect owner? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV</i>		No
29 Did the organization receive more than \$25,000 in non-cash contributions? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule M</i>	Yes	
30 Did the organization receive contributions of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets, or qualified conservation contributions? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule M</i>		No
31 Did the organization liquidate, terminate, or dissolve and cease operations? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part I</i>		No
32 Did the organization sell, exchange, dispose of, or transfer more than 25% of its net assets? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part II</i>		No
33 Did the organization own 100% of an entity disregarded as separate from the organization under Regulations sections 301.7701-2 and 301.7701-3? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part I</i>		No
34 Was the organization related to any tax-exempt or taxable entity? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part II, III, or IV, and Part V, line 1</i>		No
35a Did the organization have a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)?		No
b If "Yes" to line 35a, did the organization receive any payment from or engage in any transaction with a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2</i>		
36 Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2</i>		No
37 Did the organization conduct more than 5% of its activities through an entity that is not a related organization and that is treated as a partnership for federal income tax purposes? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part VI</i>		No
38 Did the organization complete Schedule O and provide explanations in Schedule O for Part VI, lines 11b and 19? Note. All Form 990 filers are required to complete Schedule O	Yes	

Part V Statements Regarding Other IRS Filings and Tax ComplianceCheck if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part V ☐

		Yes	No
1a	Enter the number reported in Box 3 of Form 1096 Enter -0- if not applicable	1a	40
b	Enter the number of Forms W-2G included in line 1a Enter -0- if not applicable	1b	0
c	Did the organization comply with backup withholding rules for reportable payments to vendors and reportable gaming (gambling) winnings to prize winners?	1c	Yes
2a	Enter the number of employees reported on Form W-3, Transmittal of Wage and Tax Statements, filed for the calendar year ending with or within the year covered by this return	2a	717
b	If at least one is reported on line 2a, did the organization file all required federal employment tax returns? Note. If the sum of lines 1a and 2a is greater than 250, you may be required to e-file (see instructions)	2b	Yes
3a	Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year?	3a	Yes
b	If "Yes," has it filed a Form 990-T for this year? If "No" to line 3b, provide an explanation in Schedule O	3b	Yes
4a	At any time during the calendar year, did the organization have an interest in, or a signature or other authority over, a financial account in a foreign country (such as a bank account, securities account, or other financial account)?	4a	No
b	If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country ▶ _____ See instructions for filing requirements for FinCEN Form 114, Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts (FBAR)		
5a	Was the organization a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction at any time during the tax year?	5a	No
b	Did any taxable party notify the organization that it was or is a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction?	5b	No
c	If "Yes," to line 5a or 5b, did the organization file Form 8886-T?	5c	
6a	Does the organization have annual gross receipts that are normally greater than \$100,000, and did the organization solicit any contributions that were not tax deductible as charitable contributions?	6a	No
b	If "Yes," did the organization include with every solicitation an express statement that such contributions or gifts were not tax deductible?	6b	
7	Organizations that may receive deductible contributions under section 170(c).		
a	Did the organization receive a payment in excess of \$75 made partly as a contribution and partly for goods and services provided to the payor?	7a	Yes
b	If "Yes," did the organization notify the donor of the value of the goods or services provided?	7b	Yes
c	Did the organization sell, exchange, or otherwise dispose of tangible personal property for which it was required to file Form 8282?	7c	No
d	If "Yes," indicate the number of Forms 8282 filed during the year	7d	
e	Did the organization receive any funds, directly or indirectly, to pay premiums on a personal benefit contract?	7e	No
f	Did the organization, during the year, pay premiums, directly or indirectly, on a personal benefit contract?	7f	No
g	If the organization received a contribution of qualified intellectual property, did the organization file Form 8899 as required?	7g	
h	If the organization received a contribution of cars, boats, airplanes, or other vehicles, did the organization file a Form 1098-C?	7h	
8	Sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds. Did a donor advised fund maintained by the sponsoring organization have excess business holdings at any time during the year?	8	
9a	Did the sponsoring organization make any taxable distributions under section 4966?	9a	
b	Did the sponsoring organization make a distribution to a donor, donor advisor, or related person?	9b	
10	Section 501(c)(7) organizations. Enter		
a	Initiation fees and capital contributions included on Part VIII, line 12	10a	
b	Gross receipts, included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, for public use of club facilities	10b	
11	Section 501(c)(12) organizations. Enter		
a	Gross income from members or shareholders	11a	
b	Gross income from other sources (Do not net amounts due or paid to other sources against amounts due or received from them)	11b	
12a	Section 4947(a)(1) non-exempt charitable trusts. Is the organization filing Form 990 in lieu of Form 1041?	12a	
b	If "Yes," enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the year	12b	
13	Section 501(c)(29) qualified nonprofit health insurance issuers.		
a	Is the organization licensed to issue qualified health plans in more than one state? Note. See the instructions for additional information the organization must report on Schedule O	13a	
b	Enter the amount of reserves the organization is required to maintain by the states in which the organization is licensed to issue qualified health plans	13b	
c	Enter the amount of reserves on hand	13c	
14a	Did the organization receive any payments for indoor tanning services during the tax year?	14a	No
b	If "Yes," has it filed a Form 720 to report these payments? If "No," provide an explanation in Schedule O	14b	

Part VI Governance, Management, and Disclosure For each "Yes" response to lines 2 through 7b below, and for a "No" response to lines 8a, 8b, or 10b below, describe the circumstances, processes, or changes in Schedule O. See instructions.

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part VI ☒

Section A. Governing Body and Management

		Yes	No
1a	Enter the number of voting members of the governing body at the end of the tax year		
	If there are material differences in voting rights among members of the governing body, or if the governing body delegated broad authority to an executive committee or similar committee, explain in Schedule O		
1b	Enter the number of voting members included in line 1a, above, who are independent		
2	Did any officer, director, trustee, or key employee have a family relationship or a business relationship with any other officer, director, trustee, or key employee?	Yes	
3	Did the organization delegate control over management duties customarily performed by or under the direct supervision of officers, directors or trustees, or key employees to a management company or other person?	Yes	
4	Did the organization make any significant changes to its governing documents since the prior Form 990 was filed?		No
5	Did the organization become aware during the year of a significant diversion of the organization's assets?		No
6	Did the organization have members or stockholders?		No
7a	Did the organization have members, stockholders, or other persons who had the power to elect or appoint one or more members of the governing body?		No
7b	Are any governance decisions of the organization reserved to (or subject to approval by) members, stockholders, or persons other than the governing body?		No
8	Did the organization contemporaneously document the meetings held or written actions undertaken during the year by the following:		
a	The governing body?	Yes	
b	Each committee with authority to act on behalf of the governing body?	Yes	
9	Is there any officer, director, trustee, or key employee listed in Part VII, Section A, who cannot be reached at the organization's mailing address? If "Yes," provide the names and addresses in Schedule O.		No

Section B. Policies (This Section B requests information about policies not required by the Internal Revenue Code.)

		Yes	No
10a	Did the organization have local chapters, branches, or affiliates?		No
10b	If "Yes," did the organization have written policies and procedures governing the activities of such chapters, affiliates, and branches to ensure their operations are consistent with the organization's exempt purposes?		
11a	Has the organization provided a complete copy of this Form 990 to all members of its governing body before filing the form?	Yes	
11b	Describe in Schedule O the process, if any, used by the organization to review this Form 990.		
12a	Did the organization have a written conflict of interest policy? If "No," go to line 13.	Yes	
12b	Were officers, directors, or trustees, and key employees required to disclose annually interests that could give rise to conflicts?	Yes	
12c	Did the organization regularly and consistently monitor and enforce compliance with the policy? If "Yes," describe in Schedule O how this was done.	Yes	
13	Did the organization have a written whistleblower policy?	Yes	
14	Did the organization have a written document retention and destruction policy?	Yes	
15	Did the process for determining compensation of the following persons include a review and approval by independent persons, comparability data, and contemporaneous substantiation of the deliberation and decision?		
15a	The organization's CEO, Executive Director, or top management official	Yes	
15b	Other officers or key employees of the organization	Yes	
	If "Yes" to line 15a or 15b, describe the process in Schedule O (see instructions)		
16a	Did the organization invest in, contribute assets to, or participate in a joint venture or similar arrangement with a taxable entity during the year?		No
16b	If "Yes," did the organization follow a written policy or procedure requiring the organization to evaluate its participation in joint venture arrangements under applicable federal tax law, and take steps to safeguard the organization's exempt status with respect to such arrangements?		

Section C. Disclosure

17 List the States with which a copy of this Form 990 is required to be filed: IL, MI

18 Section 6104 requires an organization to make its Form 1023 (or 1024 if applicable), 990, and 990-T (501(c)(3)s only) available for public inspection. Indicate how you made these available. Check all that apply.
☒ Own website ☐ Another's website ☒ Upon request ☐ Other (explain in Schedule O)

19 Describe in Schedule O whether (and if so, how) the organization made its governing documents, conflict of interest policy, and financial statements available to the public during the tax year.

20 State the name, address, and telephone number of the person who possesses the organization's books and records:
 ▶ JOYCE M SIMON 1200 SOUTH LAKE SHORE DRIVE CHICAGO, IL 60605 (312) 692-3114

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part VII ☐

☐ Check this box if neither the organization nor any related organization compensated any current officer, director, or trustee

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2 Total number of individuals (including but not limited to those listed above) who received more than \$100,000 of reportable compensation from the organization ▶ 29

Section B. Independent Contractors

(A) Name and business address	(B) Description of services	(C) Compensation
MBUY 600 W CHICAGO AVE CHICAGO, IL 60654	ADVERTISING	1,539,072
MONTERREY SECURITY CONSULTANT 2232 S BLUE ISLAND AVENUE CHICAGO, IL 60608	SECURITY SERVICES	1,032,775
ONX ENTERPRISE SOLUTIONS 600 EAST DIEHL NAPERVILLE, IL 60563	IT CONSULTING	850,665
KIMCOEUREST SERVICES INC 13028 COLLECTION CENTER DRIVE CHICAGO, IL 60693	CLEANING SERVICES	670,223
KOBOTECH 8 S MICHIGAN AVE STE 810 CHICAGO, IL 60603	EVENT PLANNING	576,185

2 Total number of independent contractors (including but not limited to those listed above) who received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization ► 14	
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Part VIII Statement of RevenueCheck if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part VIII ☐

			(A) Total revenue	(B) Related or exempt function revenue	(C) Unrelated business revenue	(D) Revenue excluded from tax under sections 512-514
Contributions, Gifts, Grants and Other Similar Amounts	1a Federated campaigns . . .	1a				
	b Membership dues . . .	1b	3,232,079			
	c Fundraising events . . .	1c	695,000			
	d Related organizations	1d				
	e Government grants (contributions)	1e	4,381,004			
	f All other contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts not included above	1f	8,404,322			
	g Noncash contributions included in lines 1a-1f \$ _____		1,081,219			
	h Total. Add lines 1a-1f		16,712,405			
Program Service Revenue		Business Code				
	2a ADMISSIONS	900099	34,505,605	34,505,605		
	b FOOD SERVICE	722210	1,361,208			1,361,208
	c EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS	900099	1,266,153	1,266,153		
	d _____					
	e _____					
	f All other program service revenue		155,007	122,125		32,882
	g Total. Add lines 2a-2f		37,287,973			
Other Revenue	3 Investment income (including dividends, interest, and other similar amounts)		482,483			482,483
	4 Income from investment of tax-exempt bond proceeds					
	5 Royalties					
	6a Gross rents	(i) Real (ii) Personal				
		2,939,255				
	b Less rental expenses	379,053				
	c Rental income or (loss)	2,560,202				
	d Net rental income or (loss)		2,560,202			2,560,202
	7a Gross amount from sales of assets other than inventory	(i) Securities (ii) Other				
		60,637,760 505,127				
	b Less cost or other basis and sales expenses	62,133,726 749,619				
	c Gain or (loss)	-1,495,966 -244,492				
	d Net gain or (loss)		-1,740,458			-1,740,458
	8a Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ _____ 695,000 of contributions reported on line 1c) See Part IV, line 18	a	305,590			
	b Less direct expenses	b	615,187			
	c Net income or (loss) from fundraising events		-309,597			-309,597
	9a Gross income from gaming activities See Part IV, line 19	a				
	b Less direct expenses	b				
c Net income or (loss) from gaming activities						
10a Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances	a					
b Less cost of goods sold	b					
c Net income or (loss) from sales of inventory						
Miscellaneous Revenue	Business Code					
11a OTHER REVENUE	900099	155,022			155,022	
b _____						
c _____						
d All other revenue						
e Total. Add lines 11a-11d		155,022				
12 Total revenue. See Instructions		55,148,030	35,893,883	0	2,541,742	

Part IX Statement of Functional Expenses

Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations must complete all columns. All other organizations must complete column (A).

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part IX ☐**Do not include amounts reported on lines 6b, 7b, 8b, 9b, and 10b of Part VIII.**

	(A) Total expenses	(B) Program service expenses	(C) Management and general expenses	(D) Fundraising expenses
1 Grants and other assistance to domestic organizations and domestic governments. See Part IV, line 21.	129,409	129,409		
2 Grants and other assistance to domestic individuals. See Part IV, line 22.				
3 Grants and other assistance to foreign organizations, foreign governments, and foreign individuals. See Part IV, line 15 and 16.	79,310	79,310		
4 Benefits paid to or for members.				
5 Compensation of current officers, directors, trustees, and key employees.	2,908,069	707,944	1,384,915	815,210
6 Compensation not included above, to disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)) and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B).				
7 Other salaries and wages.	18,770,327	14,411,900	3,129,652	1,228,775
8 Pension plan accruals and contributions (include section 401 (k) and 403(b) employer contributions).	848,563	564,516	190,075	93,972
9 Other employee benefits.	3,494,239	2,394,798	735,104	364,337
10 Payroll taxes.	1,489,032	990,644	333,455	164,933
11 Fees for services (non-employees):				
a Management.	2,073,744	2,001,294	59,132	13,318
b Legal.	274,786		274,786	
c Accounting.	63,869		63,869	
d Lobbying.	19,880		19,880	
e Professional fundraising services. See Part IV, line 17.				
f Investment management fees.	198,964		198,964	
g Other (If line 11g amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A) amount, list line 11g expenses on Schedule O).	3,503,786	2,344,069	795,928	363,789
12 Advertising and promotion.	1,777,995	1,776,495		1,500
13 Office expenses.	2,781,430	2,227,955	247,779	305,696
14 Information technology.	1,232,494	579,300	582,808	70,386
15 Royalties.				
16 Occupancy.	1,644,291	1,562,414	69,353	12,524
17 Travel.	955,366	675,873	154,871	124,622
18 Payments of travel or entertainment expenses for any federal, state, or local public officials.				
19 Conferences, conventions, and meetings.	85,690	48,007	30,762	6,921
20 Interest.	577,495	571,842		5,653
21 Payments to affiliates.				
22 Depreciation, depletion, and amortization.	12,006,911	11,506,596	418,046	82,269
23 Insurance.	472,975	43,304	429,671	
24 Other expenses. Itemize expenses not covered above (List miscellaneous expenses in line 24e. If line 24e amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A) amount, list line 24e expenses on Schedule O):				
a REPAIR AND MAINTENANCE	1,305,186	1,250,921	48,526	5,739
b FOOD SERVICE EXPENSE	525,865	525,865		
c MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSE	475,700	303,524	149,993	22,183
d PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT	309,885	216,490	83,387	10,008
e All other expenses.				
25 Total functional expenses. Add lines 1 through 24e.	58,005,261	44,912,470	9,400,956	3,691,835
26 Joint costs. Complete this line only if the organization reported in column (B) joint costs from a combined educational campaign and fundraising solicitation. Check here ☐ if following SOP 98-2 (ASC 958-720).				

Part X Balance SheetCheck if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part IX ☐

				(A) Beginning of year		(B) End of year	
Assets	1	Cash—non-interest-bearing			1		
	2	Savings and temporary cash investments		16,819,130	2	21,464,352	
	3	Pledges and grants receivable, net		3,006,617	3	1,308,866	
	4	Accounts receivable, net		1,324,947	4	1,544,545	
	5	Loans and other receivables from current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, and highest compensated employees. Complete Part II of Schedule L			5		
	6	Loans and other receivables from other disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)), persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B), and contributing employers and sponsoring organizations of section 501(c)(9) voluntary employees' beneficiary organizations (see instructions). Complete Part II of Schedule L			6		
	7	Notes and loans receivable, net			7		
	8	Inventories for sale or use			8		
	9	Prepaid expenses and deferred charges		2,133,547	9	932,704	
	10a	Land, buildings, and equipment—cost or other basis. Complete Part VI of Schedule D	10a	293,683,986			
	b	Less: accumulated depreciation	10b	163,767,583	133,439,041	10c	129,916,403
	11	Investments—publicly traded securities		71,941,547	11	35,731,099	
	12	Investments—other securities. See Part IV, line 11		152,097,253	12	199,271,454	
	13	Investments—program-related. See Part IV, line 11			13		
	14	Intangible assets			14		
	15	Other assets. See Part IV, line 11		1,431,028	15	1,294,771	
16	Total assets. Add lines 1 through 15 (must equal line 34)		382,193,110	16	391,464,194		
Liabilities	17	Accounts payable and accrued expenses		5,290,211	17	6,710,614	
	18	Grants payable			18		
	19	Deferred revenue		915,491	19	794,674	
	20	Tax-exempt bond liabilities		22,945,000	20	21,374,958	
	21	Escrow or custodial account liability. Complete Part IV of Schedule D			21		
	22	Loans and other payables to current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, highest compensated employees, and disqualified persons. Complete Part II of Schedule L			22		
	23	Secured mortgages and notes payable to unrelated third parties			23		
	24	Unsecured notes and loans payable to unrelated third parties			24		
	25	Other liabilities (including federal income tax, payables to related third parties, and other liabilities not included on lines 17-24). Complete Part X of Schedule D		3,995,930	25	3,865,336	
	26	Total liabilities. Add lines 17 through 25		33,146,632	26	32,745,582	
Net Assets or Fund Balances	Organizations that follow SFAS 117 (ASC 958), check here ☒ and complete lines 27 through 29, and lines 33 and 34.						
	27	Unrestricted net assets		285,731,373	27	295,669,702	
	28	Temporarily restricted net assets		49,099,946	28	48,798,162	
	29	Permanently restricted net assets		14,215,159	29	14,250,748	
	Organizations that do not follow SFAS 117 (ASC 958), check here ☐ and complete lines 30 through 34.						
	30	Capital stock or trust principal, or current funds			30		
	31	Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, building or equipment fund			31		
	32	Retained earnings, endowment, accumulated income, or other funds			32		
	33	Total net assets or fund balances		349,046,478	33	358,718,612	
34	Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances		382,193,110	34	391,464,194		

Part XI Reconciliation of Net AssetsCheck if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part XI ☒

1	Total revenue (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	1	55,148,030
2	Total expenses (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	2	58,005,261
3	Revenue less expenses Subtract line 2 from line 1	3	-2,857,231
4	Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (must equal Part X, line 33, column (A))	4	349,046,478
5	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	5	12,063,366
6	Donated services and use of facilities	6	
7	Investment expenses	7	
8	Prior period adjustments	8	
9	Other changes in net assets or fund balances (explain in Schedule O)	9	466,000
10	Net assets or fund balances at end of year Combine lines 3 through 9 (must equal Part X, line 33, column (B))	10	358,718,612

Part XII Financial Statements and ReportingCheck if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part XII ☐

	Yes	No
1 Accounting method used to prepare the Form 990 ☐ Cash ☒ Accrual ☐ Other _____ If the organization changed its method of accounting from a prior year or checked "Other," explain in Schedule O		
2a Were the organization's financial statements compiled or reviewed by an independent accountant? If 'Yes,' check a box below to indicate whether the financial statements for the year were compiled or reviewed on a separate basis, consolidated basis, or both ☐ Separate basis ☐ Consolidated basis ☐ Both consolidated and separate basis		No
b Were the organization's financial statements audited by an independent accountant? If 'Yes,' check a box below to indicate whether the financial statements for the year were audited on a separate basis, consolidated basis, or both ☒ Separate basis ☐ Consolidated basis ☐ Both consolidated and separate basis	Yes	
c If "Yes," to line 2a or 2b, does the organization have a committee that assumes responsibility for oversight of the audit, review, or compilation of its financial statements and selection of an independent accountant? If the organization changed either its oversight process or selection process during the tax year, explain in Schedule O	Yes	
3a As a result of a federal award, was the organization required to undergo an audit or audits as set forth in the Single Audit Act and OMB Circular A-133?		No
b If "Yes," did the organization undergo the required audit or audits? If the organization did not undergo the required audit or audits, explain why in Schedule O and describe any steps taken to undergo such audits		

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(A) Name and Title	(B) Average hours per week (list any hours for related organizations below dotted line)	(C) Position (do not check more than one box, unless person is both an officer and a director/trustee)						(D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W- 2/1099-MISC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W- 2/1099-MISC)	(F) Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations
		Individual trustee or director	Institutional Trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former			
TED BEATTIE SPECIAL ADVISOR/FORMER PRES & CEO	45 00	X		X				898,170	0	27,454
BRIDGET COUGHLIN TRUSTEE, PRES, & CEO(STARTING 4/16)	45 00	X		X				283,766	0	39,751
PETER J BENSEN TRUSTEE	1 00	X						0	0	0
RICHARD W BURKE SR TRUSTEE	1 00	X						0	0	0
PAUL J CARBONE TRUSTEE	1 00	X						0	0	0
WILLIAM J CHASE TRUSTEE	1 00	X						0	0	0
ELIZABETH HARTIGAN CONNELLY TRUSTEE	1 00	X						0	0	0
EUGENE M CUMMINGS TRUSTEE	1 00	X						0	0	0
SCOTT L DILLE TRUSTEE	1 00	X						0	0	0
DAVID L EPSTEIN TRUSTEE	1 00	X						0	0	0

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(A)

(B)

(C)

(D)

(E)

(F)

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		Individual trustee or director	Institutional Trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former			
RICHARD E ERWIN TRUSTEE	1 00	X						0	0	0
TYRONE C FAHNER TRUSTEE	1 00	X						0	0	0
SARAH N GARVEY TRUSTEE	1 00	X						0	0	0
BRENT W GLEDHILL TRUSTEE	1 00	X						0	0	0
H JOHN GILBERTSON JR TRUSTEE	1 00	X						0	0	0
ANDERS GUSTAFSSON TRUSTEE	1 00	X						0	0	0
BRETT J HART TRUSTEE	1 00	X						0	0	0
WALLACE L HEAD TRUSTEE	1 00	X						0	0	0
KYM M HUBBARD TRUSTEE	1 00	X						0	0	0
BRIAN A KENNEY TRUSTEE	1 00	X						0	0	0

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		Individual trustee or director	Institutional Trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former			
RICHARD L KEYSER TRUSTEE	1 00	X						0	0	0
THOMAS N KING TRUSTEE	1 00	X						0	0	0
DAVID J KOO TRUSTEE	1 00	X						0	0	0
ANNE E KREBS TRUSTEE	1 00	X						0	0	0
MITCHELL J KREBS TRUSTEE	1 00	X						0	0	0
DONNA LAPIETRA TRUSTEE	1 00	X						0	0	0
STUART LARKINS TRUSTEE	1 00	X						0	0	0
BRUCE K LEE TRUSTEE	1 00	X						0	0	0
MATTHEW LEVIN TRUSTEE	1 00	X						0	0	0
ANNA M LIVINGSTON TRUSTEE	1 00	X						0	0	0

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		Individual trustee or director	Institutional Trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former			
CHERYL E MAYBERRY MCKISSACK TRUSTEE	1 00	X						0	0	0
ANDREW MCNALLY V TRUSTEE	1 00	X						0	0	0
HARVEY L MILLER TRUSTEE	1 00	X						0	0	0
J JAY MILLER TRUSTEE	1 00	X						0	0	0
WADE D MIQUELON TRUSTEE	1 00	X						0	0	0
SUSAN E MORRISON TRUSTEE	1 00	X						0	0	0
CHRISTOPHER J OATES TRUSTEE	1 00	X						0	0	0
ELLEN L O'CONNOR TRUSTEE	1 00	X						0	0	0
JANE B PERKINS TRUSTEE	1 00	X						0	0	0
GINEVRA REED RALPH TRUSTEE	1 00	X						0	0	0

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GREGORY H SACHS TRUSTEE	1 00	X						0	0	0
JOHN F SANDNER TRUSTEE	1 00	X						0	0	0
DAVID P SCHARF TRUSTEE	1 00	X						0	0	0
RODD M SCHREIBER TRUSTEE	1 00	X						0	0	0
NANCY S SEARLE TRUSTEE	1 00	X						0	0	0
LLOYD D SEMPLE JR TRUSTEE	1 00	X						0	0	0
SANDRA L SIMON TRUSTEE	1 00	X						0	0	0
ALEX SINGLA TRUSTEE	1 00	X						0	0	0
MARY S SMITH TRUSTEE	1 00	X						0	0	0
GUY E SNYDER TRUSTEE	1 00	X						0	0	0

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STEVEN J SOLOMON TRUSTEE	1 00	X						0	0	0
TRACY SOUDER TRUSTEE	1 00	X						0	0	0
WILLIAM C STEERS JR TRUSTEE	1 00	X						0	0	0
JANE L WARNER TRUSTEE	1 00	X						0	0	0
REEVE BYRON WAUD TRUSTEE	1 00	X						0	0	0
STEVE WELLER TRUSTEE	1 00	X						0	0	0
DONNA SIMS WILSON TRUSTEE	1 00	X						0	0	0
JOYCE SIMON EXECUTIVE VP/CFO/TREASURER/SECRETARY	45 00			X				342,516	0	27,223
MIKE DELFINI COO/EXECUTIVE VP	45 00				X			323,202	0	35,671
ROGER GERMANN FORMER EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT	45 00				X			237,496	0	18,413

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JENNIFER BARYL SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT	45 00				X			225,794	0	18,767
TIMOTHY BINDER EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT	45 00				X			197,669	0	23,448
MEGHAN CURRAN SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT	45 00				X			191,386	0	17,345
NANCY ANSHEL SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT	45 00					X		201,627	0	23,080
SANDY MAREK SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT	45 00					X		195,118	0	31,069
ROBERT WENGEL VICE PRESIDENT	45 00					X		189,358	0	31,331
CHERYL MELL SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT	45 00					X		181,814	0	17,492
ERIC ARNQUIST VICE PRESIDENT	45 00					X		165,022	0	21,787

SCHEDULE A (Form 990 or 990-EZ)	Public Charity Status and Public Support Complete if the organization is a section 501(c)(3) organization or a section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust. ▶ Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ. ▶ Information about Schedule A (Form 990 or 990-EZ) and its instructions is at www.irs.gov/form990 .	OMB No 1545-0047 2016 Open to Public Inspection
	Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service Name of the organization SHEDD AQUARIUM SOCIETY	Employer identification number 36-2167918

Part I Reason for Public Charity Status (All organizations must complete this part.) See instructions.
The organization is not a private foundation because it is (For lines 1 through 12, check only one box)

- 1 ☐ A church, convention of churches, or association of churches described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(i)**.
- 2 ☐ A school described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)**. (Attach Schedule E (Form 990 or 990-EZ))
- 3 ☐ A hospital or a cooperative hospital service organization described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii)**.
- 4 ☐ A medical research organization operated in conjunction with a hospital described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii)**. Enter the hospital's name, city, and state _____
- 5 ☐ An organization operated for the benefit of a college or university owned or operated by a governmental unit described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iv)**. (Complete Part II)
- 6 ☐ A federal, state, or local government or governmental unit described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(v)**.
- 7 ☒ An organization that normally receives a substantial part of its support from a governmental unit or from the general public described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi)**. (Complete Part II)
- 8 ☐ A community trust described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi)** (Complete Part II)
- 9 ☐ An agricultural research organization described in **170(b)(1)(A)(ix)** operated in conjunction with a land-grant college or university or a non-land grant college of agriculture See instructions Enter the name, city, and state of the college or university _____
- 10 ☐ An organization that normally receives (1) more than 33 1/3% of its support from contributions, membership fees, and gross receipts from activities related to its exempt functions—subject to certain exceptions, and (2) no more than 33 1/3% of its support from gross investment income and unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 tax) from businesses acquired by the organization after June 30, 1975 See **section 509(a)(2)**. (Complete Part III)
- 11 ☐ An organization organized and operated exclusively to test for public safety See **section 509(a)(4)**.
- 12 ☐ An organization organized and operated exclusively for the benefit of, to perform the functions of, or to carry out the purposes of one or more publicly supported organizations described in **section 509(a)(1)** or **section 509(a)(2)**. See **section 509(a)(3)**. Check the box in lines 12a through 12d that describes the type of supporting organization and complete lines 12e, 12f, and 12g
- a ☐ **Type I.** A supporting organization operated, supervised, or controlled by its supported organization(s), typically by giving the supported organization(s) the power to regularly appoint or elect a majority of the directors or trustees of the supporting organization **You must complete Part IV, Sections A and B.**
- b ☐ **Type II.** A supporting organization supervised or controlled in connection with its supported organization(s), by having control or management of the supporting organization vested in the same persons that control or manage the supported organization(s) **You must complete Part IV, Sections A and C.**
- c ☐ **Type III functionally integrated.** A supporting organization operated in connection with, and functionally integrated with, its supported organization(s) (see instructions) **You must complete Part IV, Sections A, D, and E.**
- d ☐ **Type III non-functionally integrated.** A supporting organization operated in connection with its supported organization(s) that is not functionally integrated The organization generally must satisfy a distribution requirement and an attentiveness requirement (see instructions) **You must complete Part IV, Sections A and D, and Part V.**
- e ☐ Check this box if the organization received a written determination from the IRS that it is a Type I, Type II, Type III functionally integrated, or Type III non-functionally integrated supporting organization
- f Enter the number of supported organizations _____
- g Provide the following information about the supported organization(s) _____

(i) Name of supported organization	(ii) EIN	(iii) Type of organization (described on lines 1- 10 above (see instructions))	(iv) Is the organization listed in your governing document?		(v) Amount of monetary support (see instructions)	(vi) Amount of other support (see instructions)
			Yes	No		
Total						

Part II Support Schedule for Organizations Described in Sections 170(b)(1)(A)(iv) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi)
(Complete only if you checked the box on line 5, 7, 8, or 9 of Part I or if the organization failed to qualify under Part III. If the organization fails to qualify under the tests listed below, please complete Part III.)

Section A. Public Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ►		(a)2012	(b)2013	(c)2014	(d)2015	(e)2016	(f)Total
1	Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received (Do not include any "unusual grant.")	12,935,944	12,722,056	12,804,983	16,252,244	12,635,253	67,350,480
2	Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf	4,010,781	4,020,607	4,079,645	4,099,450	4,077,152	20,287,635
3	The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge						
4	Total. Add lines 1 through 3	16,946,725	16,742,663	16,884,628	20,351,694	16,712,405	87,638,115
5	The portion of total contributions by each person (other than a governmental unit or publicly supported organization) included on line 1 that exceeds 2% of the amount shown on line 11, column (f)						
6	Public support. Subtract line 5 from line 4						87,638,115

Section B. Total Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ►		(a)2012	(b)2013	(c)2014	(d)2015	(e)2016	(f)Total
7	Amounts from line 4	16,946,725	16,742,663	16,884,628	20,351,694	16,712,405	87,638,115
8	Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources	7,568,884	7,308,249	5,610,258	4,234,154	3,421,738	28,143,283
9	Net income from unrelated business activities, whether or not the business is regularly carried on	36,941	37,939	34,445	33,696	0	143,021
10	Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part VI.)	200,990	333,820	162,021	234,544	155,022	1,086,397
11	Total support. Add lines 7 through 10						117,010,816
12	Gross receipts from related activities, etc. (see instructions)					12	183,645,362

13 First five years. If the Form 990 is for the organization's first, second, third, fourth, or fifth tax year as a section 501(c)(3) organization, check this box and **stop here** ☐ ►

Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage

14	Public support percentage for 2016 (line 6, column (f) divided by line 11, column (f))	14	74.900 %
15	Public support percentage for 2015 Schedule A, Part II, line 14	15	71.920 %

16a 33 1/3% support test—2016. If the organization did not check the box on line 13, and line 14 is 33 1/3% or more, check this box and **stop here.** The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization ☒ ►

b 33 1/3% support test—2015. If the organization did not check a box on line 13 or 16a, and line 15 is 33 1/3% or more, check this box and **stop here.** The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization ☐ ►

17a 10%-facts-and-circumstances test—2016. If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, or 16b, and line 14 is 10% or more, and if the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test, check this box and **stop here.** Explain in Part VI how the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization ☐ ►

b 10%-facts-and-circumstances test—2015. If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, 16b, or 17a, and line 15 is 10% or more, and if the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test, check this box and **stop here.** Explain in Part VI how the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization ☐ ►

18 Private foundation. If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, 16b, 17a, or 17b, check this box and see instructions ☐ ►

Part III Support Schedule for Organizations Described in Section 509(a)(2)

(Complete only if you checked the box on line 10 of Part I or if the organization failed to qualify under Part II. If the organization fails to qualify under the tests listed below, please complete Part II.)

Section A. Public Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ►	(a)2012	(b)2013	(c)2014	(d)2015	(e)2016	(f)Total
1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received (Do not include any "unusual grants.")						
2 Gross receipts from admissions, merchandise sold or services performed, or facilities furnished in any activity that is related to the organization's tax-exempt purpose						
3 Gross receipts from activities that are not an unrelated trade or business under section 513						
4 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf						
5 The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge						
6 Total. Add lines 1 through 5						
7a Amounts included on lines 1, 2, and 3 received from disqualified persons						
b Amounts included on lines 2 and 3 received from other than disqualified persons that exceed the greater of \$5,000 or 1% of the amount on line 13 for the year						
c Add lines 7a and 7b						
8 Public support. (Subtract line 7c from line 6.)						

Section B. Total Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ►	(a)2012	(b)2013	(c)2014	(d)2015	(e)2016	(f)Total
9 Amounts from line 6						
10a Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources						
b Unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 taxes) from businesses acquired after June 30, 1975						
c Add lines 10a and 10b						
11 Net income from unrelated business activities not included in line 10b, whether or not the business is regularly carried on						
12 Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part VI.)						
13 Total support. (Add lines 9, 10c, 11, and 12.)						

14 First five years. If the Form 990 is for the organization's first, second, third, fourth, or fifth tax year as a section 501(c)(3) organization, check this box and **stop here** ☐

Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage

15 Public support percentage for 2016 (line 8, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f))	15	
16 Public support percentage from 2015 Schedule A, Part III, line 15	16	

Section D. Computation of Investment Income Percentage

17 Investment income percentage for 2016 (line 10c, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f))	17	
18 Investment income percentage from 2015 Schedule A, Part III, line 17	18	

19a 33 1/3% support tests—2016. If the organization did not check the box on line 14, and line 15 is more than 33 1/3%, and line 17 is not more than 33 1/3%, check this box and **stop here**. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization ☐

b 33 1/3% support tests—2015. If the organization did not check a box on line 14 or line 19a, and line 16 is more than 33 1/3% and line 18 is not more than 33 1/3%, check this box and **stop here**. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization ☐

20 Private foundation. If the organization did not check a box on line 14, 19a, or 19b, check this box and see instructions ☐

Part IV Supporting Organizations

(Complete only if you checked a box on line 12 of Part I. If you checked 12a of Part I, complete Sections A and B. If you checked 12b of Part I, complete Sections A and C. If you checked 12c of Part I, complete Sections A, D, and E. If you checked 12d of Part I, complete Sections A and D, and complete Part V.)

Section A. All Supporting Organizations

	Yes	No
1 Are all of the organization's supported organizations listed by name in the organization's governing documents? <i>If "No," describe in Part VI how the supported organizations are designated. If designated by class or purpose, describe the designation. If historic and continuing relationship, explain.</i>	1	
2 Did the organization have any supported organization that does not have an IRS determination of status under section 509(a)(1) or (2)? <i>If "Yes," explain in Part VI how the organization determined that the supported organization was described in section 509(a)(1) or (2).</i>	2	
3a Did the organization have a supported organization described in section 501(c)(4), (5), or (6)? <i>If "Yes," answer (b) and (c) below.</i>	3a	
b Did the organization confirm that each supported organization qualified under section 501(c)(4), (5), or (6) and satisfied the public support tests under section 509(a)(2)? <i>If "Yes," describe in Part VI when and how the organization made the determination.</i>	3b	
c Did the organization ensure that all support to such organizations was used exclusively for section 170(c)(2)(B) purposes? <i>If "Yes," explain in Part VI what controls the organization put in place to ensure such use.</i>	3c	
4a Was any supported organization not organized in the United States ("foreign supported organization")? <i>If "Yes" and if you checked 12a or 12b in Part I, answer (b) and (c) below.</i>	4a	
b Did the organization have ultimate control and discretion in deciding whether to make grants to the foreign supported organization? <i>If "Yes," describe in Part VI how the organization had such control and discretion despite being controlled or supervised by or in connection with its supported organizations.</i>	4b	
c Did the organization support any foreign supported organization that does not have an IRS determination under sections 501(c)(3) and 509(a)(1) or (2)? <i>If "Yes," explain in Part VI what controls the organization used to ensure that all support to the foreign supported organization was used exclusively for section 170(c)(2)(B) purposes.</i>	4c	
5a Did the organization add, substitute, or remove any supported organizations during the tax year? <i>If "Yes," answer (b) and (c) below (if applicable). Also, provide detail in Part VI, including (i) the names and EIN numbers of the supported organizations added, substituted, or removed, (ii) the reasons for each such action, (iii) the authority under the organization's organizing document authorizing such action, and (iv) how the action was accomplished (such as by amendment to the organizing document).</i>	5a	
b Type I or Type II only. Was any added or substituted supported organization part of a class already designated in the organization's organizing document?	5b	
c Substitutions only. Was the substitution the result of an event beyond the organization's control?	5c	
6 Did the organization provide support (whether in the form of grants or the provision of services or facilities) to anyone other than (i) its supported organizations, (ii) individuals that are part of the charitable class benefited by one or more of its supported organizations, or (iii) other supporting organizations that also support or benefit one or more of the filing organization's supported organizations? <i>If "Yes," provide detail in Part VI.</i>	6	
7 Did the organization provide a grant, loan, compensation, or other similar payment to a substantial contributor (defined in section 4958(c)(3)(C)), a family member of a substantial contributor, or a 35% controlled entity with regard to a substantial contributor? <i>If "Yes," complete Part I of Schedule L (Form 990 or 990-EZ).</i>	7	
8 Did the organization make a loan to a disqualified person (as defined in section 4958) not described in line 7? <i>If "Yes," complete Part I of Schedule L (Form 990 or 990-EZ).</i>	8	
9a Was the organization controlled directly or indirectly at any time during the tax year by one or more disqualified persons as defined in section 4946 (other than foundation managers and organizations described in section 509(a)(1) or (2))? <i>If "Yes," provide detail in Part VI.</i>	9a	
b Did one or more disqualified persons (as defined in line 9a) hold a controlling interest in any entity in which the supporting organization had an interest? <i>If "Yes," provide detail in Part VI.</i>	9b	
c Did a disqualified person (as defined in line 9a) have an ownership interest in, or derive any personal benefit from, assets in which the supporting organization also had an interest? <i>If "Yes," provide detail in Part VI.</i>	9c	
10a Was the organization subject to the excess business holdings rules of section 4943 because of section 4943(f) (regarding certain Type II supporting organizations, and all Type III non-functionally integrated supporting organizations)? <i>If "Yes," answer line 10b below.</i>	10a	
b Did the organization have any excess business holdings in the tax year? <i>(Use Schedule C, Form 4720, to determine whether the organization had excess business holdings.)</i>	10b	

Part IV Supporting Organizations (continued)

	Yes	No
11 Has the organization accepted a gift or contribution from any of the following persons?		
a A person who directly or indirectly controls, either alone or together with persons described in (b) and (c) below, the governing body of a supported organization?		
b A family member of a person described in (a) above?		
c A 35% controlled entity of a person described in (a) or (b) above? <i>If "Yes" to a, b, or c, provide detail in Part VI</i>		
11a		
11b		
11c		

Section B. Type I Supporting Organizations

	Yes	No
1 Did the directors, trustees, or membership of one or more supported organizations have the power to regularly appoint or elect at least a majority of the organization's directors or trustees at all times during the tax year? <i>If "No," describe in Part VI how the supported organization(s) effectively operated, supervised, or controlled the organization's activities. If the organization had more than one supported organization, describe how the powers to appoint and/or remove directors or trustees were allocated among the supported organizations and what conditions or restrictions, if any, applied to such powers during the tax year.</i>		
2 Did the organization operate for the benefit of any supported organization other than the supported organization(s) that operated, supervised, or controlled the supporting organization? <i>If "Yes," explain in Part VI how providing such benefit carried out the purposes of the supported organization(s) that operated, supervised or controlled the supporting organization.</i>		
1		
2		

Section C. Type II Supporting Organizations

	Yes	No
1 Were a majority of the organization's directors or trustees during the tax year also a majority of the directors or trustees of each of the organization's supported organization(s)? <i>If "No," describe in Part VI how control or management of the supporting organization was vested in the same persons that controlled or managed the supported organization(s).</i>		
1		

Section D. All Type III Supporting Organizations

	Yes	No
1 Did the organization provide to each of its supported organizations, by the last day of the fifth month of the organization's tax year, (i) a written notice describing the type and amount of support provided during the prior tax year, (ii) a copy of the Form 990 that was most recently filed as of the date of notification, and (iii) copies of the organization's governing documents in effect on the date of notification, to the extent not previously provided?		
2 Were any of the organization's officers, directors, or trustees either (i) appointed or elected by the supported organization(s) or (ii) serving on the governing body of a supported organization? <i>If "No," explain in Part VI how the organization maintained a close and continuous working relationship with the supported organization(s).</i>		
3 By reason of the relationship described in (2), did the organization's supported organizations have a significant voice in the organization's investment policies and in directing the use of the organization's income or assets at all times during the tax year? <i>If "Yes," describe in Part VI the role the organization's supported organizations played in this regard.</i>		
1		
2		
3		

Section E. Type III Functionally-Integrated Supporting Organizations

1 Check the box next to the method that the organization used to satisfy the Integral Part Test during the year (see instructions)		
a ☐ The organization satisfied the Activities Test. Complete line 2 below.		
b ☐ The organization is the parent of each of its supported organizations. Complete line 3 below.		
c ☐ The organization supported a governmental entity. Describe in Part VI how you supported a government entity (see instructions).		
2 Activities Test Answer (a) and (b) below.		
a Did substantially all of the organization's activities during the tax year directly further the exempt purposes of the supported organization(s) to which the organization was responsive? <i>If "Yes," then in Part VI identify those supported organizations and explain how these activities directly furthered their exempt purposes, how the organization was responsive to those supported organizations, and how the organization determined that these activities constituted substantially all of its activities.</i>		
b Did the activities described in (a) constitute activities that, but for the organization's involvement, one or more of the organization's supported organization(s) would have been engaged in? <i>If "Yes," explain in Part VI the reasons for the organization's position that its supported organization(s) would have engaged in these activities but for the organization's involvement.</i>		
3 Parent of Supported Organizations Answer (a) and (b) below.		
a Did the organization have the power to regularly appoint or elect a majority of the officers, directors, or trustees of each of the supported organizations? <i>Provide details in Part VI.</i>		
b Did the organization exercise a substantial degree of direction over the policies, programs and activities of each of its supported organizations? <i>If "Yes," describe in Part VI the role played by the organization in this regard.</i>		
2a		
2b		
3a		
3b		

Part V Type III Non-Functionally Integrated 509(a)(3) Supporting Organizations

- 1** ☐ Check here if the organization satisfied the Integral Part Test as a qualifying trust on Nov. 20, 1970. **See instructions.** All other Type III non-functionally integrated supporting organizations must complete Sections A through E.

Section A - Adjusted Net Income

	(A) Prior Year	(B) Current Year (optional)
1 Net short-term capital gain	1	
2 Recoveries of prior-year distributions	2	
3 Other gross income (see instructions)	3	
4 Add lines 1 through 3	4	
5 Depreciation and depletion	5	
6 Portion of operating expenses paid or incurred for production or collection of gross income or for management, conservation, or maintenance of property held for production of income (see instructions)	6	
7 Other expenses (see instructions)	7	
8 Adjusted Net Income (subtract lines 5, 6 and 7 from line 4)	8	

Section B - Minimum Asset Amount

	(A) Prior Year	(B) Current Year (optional)
1 Aggregate fair market value of all non-exempt-use assets (see instructions for short tax year or assets held for part of year)	1	
a Average monthly value of securities	1a	
b Average monthly cash balances	1b	
c Fair market value of other non-exempt-use assets	1c	
d Total (add lines 1a, 1b, and 1c)	1d	
e Discount claimed for blockage or other factors (explain in detail in Part VI)		
2 Acquisition indebtedness applicable to non-exempt use assets	2	
3 Subtract line 2 from line 1d	3	
4 Cash deemed held for exempt use. Enter 1-1/2% of line 3 (for greater amount, see instructions)	4	
5 Net value of non-exempt-use assets (subtract line 4 from line 3)	5	
6 Multiply line 5 by .035	6	
7 Recoveries of prior-year distributions	7	
8 Minimum Asset Amount (add line 7 to line 6)	8	

Section C - Distributable Amount

		Current Year
1 Adjusted net income for prior year (from Section A, line 8, Column A)	1	
2 Enter 85% of line 1	2	
3 Minimum asset amount for prior year (from Section B, line 8, Column A)	3	
4 Enter greater of line 2 or line 3	4	
5 Income tax imposed in prior year	5	
6 Distributable Amount. Subtract line 5 from line 4, unless subject to emergency temporary reduction (see instructions)	6	
7 ☐ Check here if the current year is the organization's first as a non-functionally-integrated Type III supporting organization (see instructions)		

Part V

Type III Non-Functionally Integrated 509(a)(3) Supporting Organizations (continued)

Section D - Distributions	Current Year
1 Amounts paid to supported organizations to accomplish exempt purposes	
2 Amounts paid to perform activity that directly furthers exempt purposes of supported organizations, in excess of income from activity	
3 Administrative expenses paid to accomplish exempt purposes of supported organizations	
4 Amounts paid to acquire exempt-use assets	
5 Qualified set-aside amounts (prior IRS approval required)	
6 Other distributions (describe in Part VI) See instructions	
7 Total annual distributions. Add lines 1 through 6	
8 Distributions to attentive supported organizations to which the organization is responsive (provide details in Part VI) See instructions	
9 Distributable amount for 2016 from Section C, line 6	
10 Line 8 amount divided by Line 9 amount	

Section E - Distribution Allocations (see instructions)	(i) Excess Distributions	(ii) Underdistributions Pre-2016	(iii) Distributable Amount for 2016
1 Distributable amount for 2016 from Section C, line 6			
2 Underdistributions, if any, for years prior to 2016 (reasonable cause required--see instructions)			
3 Excess distributions carryover, if any, to 2016			
a			
b			
c From 2013.			
d From 2014.			
e From 2015.			
f Total of lines 3a through e			
g Applied to underdistributions of prior years			
h Applied to 2016 distributable amount			
i Carryover from 2011 not applied (see instructions)			
j Remainder Subtract lines 3g, 3h, and 3i from 3f			
4 Distributions for 2016 from Section D, line 7 \$			
a Applied to underdistributions of prior years			
b Applied to 2016 distributable amount			
c Remainder Subtract lines 4a and 4b from 4			
5 Remaining underdistributions for years prior to 2016, if any Subtract lines 3g and 4a from line 2 (if amount greater than zero, see instructions)			
6 Remaining underdistributions for 2016 Subtract lines 3h and 4b from line 1 (if amount greater than zero, see instructions)			
7 Excess distributions carryover to 2017. Add lines 3j and 4c			
8 Breakdown of line 7			
a			
b Excess from 2013.			
c Excess from 2014.			
d Excess from 2015.			
e Excess from 2016.			

Part VI **Supplemental Information.**

Provide the explanations required by Part II, line 10; Part II, line 17a or 17b; Part III, line 12; Part IV, Section A, lines 1, 2, 3b, 3c, 4b, 4c, 5a, 6, 9a, 9b, 9c, 11a, 11b, and 11c; Part IV, Section B, lines 1 and 2; Part IV, Section C, line 1; Part IV, Section D, lines 2 and 3; Part IV, Section E, lines 1c, 2a, 2b, 3a and 3b; Part V, line 1; Part V, Section B, line 1e; Part V Section D, lines 5, 6, and 8; and Part V, Section E, lines 2, 5, and 6. Also complete this part for any additional information. (See instructions).

Facts And Circumstances Test

SCHEDULE C
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Political Campaign and Lobbying Activities

For Organizations Exempt From Income Tax Under section 501(c) and section 527
▶ **Complete if the organization is described below.** ▶ **Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ.**
▶ **Information about Schedule C (Form 990 or 990-EZ) and its instructions is at www.irs.gov/form990.**

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If the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, Line 3, or Form 990-EZ, Part V, line 46 (Political Campaign Activities), then

- Section 501(c)(3) organizations Complete Parts I-A and B Do not complete Part I-C
- Section 501(c) (other than section 501(c)(3)) organizations Complete Parts I-A and C below Do not complete Part I-B
- Section 527 organizations Complete Part I-A only

If the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, Line 4, or Form 990-EZ, Part VI, line 47 (Lobbying Activities), then

- Section 501(c)(3) organizations that have filed Form 5768 (election under section 501(h)) Complete Part II-A Do not complete Part II-B
- Section 501(c)(3) organizations that have NOT filed Form 5768 (election under section 501(h)) Complete Part II-B Do not complete Part II-A

If the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, Line 5 (Proxy Tax) (see separate instructions) or Form 990-EZ, Part V, line 35c (Proxy Tax) (see separate instructions), then

- Section 501(c)(4), (5), or (6) organizations Complete Part III

Name of the organization SHEDD AQUARIUM SOCIETY	Employer identification number 36-2167918
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Part I-A Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c) or is a section 527 organization.

1	Provide a description of the organization's direct and indirect political campaign activities in Part IV		
2	Political expenditures	▶	\$
3	Volunteer hours		

Part I-B Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(3).

1	Enter the amount of any excise tax incurred by the organization under section 4955	▶	\$
2	Enter the amount of any excise tax incurred by organization managers under section 4955	▶	\$
3	If the organization incurred a section 4955 tax, did it file Form 4720 for this year?		☐ Yes ☐ No
4a	Was a correction made?		☐ Yes ☐ No
b	If "Yes," describe in Part IV		

Part I-C Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c), except section 501(c)(3).

1	Enter the amount directly expended by the filing organization for section 527 exempt function activities	▶	\$
2	Enter the amount of the filing organization's funds contributed to other organizations for section 527 exempt function activities	▶	\$
3	Total exempt function expenditures Add lines 1 and 2 Enter here and on Form 1120-POL, line 17b	▶	\$
4	Did the filing organization file Form 1120-POL for this year?		☐ Yes ☐ No
5	Enter the names, addresses and employer identification number (EIN) of all section 527 political organizations to which the filing organization made payments For each organization listed, enter the amount paid from the filing organization's funds Also enter the amount of political contributions received that were promptly and directly delivered to a separate political organization, such as a separate segregated fund or a political action committee (PAC) If additional space is needed, provide information in Part IV		

(a) Name	(b) Address	(c) EIN	(d) Amount paid from filing organization's funds If none, enter -0-	(e) Amount of political contributions received and promptly and directly delivered to a separate political organization If none, enter -0-
2				
3				
4				
5				
6				

Part II-A Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(3) and filed Form 5768 (election under section 501(h)).

A Check ☐ if the filing organization belongs to an affiliated group (and list in Part IV each affiliated group member's name, address, EIN, expenses, and share of excess lobbying expenditures)

B Check ☐ if the filing organization checked box A and "limited control" provisions apply

Limits on Lobbying Expenditures
(The term "expenditures" means amounts paid or incurred.)**(a)** Filing
organization's
totals**(b)** Affiliated
group totals

1a Total lobbying expenditures to influence public opinion (grass roots lobbying)

b Total lobbying expenditures to influence a legislative body (direct lobbying)

c Total lobbying expenditures (add lines 1a and 1b)

d Other exempt purpose expenditures

e Total exempt purpose expenditures (add lines 1c and 1d)

f Lobbying nontaxable amount Enter the amount from the following table in both columns

If the amount on line 1e, column (a) or (b) is:	The lobbying nontaxable amount is:
Not over \$500,000	20% of the amount on line 1e
Over \$500,000 but not over \$1,000,000	\$100,000 plus 15% of the excess over \$500,000
Over \$1,000,000 but not over \$1,500,000	\$175,000 plus 10% of the excess over \$1,000,000
Over \$1,500,000 but not over \$17,000,000	\$225,000 plus 5% of the excess over \$1,500,000
Over \$17,000,000	\$1,000,000

g Grassroots nontaxable amount (enter 25% of line 1f)

h Subtract line 1g from line 1a If zero or less, enter -0-

i Subtract line 1f from line 1c If zero or less, enter -0-

j If there is an amount other than zero on either line 1h or line 1i, did the organization file Form 4720 reporting section 4911 tax for this year?

☐ Yes ☐ No**4-Year Averaging Period Under section 501(h)**

(Some organizations that made a section 501(h) election do not have to complete all of the five columns below. See the separate instructions for lines 2a through 2f.)

Lobbying Expenditures During 4-Year Averaging Period

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in)	(a) 2013	(b) 2014	(c) 2015	(d) 2016	(e) Total
2a Lobbying nontaxable amount					
b Lobbying ceiling amount (150% of line 2a, column(e))					
c Total lobbying expenditures					
d Grassroots nontaxable amount					
e Grassroots ceiling amount (150% of line 2d, column (e))					
f Grassroots lobbying expenditures					

Part II-B Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(3) and has NOT filed Form 5768 (election under section 501(h)).

For each "Yes" response on lines 1a through 1i below, provide in Part IV a detailed description of the lobbying activity

		(a)		(b)
		Yes	No	Amount
1	During the year, did the filing organization attempt to influence foreign, national, state or local legislation, including any attempt to influence public opinion on a legislative matter or referendum, through the use of			
a	Volunteers?		No	
b	Paid staff or management (include compensation in expenses reported on lines 1c through 1i)?		No	
c	Media advertisements?		No	
d	Mailings to members, legislators, or the public?		No	
e	Publications, or published or broadcast statements?		No	
f	Grants to other organizations for lobbying purposes?	Yes		7,483
g	Direct contact with legislators, their staffs, government officials, or a legislative body?		No	
h	Rallies, demonstrations, seminars, conventions, speeches, lectures, or any similar means?		No	
i	Other activities?	Yes		12,397
j	Total. Add lines 1c through 1i			19,880
2a	Did the activities in line 1 cause the organization to be not described in section 501(c)(3)?		No	
b	If "Yes," enter the amount of any tax incurred under section 4912			
c	If "Yes," enter the amount of any tax incurred by organization managers under section 4912			
d	If the filing organization incurred a section 4912 tax, did it file Form 4720 for this year?			

Part III-A Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(4), section 501(c)(5), or section 501(c)(6).

		Yes	No
1	Were substantially all (90% or more) dues received nondeductible by members?	1	
2	Did the organization make only in-house lobbying expenditures of \$2,000 or less?	2	
3	Did the organization agree to carry over lobbying and political expenditures from the prior year?	3	

Part III-B Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(4), section 501(c)(5), or section 501(c)(6) and if either (a) BOTH Part III-A, lines 1 and 2, are answered "No" OR (b) Part III-A, line 3, is answered "Yes."

1	Dues, assessments and similar amounts from members	1	
2	Section 162(e) nondeductible lobbying and political expenditures (do not include amounts of political expenses for which the section 527(f) tax was paid).		
a	Current year	2a	
b	Carryover from last year	2b	
c	Total	2c	
3	Aggregate amount reported in section 6033(e)(1)(A) notices of nondeductible section 162(e) dues	3	
4	If notices were sent and the amount on line 2c exceeds the amount on line 3, what portion of the excess does the organization agree to carryover to the reasonable estimate of nondeductible lobbying and political expenditure next year?	4	
5	Taxable amount of lobbying and political expenditures (see instructions)	5	

Part IV Supplemental Information

Provide the descriptions required for Part I-A, line 1, Part I-B, line 4, Part I-C, line 5, Part II-A (affiliated group list), Part II-A, lines 1 and 2 (see instructions), and Part II-B, line 1. Also, complete this part for any additional information.

Return Reference	Explanation
PART II-B, LINE 1	THE AQUARIUM DEVOTED PART OF ITS LOBBYING ACTIVITIES TO MONITORING AND COMMUNICATING WITH THE FEDERAL, STATE AND LOCAL LEGISLATORS AND AGENCIES IN AN EFFORT TO FURTHER INITIATIVES WHICH MIGHT BENEFIT THE AQUARIUM. IN ADDITION TO MINIMAL EMPLOYEE TIME ALLOCATED TO LOBBYING, THE AQUARIUM PAID AN OUTSIDE CONSULTANT FOR THEIR LOBBYING SERVICES AND THE AQUARIUM SUPPORTED LOBBYING EFFORTS IN RELATION TO THE MUSEUM IN THE PARK COALITION IN SUPPORT OF THESE ACTIVITIES IN 2016.

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SCHEDULE D (Form 990) Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service		Supplemental Financial Statements ► Complete if the organization answered "Yes," on Form 990, Part IV, line 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11a, 11b, 11c, 11d, 11e, 11f, 12a, or 12b. ► Attach to Form 990. Information about Schedule D (Form 990) and its instructions is at www.irs.gov/form990.			OMB No 1545-0047 2016 Open to Public Inspection
Name of the organization SHEDD AQUARIUM SOCIETY				Employer identification number 36-2167918	
Part I Organizations Maintaining Donor Advised Funds or Other Similar Funds or Accounts. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 6.					
		(a) Donor advised funds		(b) Funds and other accounts	
1	Total number at end of year				
2	Aggregate value of contributions to (during year)				
3	Aggregate value of grants from (during year)				
4	Aggregate value at end of year				
5 Did the organization inform all donors and donor advisors in writing that the assets held in donor advised funds are the organization's property, subject to the organization's exclusive legal control? ☐ Yes ☐ No					
6 Did the organization inform all grantees, donors, and donor advisors in writing that grant funds can be used only for charitable purposes and not for the benefit of the donor or donor advisor, or for any other purpose conferring impermissible private benefit? ☐ Yes ☐ No					
Part II Conservation Easements. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 7.					
1 Purpose(s) of conservation easements held by the organization (check all that apply) ☐ Preservation of land for public use (e g , recreation or education) ☐ Preservation of an historically important land area ☐ Protection of natural habitat ☐ Preservation of a certified historic structure ☐ Preservation of open space					
2 Complete lines 2a through 2d if the organization held a qualified conservation contribution in the form of a conservation easement on the last day of the tax year					
				Held at the End of the Year	
a Total number of conservation easements				2a	
b Total acreage restricted by conservation easements				2b	
c Number of conservation easements on a certified historic structure included in (a)				2c	
d Number of conservation easements included in (c) acquired after 8/17/06, and not on a historic structure listed in the National Register				2d	
3 Number of conservation easements modified, transferred, released, extinguished, or terminated by the organization during the tax year ►					
4 Number of states where property subject to conservation easement is located ►					
5 Does the organization have a written policy regarding the periodic monitoring, inspection, handling of violations, and enforcement of the conservation easements it holds? ☐ Yes ☐ No					
6 Staff and volunteer hours devoted to monitoring, inspecting, handling of violations, and enforcing conservation easements during the year ►					
7 Amount of expenses incurred in monitoring, inspecting, handling of violations, and enforcing conservation easements during the year ► \$					
8 Does each conservation easement reported on line 2(d) above satisfy the requirements of section 170(h)(4)(B)(i) and section 170(h)(4)(B)(ii)? ☐ Yes ☐ No					
9 In Part XIII, describe how the organization reports conservation easements in its revenue and expense statement, and balance sheet, and include, if applicable, the text of the footnote to the organization's financial statements that describes the organization's accounting for conservation easements					
Part III Organizations Maintaining Collections of Art, Historical Treasures, or Other Similar Assets. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 8.					
1a If the organization elected, as permitted under SFAS 116 (ASC 958), not to report in its revenue statement and balance sheet works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets held for public exhibition, education, or research in furtherance of public service, provide, in Part XIII, the text of the footnote to its financial statements that describes these items					
b If the organization elected, as permitted under SFAS 116 (ASC 958), to report in its revenue statement and balance sheet works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets held for public exhibition, education, or research in furtherance of public service, provide the following amounts relating to these items					
(i) Revenue included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 1				► \$	
(ii) Assets included in Form 990, Part X				► \$	
2 If the organization received or held works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets for financial gain, provide the following amounts required to be reported under SFAS 116 (ASC 958) relating to these items					
a Revenue included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 1				► \$	
b Assets included in Form 990, Part X				► \$	
For Paperwork Reduction Act Notice, see the Instructions for Form 990.					
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Part III

Organizations Maintaining Collections of Art, Historical Treasures, or Other Similar Assets (continued)

3

Using the organization's acquisition, accession, and other records, check any of the following that are a significant use of its collection items (check all that apply)

a☒ Public exhibition

b☒ Scholarly research

c☒ Preservation for future generations

d☒ Loan or exchange programs

e☐ Other

4

Provide a description of the organization's collections and explain how they further the organization's exempt purpose in Part XIII

5

During the year, did the organization solicit or receive donations of art, historical treasures or other similar assets to be sold to raise funds rather than to be maintained as part of the organization's collection?

☐ Yes☒ No

Part IV

Escrow and Custodial Arrangements.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 9, or reported an amount on Form 990, Part X, line 21.

1a

Is the organization an agent, trustee, custodian or other intermediary for contributions or other assets not included on Form 990, Part X?

☐ Yes☐ No

b

If "Yes," explain the arrangement in Part XIII and complete the following table

	Amount
1c	
1d	
1e	
1f	

c

Beginning balance

d

Additions during the year

e

Distributions during the year

f

Ending balance

2a

Did the organization include an amount on Form 990, Part X, line 21, for escrow or custodial account liability?

☐ Yes☐ No

b

If "Yes," explain the arrangement in Part XIII Check here if the explanation has been provided in Part XIII

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Part V

Endowment Funds. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 10.

	(a)Current year	(b)Prior year	(c)Two years back	(d)Three years back	(e)Four years back	
1a	Beginning of year balance	203,736,411	209,734,912	205,251,592	177,008,134	152,794,627
b	Contributions	8,000	365,000		8,563,094	5,034,711
c	Net investment earnings, gains, and losses	10,596,548	-6,363,501	4,483,320	19,680,364	19,178,796
d	Grants or scholarships					
e	Other expenditures for facilities and programs					
f	Administrative expenses					
g	End of year balance	214,340,959	203,736,411	209,734,912	205,251,592	177,008,134

2

Provide the estimated percentage of the current year end balance (line 1g, column (a)) held as

a

Board designated or quasi-endowment ▶ 72 370 %

b

Permanent endowment ▶ 6 040 %

c

Temporarily restricted endowment ▶ 21 590 %

The percentages on lines 2a, 2b, and 2c should equal 100%

3a

Are there endowment funds not in the possession of the organization that are held and administered for the organization by

	Yes	No
(i) unrelated organizations		No
(ii) related organizations		No
b	If "Yes" on 3a(ii), are the related organizations listed as required on Schedule R?	

4

Describe in Part XIII the intended uses of the organization's endowment funds

Part VI

Land, Buildings, and Equipment.

Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' on Form 990, Part IV, line 11a. See Form 990, Part X, line 10.

Description of property	(a) Cost or other basis (investment)	(b) Cost or other basis (other)	(c) Accumulated depreciation	(d) Book value
1a	Land			
b	Buildings	104,197,519	48,933,389	55,264,130
c	Leasehold improvements	128,406,793	73,884,604	54,522,189
d	Equipment	56,799,149	40,949,590	15,849,559
e	Other	4,280,525		4,280,525
Total.	Add lines 1a through 1e (Column (d) must equal Form 990, Part X, column (B), line 10(c))			129,916,403

Part VII

Investments—Other Securities. Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' on Form 990, Part IV, line 11b.
See Form 990, Part X, line 12.

(a) Description of security or category (including name of security)	(b) Book value	(c) Method of valuation Cost or end-of-year market value
(1) Financial derivatives		
(2) Closely-held equity interests		
(3) Other _____		
(A) PRIVATE CAPITAL	195,226,078	F
(B) INTEREST IN REAL ASSET FUNDS	215,749	F
(C) GLOBAL FIXED INCOME	3,829,627	F
(C)		
(D)		
(E)		
(F)		
(G)		
(H)		
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col (B) line 12) ▶	199,271,454	

Part VIII

Investments—Program Related. Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' on Form 990, Part IV, line 11c.
See Form 990, Part X, line 13.

(a) Description of investment	(b) Book value	(c) Method of valuation Cost or end-of-year market value
(1)		
(2)		
(3)		
(4)		
(5)		
(6)		
(7)		
(8)		
(9)		
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col (B) line 13) ▶		

Part IX

Other Assets. Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' on Form 990, Part IV, line 11d See Form 990, Part X, line 15

(a) Description	(b) Book value
(1)	
(2)	
(3)	
(4)	
(5)	
(6)	
(7)	
(8)	
(9)	
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col (B) line 15) ▶	

Part X

Other Liabilities. Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' on Form 990, Part IV, line 11e or 11f.
See Form 990, Part X, line 25.

1. (a) Description of liability	(b) Book value
(1) Federal income taxes	
ACCRUED POST-RETIREMENT BENEFIT	3,865,336
(2)	
(3)	
(4)	
(5)	
(6)	
(7)	
(8)	
(9)	
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col (B) line 25) ▶	3,865,336

2. Liability for uncertain tax positions In Part XIII, provide the text of the footnote to the organization's financial statements that reports the organization's liability for uncertain tax positions under FIN 48 (ASC 740) Check here if the text of the footnote has been provided in Part XIII

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Part XI Reconciliation of Revenue per Audited Financial Statements With Revenue per Return

Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' on Form 990, Part IV, line 12a.

1	Total revenue, gains, and other support per audited financial statements	1	68,472,671
2	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12		
a	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	2a	12,063,366
b	Donated services and use of facilities	2b	
c	Recoveries of prior year grants	2c	
d	Other (Describe in Part XIII)	2d	1,460,240
e	Add lines 2a through 2d	2e	13,523,606
3	Subtract line 2e from line 1	3	54,949,065
4	Amounts included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, but not on line 1		
a	Investment expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b	4a	198,964
b	Other (Describe in Part XIII)	4b	
c	Add lines 4a and 4b	4c	198,964
5	Total revenue Add lines 3 and 4c . (This must equal Form 990, Part I, line 12)	5	55,148,029

Part XII Reconciliation of Expenses per Audited Financial Statements With Expenses per Return.

Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' on Form 990, Part IV, line 12a.

1	Total expenses and losses per audited financial statements	1	58,800,537
2	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part IX, line 25		
a	Donated services and use of facilities	2a	
b	Prior year adjustments	2b	
c	Other losses	2c	
d	Other (Describe in Part XIII)	2d	994,240
e	Add lines 2a through 2d	2e	994,240
3	Subtract line 2e from line 1	3	57,806,297
4	Amounts included on Form 990, Part IX, line 25, but not on line 1 :		
a	Investment expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b	4a	198,964
b	Other (Describe in Part XIII)	4b	
c	Add lines 4a and 4b	4c	198,964
5	Total expenses Add lines 3 and 4c . (This must equal Form 990, Part I, line 18)	5	58,005,261

Part XIII Supplemental Information

Provide the descriptions required for Part II, lines 3, 5, and 9, Part III, lines 1a and 4, Part IV, lines 1b and 2b, Part V, line 4, Part X, line 2, Part XI, lines 2d and 4b, and Part XII, lines 2d and 4b. Also complete this part to provide any additional information.

Return Reference	Explanation
See Additional Data Table	

Part XIII Supplemental Information *(continued)*

Return Reference	Explanation

Additional Data

Software ID:
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EIN: 36-2167918
Name: SHEDD AQUARIUM SOCIETY

Supplemental Information

Return Reference	Explanation
PART III, LINE 1A	LIVE ANIMAL INVENTORY THE COSTS OF PURCHASING OR COLLECTING LIVE ANIMALS ARE EXPENSED AS INCURRED DONATED SPECIMENS ARE NOT VALUED AND, THEREFORE, ARE NOT REFLECTED IN THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Supplemental Information

Return Reference	Explanation
PART III, LINE 4	THE AQUARIUM HOUSES ONE OF THE LARGEST AND MOST DIVERSE COLLECTIONS OF LIVE AQUATIC ANIMALS IN THE WORLD CURRENTLY, THIS INCLUDES 836 SPECIES OF FISHES AND 276 SPECIES OF INVERTEBRATES IN ADDITION THERE ARE OVER 47 SPECIES OF REPTILES, 29 SPECIES OF AMPHIBIANS, 8 SPECIES OF MAMMALS AND 8 SPECIES OF BIRDS ALTOGETHER, THE COLLECTIONS INCLUDE 1,800 FISHES AND INVERTEBRATES FROM 80 PROTECTED SPECIES ABOUT 1,700 OF THESE ANIMALS ARE OFF-EXHIBIT FOR BREEDING PURPOSES

Supplemental Information	
Return Reference	Explanation
PART V, LINE 4	THE INTENDED USES OF THE ENDOWMENT ARE TO FUND GENERAL OPERATIONS, EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS, CONSERVATION ACTIVITIES AND SPECIAL PROJECTS

Supplemental Information

Return Reference	Explanation
PART X, LINE 2	INCOME TAX LIABILITIES OR BENEFITS ARE RECOGNIZED AT THE TIME SUCH AMOUNTS HAVE BEEN INCURRED AND ARE REASONABLY ESTIMABLE ANY POTENTIAL INTEREST OR PENALTIES RELATED TO POSSIBLE FUTURE TAX LIABILITIES ARE RECORDED AS INCOME TAX EXPENSE THE SOCIETY BELIEVES IT HAS NO MATERIAL UNRECOGNIZED INCOME TAX BENEFITS OR LIABILITIES AT DECEMBER 31, 2016 AND 2015

Supplemental Information	
Return Reference	Explanation
PART XI, LINE 2D - OTHER ADJUSTMENTS	FUNDRAISING EVENTS 615,187 RENTAL EXPENSES 379,053 ACTUARIAL GAIN RELATED TO RETIREES MEDICAL PLAN 466,000

Supplemental Information	
Return Reference	Explanation
PART XII, LINE 2D - OTHER ADJUSTMENTS	FUNDRAISING EVENTS 615,187 RENTAL EXPENSES 379,053

**SCHEDULE F
(Form 990)**

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Name of the organization
SHEDD AQUARIUM SOCIETY

Statement of Activities Outside the United States

► Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990,
Part IV, line 14b, 15, or 16.

► Attach to Form 990. ► See separate instructions.

► Information about Schedule F (Form 990) and its instructions is at www.irs.gov/form990.

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Part I **General Information on Activities Outside the United States.** Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 14b.

1 For grantmakers. Does the organization maintain records to substantiate the amount of its grants and other assistance, the grantees' eligibility for the grants or assistance, and the selection criteria used to award the grants or assistance? ☐ Yes ☒ No

2 For grantmakers. Describe in Part V the organization's procedures for monitoring the use of its grants and other assistance outside the United States

3 Activities per Region (The following Part I, line 3 table can be duplicated if additional space is needed)

(a) Region	(b) Number of offices in the region	(c) Number of employees, agents, and independent contractors in region	(d) Activities conducted in region (by type) (e g , fundraising, program services, investments, grants to recipients located in the region)	(e) If activity listed in (d) is a program service, describe specific type of service(s) in region	(f) Total expenditures for and investments in region
See Add'l Data					
3a Sub-total	0	0			147,532
b Total from continuation sheets to Part I	0	0			3,955,648
c Totals (add lines 3a and 3b)	0	0			4,103,180

Part II **Grants and Other Assistance to Organizations or Entities Outside the United States.** Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 15, for any recipient who received more than \$5,000. Part II can be duplicated if additional space is needed.

1	(a) Name of organization	(b) IRS code section and EIN (if applicable)	(c) Region	(d) Purpose of grant	(e) Amount of cash grant	(f) Manner of cash disbursement	(g) Amount of non-cash assistance	(h) Description of non-cash assistance	(i) Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other)
			NORTH AMERICA	CONSERVATION	75,000	CHECK			

2 Enter total number of recipient organizations listed above that are recognized as charities by the foreign country, recognized as tax-exempt by the IRS, or for which the grantee or counsel has provided a section 501(c)(3) equivalency letter 1

3 Enter total number of other organizations or entities

Part III	Grants and Other Assistance to Individuals Outside the United States. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 16.
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Part III can be duplicated if additional space is needed.

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Part IV Foreign Forms

- 1 Was the organization a U S transferor of property to a foreign corporation during the tax year? *If "Yes," the organization may be required to file Form 926, Return by a U S Transferor of Property to a Foreign Corporation (see Instructions for Form 926)* ☒ Yes ☐ No
- 2 Did the organization have an interest in a foreign trust during the tax year? *If "Yes," the organization may be required to separately file Form 3520, Annual Return to Report Transactions with Foreign Trusts and Receipt of Certain Foreign Gifts, and/or Form 3520-A, Annual Information Return of Foreign Trust With a U S Owner (see Instructions for Forms 3520 and 3520-A)* ☐ Yes ☒ No
- 3 Did the organization have an ownership interest in a foreign corporation during the tax year? *If "Yes," the organization may be required to file Form 5471, Information Return of U S Persons with Respect to Certain Foreign Corporations (see Instructions for Form 5471)* ☐ Yes ☒ No
- 4 Was the organization a direct or indirect shareholder of a passive foreign investment company or a qualified electing fund during the tax year? *If "Yes," the organization may be required to file Form 8621, Information Return by a Shareholder of a Passive Foreign Investment Company or Qualified Electing Fund (see Instructions for Form 8621)* ☐ Yes ☒ No
- 5 Did the organization have an ownership interest in a foreign partnership during the tax year? *If "Yes," the organization may be required to file Form 8865, Return of U S Persons with Respect to Certain Foreign Partnerships (see Instructions for Form 8865)* ☒ Yes ☐ No
- 6 Did the organization have any operations in or related to any boycotting countries during the tax year? *If "Yes," the organization may be required to separately file Form 5713, International Boycott Report (see Instructions for Form 5713)* ☐ Yes ☒ No

Part V **Supplemental Information**

Provide the information required by Part I, line 2 (monitoring of funds); Part I, line 3, column (f) (accounting method; amounts of investments vs. expenditures per region); Part II, line 1 (accounting method); Part III (accounting method); and Part III, column (c) (estimated number of recipients), as applicable. Also complete this part to provide any additional information (see instructions).

990 Schedule F, Supplemental Information

Return Reference	Explanation
PART I, LINE 2	SHEDD REQUIRES REPORTS ON HOW FUNDS WERE EXPENDED AND ACCORDING TO PLAN AND EVALUATION OF RESULTS OF THE PROGRAM'S ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Additional Data

Software ID:

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Name: SHEDD AQUARIUM SOCIETY

Form 990 Schedule F Part I - Activities Outside The United States

(a) Region	(b) Number of offices in the region	(c) Number of employees or agents in region	(d) Activities conducted in region (by type) (i.e., fundraising, program services, grants to recipients located in the region)	(e) If activity listed in (d) is a program service, describe specific type of service(s) in region	(f) Total expenditures for region
NORTH AMERICA	0	0	GRANTS TO RECIPIENTS LOCATED IN THE REGION	CONSERVATION	79,310
NORTH AMERICA	0	0	PROGRAM SERVICES	CONSERVATION EDUCATION TRIPS	647
NORTH AMERICA	0	0	PROGRAM SERVICES	RESEARCH, RESCUE & REHABILITATION	650

Form 990 Schedule F Part I - Activities Outside The United States

(a) Region	(b) Number of offices in the region	(c) Number of employees or agents in region	(d) Activities conducted in region (by type) (i.e., fundraising, program services, grants to recipients located in the region)	(e) If activity listed in (d) is a program service, describe specific type of service(s) in region	(f) Total expenditures for region
NORTH AMERICA	0	0	PROGRAM SERVICES	CONFERENCE ATTENDANCE	19,935
CENTRAL AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN	0	0	PROGRAM SERVICES	CONSERVATION EDUCATION TRIPS	10,196
CENTRAL AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN	0	0	PROGRAM SERVICES	CONFERENCE ATTENDANCE	5,414

Form 990 Schedule F Part I - Activities Outside The United States

(a) Region	(b) Number of offices in the region	(c) Number of employees or agents in region	(d) Activities conducted in region (by type) (i.e., fundraising, program services, grants to recipients located in the region)	(e) If activity listed in (d) is a program service, describe specific type of service(s) in region	(f) Total expenditures for region
CENTRAL AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN	0	0	PROGRAM SERVICES	CONSERVATION RESEARCH TRIPS	30,882
SOUTH AMERICA	0	0	PROGRAM SERVICES	CONSERVATION EDUCATION TRIPS	498
EAST ASIA AND THE PACIFIC	0	0	PROGRAM SERVICES	CONFERENCE ATTENDANCE	2,465

Form 990 Schedule F Part I - Activities Outside The United States

(a) Region	(b) Number of offices in the region	(c) Number of employees or agents in region	(d) Activities conducted in region (by type) (i.e., fundraising, program services, grants to recipients located in the region)	(e) If activity listed in (d) is a program service, describe specific type of service(s) in region	(f) Total expenditures for region
EAST ASIA AND THE PACIFIC	0	0	PROGRAM SERVICES	CONSERVATION EDUCATION TRIPS	1,036
SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA	0	0	PROGRAM SERVICES	RESEARCH, RESCUE & REHABILITATION	16,460
EUROPE	0	0	PROGRAM SERVICES	CONFERENCE ATTENDANCE	3,973

Form 990 Schedule F Part I - Activities Outside The United States					
(a) Region	(b) Number of offices in the region	(c) Number of employees or agents in region	(d) Activities conducted in region (by type) (i.e., fundraising, program services, grants to recipients located in the region)	(e) If activity listed in (d) is a program service, describe specific type of service(s) in region	(f) Total expenditures for region
CENTRAL AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN	0	0	INVESTMENTS		3,928,975
NORTH AMERICA	0	0	PROGRAM SERVICE	AQUATIC RESEARCH	2,739

1 Indicate whether the organization raised funds through any of the following activities. Check all that apply.

- 2a** Did the organization have a written or oral agreement with any individual (including officers, directors, trustees or key employees listed in Form 990, Part VII) or entity in connection with professional fundraising services? ☐ Yes ☐ No
- b** If "Yes," list the ten highest paid individuals or entities (fundraisers) pursuant to agreements under which the fundraiser is to be compensated at least \$5,000 by the organization

3 List all states in which the organization is registered or licensed to solicit contributions or has been notified it is exempt from registration or licensing

Part II Fundraising Events. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 18, or reported more than \$15,000 of fundraising event contributions and gross income on Form 990-EZ, lines 1 and 6b. List events with gross receipts greater than \$5,000.

Revenue		(a) Event #1 TRUSTEE GALA (event type)	(b) Event #2 BLU (event type)	(c) Other events 1 (total number)	(d) Total events (add col (a) through col (c))
	1 Gross receipts	844,290	128,800	27,500	1,000,590
	2 Less Contributions	695,000			695,000
	3 Gross income (line 1 minus line 2)	149,290	128,800	27,500	305,590
Direct Expenses	4 Cash prizes				
	5 Noncash prizes				
	6 Rent/facility costs				
	7 Food and beverages				
	8 Entertainment				
	9 Other direct expenses	400,535	149,669	64,983	615,187
	10 Direct expense summary Add lines 4 through 9 in column (d) ▶				615,187
	11 Net income summary Subtract line 10 from line 3, column (d) ▶				-309,597

Part III Gaming. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 19, or reported more than \$15,000 on Form 990-EZ, line 6a.

Revenue		(a) Bingo	(b) Pull tabs/Instant bingo/progressive bingo	(c) Other gaming	(d) Total gaming (add col (a) through col (c))
	1 Gross revenue				
Direct Expenses	2 Cash prizes				
	3 Noncash prizes				
	4 Rent/facility costs				
	5 Other direct expenses				
	6 Volunteer labor	☐ Yes _____ % ☐ No	☐ Yes _____ % ☐ No	☐ Yes _____ % ☐ No	
	7 Direct expense summary Add lines 2 through 5 in column (d) ▶				
	8 Net gaming income summary Subtract line 7 from line 1, column (d) ▶				

9 Enter the state(s) in which the organization conducts gaming activities _____

a Is the organization licensed to conduct gaming activities in each of these states?

☐ Yes ☐ No

b If "No," explain _____

10a Were any of the organization's gaming licenses revoked, suspended or terminated during the tax year?

☐ Yes ☐ No

b If "Yes," explain _____

- 11** Does the organization conduct gaming activities with nonmembers? ☐ Yes ☐ No
- 12** Is the organization a grantor, beneficiary or trustee of a trust or a member of a partnership or other entity formed to administer charitable gaming? ☐ Yes ☐ No
- 13** Indicate the percentage of gaming activity conducted in
- | | | |
|--------------------------------------|------------|---|
| a The organization's facility | 13a | % |
| b An outside facility | 13b | % |
- 14** Enter the name and address of the person who prepares the organization's gaming/special events books and records

Name ►

Address ►

- 15a** Does the organization have a contract with a third party from whom the organization receives gaming revenue? ☐ Yes ☐ No

- b** If "Yes," enter the amount of gaming revenue received by the organization ► \$ _____ and the amount of gaming revenue retained by the third party ► \$ _____

- c** If "Yes," enter name and address of the third party

Name ►

Address ►

16 Gaming manager information

Name ►

Gaming manager compensation ► \$

Description of services provided ►

☐ Director/officer ☐ Employee ☐ Independent contractor

17 Mandatory distributions

- a** Is the organization required under state law to make charitable distributions from the gaming proceeds to retain the state gaming license? ☐ Yes ☐ No
- b** Enter the amount of distributions required under state law distributed to other exempt organizations or spent in the organization's own exempt activities during the tax year ► \$ _____

Part IV **Supplemental Information.** Provide the explanations required by Part I, line 2b, columns (iii) and (v); and Part III, lines 9, 9b, 10b, 15b, 15c, 16, and 17b, as applicable. Also complete this part to provide any additional information (see instructions).

Return Reference

Explanation

Schedule I
(Form 990)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Name of the organization
SHEDD AQUARIUM SOCIETY

Grants and Other Assistance to Organizations,
Governments and Individuals in the United States

Complete if the organization answered "Yes," on Form 990, Part IV, line 21 or 22.
▶ Attach to Form 990.
▶ Information about Schedule I (Form 990) and its instructions is at www.irs.gov/form990.

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Part I

General Information on Grants and Assistance

- 1 Does the organization maintain records to substantiate the amount of the grants or assistance, the grantees' eligibility for the grants or assistance, and the selection criteria used to award the grants or assistance?

☒ Yes ☐ No
- 2 Describe in Part IV the organization's procedures for monitoring the use of grant funds in the United States

Part II

Grants and Other Assistance to Domestic Organizations and Domestic Governments. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 21, for any recipient that received more than \$5,000. Part II can be duplicated if additional space is needed.

(a) Name and address of organization or government	(b) EIN	(c) IRC section if applicable	(d) Amount of cash grant	(e) Amount of non-cash assistance	(f) Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other)	(g) Description of non-cash assistance	(h) Purpose of grant or assistance
(1) INTERNATIONAL IGUANA FOUNDATION 1989 COLONIAL PARKWAY FORT WORTH, TX 76110	75-2954637	501(C)(3)	5,500				CONSERVATION
(2) ASSOCIATION OF ZOOS & AQUARIUMS 8403 COLESVILLE RD SILVER SPRING, MD 20910	55-0526930	501(C)(3)	25,000				CONSERVATION
(3) SOUTHERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY 900 S NORMAL AVE MC2709 CARBONDALE, IL 62901	37-6005961	GOVT	28,000				CONSERVATION RESEARCH
(4) SEWARD ASSOC FOR ADVANCEMENT OF MARINE SCIENCE PO BOX 1329 SEWARD, AK 99664	92-0132479	501(C)(3)	20,000				CONSERVATION RESEARCH
(5) MONTEREY BAY AQUARIUM 886 CANNERY ROW MONTEREY, CA 93940	94-2487469	501(C)(3)	20,000				CONSERVATION
(6) AMERICAN HUMANE ASSOCIATION 1400 16TH ST NW STE 360 WASHINGTON, DC 20036	84-0432950	501(C)(3)	20,000				CONSERVATION

2 Enter total number of section 501(c)(3) and government organizations listed in the line 1 table 6

3 Enter total number of other organizations listed in the line 1 table

Part III **Grants and Other Assistance to Domestic Individuals.** Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 22

Part III can be duplicated if additional space is needed

(a) Type of grant or assistance	(b) Number of recipients	(c) Amount of cash grant	(d) Amount of non-cash assistance	(e) Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other)	(f) Description of non-cash assistance
(1)					
(2)					
(3)					
(4)					
(5)					
(6)					
(7)					

Part IV **Supplemental Information.** Provide the information required in Part I, line 2, Part III, column (b), and any other additional information.

Return Reference	Explanation
PART I, LINE 2	SHEDD REQUIRES REPORTS ON HOW FUNDS WERE EXPENDED AND ACCORDING TO PLAN AND EVALUATION OF RESULTS OF THE PROGRAM'S ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Additional Data

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Name: SHEDD AQUARIUM SOCIETY

Form 990,Schedule I, Part II, Grants and Other Assistance to Domestic Organizations and Domestic Governments.

(a) Name and address of organization or government	(b) EIN	(c) IRC section if applicable	(d) Amount of cash grant	(e) Amount of non-cash assistance	(f) Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other)	(g) Description of non-cash assistance	(h) Purpose of grant or assistance
INTERNATIONAL IGUANA FOUNDATION 1989 COLONIAL PARKWAY FORT WORTH, TX 76110	75-2954637	501(C)(3)	5,500				CONSERVATION
ASSOCIATION OF ZOOS & AQUARIUMS 8403 COLESVILLE RD SILVER SPRING, MD 20910	55-0526930	501(C)(3)	25,000				CONSERVATION
SOUTHERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY 900 S NORMAL AVE MC2709 CARBONDALE, IL 62901	37-6005961	GOVT	28,000				CONSERVATION RESEARCH

Form 990, Schedule I, Part II, Grants and Other Assistance to Domestic Organizations and Domestic Governments.							
(a) Name and address of organization or government	(b) EIN	(c) IRC section if applicable	(d) Amount of cash grant	(e) Amount of non-cash assistance	(f) Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other)	(g) Description of non-cash assistance	(h) Purpose of grant or assistance
SEWARD ASSOC FOR ADVANCEMENT OF MARINE SCIENCE PO BOX 1329 SEWARD, AK 99664	92-0132479	501(C)(3)	20,000				CONSERVATION RESEARCH
MONTEREY BAY AQUARIUM 886 CANNERY ROW MONTEREY, CA 93940	94-2487469	501(C)(3)	20,000				CONSERVATION
AMERICAN HUMANE ASSOCIATION 1400 16TH ST NW STE 360 WASHINGTON, DC 20036	84-0432950	501(C)(3)	20,000				CONSERVATION

Schedule J
(Form 990)

Compensation Information

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Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

For certain Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees
▶ Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 23.
▶ Attach to Form 990.
▶ Information about Schedule J (Form 990) and its instructions is at www.irs.gov/form990.

Name of the organization
SHEDD AQUARIUM SOCIETY

Employer identification number
36-2167918

Part I Questions Regarding Compensation

	Yes	No									
1a Check the appropriate box(es) if the organization provided any of the following to or for a person listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a. Complete Part III to provide any relevant information regarding these items. <table border="0"> <tr> <td>☐ First-class or charter travel</td> <td>☐ Housing allowance or residence for personal use</td> </tr> <tr> <td>☐ Travel for companions</td> <td>☐ Payments for business use of personal residence</td> </tr> <tr> <td>☐ Tax indemnification and gross-up payments</td> <td>☒ Health or social club dues or initiation fees</td> </tr> <tr> <td>☐ Discretionary spending account</td> <td>☐ Personal services (e.g., maid, chauffeur, chef)</td> </tr> </table>	☐ First-class or charter travel	☐ Housing allowance or residence for personal use	☐ Travel for companions	☐ Payments for business use of personal residence	☐ Tax indemnification and gross-up payments	☒ Health or social club dues or initiation fees	☐ Discretionary spending account	☐ Personal services (e.g., maid, chauffeur, chef)			
☐ First-class or charter travel	☐ Housing allowance or residence for personal use										
☐ Travel for companions	☐ Payments for business use of personal residence										
☐ Tax indemnification and gross-up payments	☒ Health or social club dues or initiation fees										
☐ Discretionary spending account	☐ Personal services (e.g., maid, chauffeur, chef)										
b If any of the boxes in line 1a are checked, did the organization follow a written policy regarding payment or reimbursement or provision of all of the expenses described above? If "No," complete Part III to explain.	1b Yes										
2 Did the organization require substantiation prior to reimbursing or allowing expenses incurred by all directors, trustees, officers, including the CEO/Executive Director, regarding the items checked in line 1a?	2 Yes										
3 Indicate which, if any, of the following the filing organization used to establish the compensation of the organization's CEO/Executive Director. Check all that apply. Do not check any boxes for methods used by a related organization to establish compensation of the CEO/Executive Director, but explain in Part III. <table border="0"> <tr> <td>☒ Compensation committee</td> <td>☐ Written employment contract</td> </tr> <tr> <td>☒ Independent compensation consultant</td> <td>☒ Compensation survey or study</td> </tr> <tr> <td>☒ Form 990 of other organizations</td> <td>☒ Approval by the board or compensation committee</td> </tr> </table>	☒ Compensation committee	☐ Written employment contract	☒ Independent compensation consultant	☒ Compensation survey or study	☒ Form 990 of other organizations	☒ Approval by the board or compensation committee					
☒ Compensation committee	☐ Written employment contract										
☒ Independent compensation consultant	☒ Compensation survey or study										
☒ Form 990 of other organizations	☒ Approval by the board or compensation committee										
4 During the year, did any person listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a with respect to the filing organization or a related organization: <table border="0"> <tr> <td>a Receive a severance payment or change-of-control payment?</td> <td>4a</td> <td>No</td> </tr> <tr> <td>b Participate in, or receive payment from, a supplemental nonqualified retirement plan?</td> <td>4b</td> <td>Yes</td> </tr> <tr> <td>c Participate in, or receive payment from, an equity-based compensation arrangement?</td> <td>4c</td> <td>No</td> </tr> </table> If "Yes" to any of lines 4a-c, list the persons and provide the applicable amounts for each item in Part III.	a Receive a severance payment or change-of-control payment?	4a	No	b Participate in, or receive payment from, a supplemental nonqualified retirement plan?	4b	Yes	c Participate in, or receive payment from, an equity-based compensation arrangement?	4c	No		
a Receive a severance payment or change-of-control payment?	4a	No									
b Participate in, or receive payment from, a supplemental nonqualified retirement plan?	4b	Yes									
c Participate in, or receive payment from, an equity-based compensation arrangement?	4c	No									
Only 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations must complete lines 5-9.											
5 For persons listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization pay or accrue any compensation contingent on the revenues of: <table border="0"> <tr> <td>a The organization?</td> <td>5a</td> <td>Yes</td> </tr> <tr> <td>b Any related organization?</td> <td>5b</td> <td>No</td> </tr> </table> If "Yes," on line 5a or 5b, describe in Part III.	a The organization?	5a	Yes	b Any related organization?	5b	No					
a The organization?	5a	Yes									
b Any related organization?	5b	No									
6 For persons listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization pay or accrue any compensation contingent on the net earnings of: <table border="0"> <tr> <td>a The organization?</td> <td>6a</td> <td>No</td> </tr> <tr> <td>b Any related organization?</td> <td>6b</td> <td>No</td> </tr> </table> If "Yes," on line 6a or 6b, describe in Part III.	a The organization?	6a	No	b Any related organization?	6b	No					
a The organization?	6a	No									
b Any related organization?	6b	No									
7 For persons listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization provide any non-fixed payments not described in lines 5 and 6? If "Yes," describe in Part III.	7 Yes										
8 Were any amounts reported on Form 990, Part VII, paid or accrued pursuant to a contract that was subject to the initial contract exception described in Regulations section 53.4958-4(a)(3)? If "Yes," describe in Part III.	8 Yes										
9 If "Yes" on line 8, did the organization also follow the rebuttable presumption procedure described in Regulations section 53.4958-6(c)?	9 Yes										

Part II Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees. Use duplicate copies if additional space is needed.

For each individual whose compensation must be reported on Schedule J, report compensation from the organization on row (i) and from related organizations, described in the instructions, on row (ii). Do not list any individuals that are not listed on Form 990, Part VII.

Note. The sum of columns (B)(i)-(iii) for each listed individual must equal the total amount of Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, applicable column (D) and (E) amounts for that individual.

(A) Name and Title	(B) Breakdown of W-2 and/or 1099-MISC compensation			(C) Retirement and other deferred compensation	(D) Nontaxable benefits	(E) Total of columns (B)(i)-(D)	(F) Compensation in column (B) reported as deferred on prior Form 990
	(i) Base compensation	(ii) Bonus & incentive compensation	(iii) Other reportable compensation				
See Additional Data Table							

Part III Supplemental Information

Provide the information, explanation, or descriptions required for Part I, lines 1a, 1b, 3, 4a, 4b, 4c, 5a, 5b, 6a, 6b, 7, and 8, and for Part II. Also complete this part for any additional information.

Return Reference	Explanation
PART I, LINE 1A	LINE 1A - HEALTH OR SOCIAL CLUB DUES OR INITIATION FEES - THE PRESIDENT/CEO WAS PROVIDED CERTAIN SOCIAL CLUB DUES, THE PORTION OF THIS BENEFIT NOT RELATED TO BONA FIDE BUSINESS PURPOSES WAS TREATED AS TAXABLE COMPENSATION
PART I, LINE 4B	THE PRESIDENT/CEO PARTICIPATES IN A SUPPLEMENTAL NON-QUALIFIED RETIREMENT PLAN AS DESCRIBED IN 457(F). A BENEFIT OF \$18,000 WAS ACCRUED DURING 2016.
PART I, LINE 5	LINE 5A - A PORTION OF THE BONUSES PAID TO CERTAIN PERSONS LISTED IN PART VII, SECTION A, LINE 1A WERE CONTINGENT ON A PORTION OF THE ORGANIZATION'S REVENUES.
PART I, LINE 7	PART 7A - BONUSES WERE PAID TO CERTAIN PERSONS LISTED IN PART VII, SECTION A, LINE 1A AT THE DISCRETION OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES AND PRESIDENT/CEO.
PART I, LINE 8	THE PRESIDENT AND CEO WAS HIRED ON 4/11/2016 AND IS BEING PAID PURSUANT TO THIS INITIAL CONTRACT.

Additional Data

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Form 990, Schedule J, Part II - Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees

(A) Name and Title		(B) Breakdown of W-2 and/or 1099-MISC compensation			(C) Retirement and other deferred compensation	(D) Nontaxable benefits	(E) Total of columns (B)(i)-(D)	(F) Compensation in column (B) reported as deferred on prior Form 990
		(i) Base Compensation	(ii) Bonus & incentive compensation	(iii) Other reportable compensation				
1TED BEATTIE SPECIAL ADVISOR/FORMER PRES & CEO	(i)	575,820	298,350	24,000	15,900	11,554	925,624	0
	(ii)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1BRIDGET COUGHLIN TRUSTEE, PRES, & CEO (STARTING 4/16)	(i)	283,766	0	0	18,000	21,751	323,517	0
	(ii)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2JOYCE SIMON EXECUTIVE VP/CFO/TREASURER/SECRETARY	(i)	280,524	20,000	41,992	15,900	11,323	369,739	0
	(ii)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
3MIKE DELFINI COO/EXECUTIVE VP	(i)	264,048	45,000	14,154	15,900	19,771	358,873	0
	(ii)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
4ROGER GERMANN FORMER EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT	(i)	199,496	20,000	18,000	6,889	11,524	255,909	0
	(ii)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
5JENNIFER BARYL SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT	(i)	171,794	30,000	24,000	11,942	6,825	244,561	0
	(ii)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
6TIMOTHY BINDER EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT	(i)	182,669	15,000	0	3,800	19,648	221,117	0
	(ii)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
7MEGHAN CURRAN SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT	(i)	159,155	15,000	17,231	10,473	6,872	208,731	0
	(ii)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
8NANCY ANSHEL SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT	(i)	171,654	10,000	19,973	11,984	11,096	224,707	0
	(ii)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
9SANDY MAREK SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT	(i)	175,368	10,000	9,750	11,700	19,369	226,187	0
	(ii)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
10ROBERT WENGEL VICE PRESIDENT	(i)	179,128	500	9,730	11,677	19,654	220,689	0
	(ii)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
11CHERYL MELL SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT	(i)	156,314	7,500	18,000	10,694	6,798	199,306	0
	(ii)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
12ERIC ARNQUIST VICE PRESIDENT	(i)	150,025	8,000	6,997	5,597	16,190	186,809	0
	(ii)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Schedule K
(Form 990)

Supplemental Information on Tax Exempt Bonds

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Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 24a. Provide descriptions, explanations, and any additional information in Part VI.
Attach to Form 990.

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Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Name of the organization
SHEDD AQUARIUM SOCIETY

Employer identification number
36-2167918

Part I

Bond Issues

(a) Issuer name	(b) Issuer EIN	(c) CUSIP #	(d) Date issued	(e) Issue price	(f) Description of purpose	(g) Defeased		(h) On behalf of issuer		(i) Pool financing	
						Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
A ILLINOIS FINANCE AUTHORITY	86-1091967	000000000	07-29-2015	22,945,000	REFUND 2005 BONDS		X		X		X

Part II

Proceeds

	A		B		C		D	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
1 Amount of bonds retired		1,440,000						
2 Amount of bonds legally defeased								
3 Total proceeds of issue		22,945,000						
4 Gross proceeds in reserve funds								
5 Capitalized interest from proceeds								
6 Proceeds in refunding escrows		22,945,000						
7 Issuance costs from proceeds								
8 Credit enhancement from proceeds								
9 Working capital expenditures from proceeds								
10 Capital expenditures from proceeds								
11 Other spent proceeds								
12 Other unspent proceeds								
13 Year of substantial completion								
14 Were the bonds issued as part of a current refunding issue?	X							
15 Were the bonds issued as part of an advance refunding issue?		X						
16 Has the final allocation of proceeds been made?	X							
17 Does the organization maintain adequate books and records to support the final allocation of proceeds?	X							

Part III

Private Business Use

	A		B		C		D	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
1 Was the organization a partner in a partnership, or a member of an LLC, which owned property financed by tax-exempt bonds?								
2 Are there any lease arrangements that may result in private business use of bond-financed property?								

Part III Private Business Use (Continued)

	A		B		C		D	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
3a Are there any management or service contracts that may result in private business use of bond-financed property?								
b If "Yes" to line 3a, does the organization routinely engage bond counsel or other outside counsel to review any management or service contracts relating to the financed property?								
c Are there any research agreements that may result in private business use of bond-financed property?								
d If "Yes" to line 3c, does the organization routinely engage bond counsel or other outside counsel to review any research agreements relating to the financed property?								
4 Enter the percentage of financed property used in a private business use by entities other than a section 501(c)(3) organization or a state or local government ▶								
5 Enter the percentage of financed property used in a private business use as a result of unrelated trade or business activity carried on by your organization, another section 501(c)(3) organization, or a state or local government ▶								
6 Total of lines 4 and 5								
7 Does the bond issue meet the private security or payment test? . . .								
8a Has there been a sale or disposition of any of the bond-financed property to a nongovernmental person other than a 501(c)(3) organization since the bonds were issued?								
b If "Yes" to line 8a, enter the percentage of bond-financed property sold or disposed of . .								
c If "Yes" to line 8a, was any remedial action taken pursuant to Regulations sections 1.141-12 and 1.145-2?								
9 Has the organization established written procedures to ensure that all nonqualified bonds of the issue are remediated in accordance with the requirements under Regulations sections 1.141-12 and 1.145-2?								

Part IV Arbitrage

	A		B		C		D	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
1 Has the issuer filed Form 8038-T, Arbitrage Rebate, Yield Reduction and Penalty in Lieu of Arbitrage Rebate? . . .		X						
2 If "No" to line 1, did the following apply?								
a Rebate not due yet?	X							
b Exception to rebate?	X							
c No rebate due?	X							
If "Yes" to line 2c, provide in Part VI the date the rebate computation was performed								
3 Is the bond issue a variable rate issue?		X						
4a Has the organization or the governmental issuer entered into a qualified hedge with respect to the bond issue?		X						
b Name of provider								
c Term of hedge								
d Was the hedge superintegrated?								
e Was the hedge terminated?								

Part IV Arbitrage (Continued)

	A		B		C		D	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
5a Were gross proceeds invested in a guaranteed investment contract (GIC)?		X						
b Name of provider								
c Term of GIC								
d Was the regulatory safe harbor for establishing the fair market value of the GIC satisfied?								
6 Were any gross proceeds invested beyond an available temporary period?		X						
7 Has the organization established written procedures to monitor the requirements of section 148?	X							

Part V Procedures To Undertake Corrective Action

	A		B		C		D	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Has the organization established written procedures to ensure that violations of federal tax requirements are timely identified and corrected through the voluntary closing agreement program if self-remediation is not available under applicable regulations?	X							

Part VI Supplemental Information. Provide additional information for responses to questions on Schedule K (see instructions).

Return Reference	Explanation
DATE REBATE COMPUTATION PERFORMED	ISSUER NAME ILLINOIS FINANCE AUTHORITY DATE THE REBATE COMPUTATION WAS PERFORMED 10/06/2015

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SCHEDULE M
(Form 990)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Noncash Contributions

►Complete if the organizations answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, lines 29 or 30.
►Attach to Form 990.
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Part I	Types of Property	(a) Check if applicable	(b) Number of contributions or items contributed	(c) Noncash contribution amounts reported on Form 990, Part VIII, line 1g	(d) Method of determining noncash contribution amounts
1	Art—Works of art				
2	Art—Historical treasures				
3	Art—Fractional interests				
4	Books and publications				
5	Clothing and household goods				
6	Cars and other vehicles				
7	Boats and planes				
8	Intellectual property				
9	Securities—Publicly traded	X	34	703,106	FAIR MARKET VALUE
10	Securities—Closely held stock				
11	Securities—Partnership, LLC, or trust interests				
12	Securities—Miscellaneous				
13	Qualified conservation contribution—Historic structures				
14	Qualified conservation contribution—Other				
15	Real estate—Residential				
16	Real estate—Commercial				
17	Real estate—Other				
18	Collectibles				
19	Food inventory				
20	Drugs and medical supplies				
21	Taxidermy				
22	Historical artifacts				
23	Scientific specimens				
24	Archeological artifacts				
25	Other ► (FOOD & BEVERAGE)	X	35	244,492	FAIR MARKET VALUE
26	Other ► (AIRLINE TICKETS)	X	48	101,947	FAIR MARKET VALUE
27	Other ► (MISCELLANEOUS)	X	1	24,932	FAIR MARKET VALUE
28	Other ► (MACHINERY & EQUIPMENT)	X	1	6,743	FAIR MARKET VALUE
29	Number of Forms 8283 received by the organization during the tax year for contributions for which the organization completed Form 8283, Part IV, Donee Acknowledgement			29	
30a	During the year, did the organization receive by contribution any property reported in Part I, lines 1 through 28, that it must hold for at least three years from the date of the initial contribution, and which is not required to be used for exempt purposes for the entire holding period?				
b	If "Yes," describe the arrangement in Part II				
31	Does the organization have a gift acceptance policy that requires the review of any non-standard contributions?				
32a	Does the organization hire or use third parties or related organizations to solicit, process, or sell noncash contributions?				
b	If "Yes," describe in Part II				
33	If the organization did not report an amount in column (c) for a type of property for which column (a) is checked, describe in Part II				

Part II**Supplemental Information.**

Provide the information required by Part I, lines 30b, 32b, and 33, and whether the organization is reporting in Part I, column (b), the number of contributions, the number of items received, or a combination of both. Also complete this part for any additional information.

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Explanation

SCHEDULE O
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Name of the organization
SHEDD AQUARIUM SOCIETY

Supplemental Information to Form 990 or 990-EZ

Complete to provide information for responses to specific questions on
Form 990 or 990-EZ or to provide any additional information.

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990 Schedule O, Supplemental Information

Return Reference	Explanation
FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION A, LINE 1	THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES HAS THE POWER AND AUTHORITY OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES AND MAY ACT ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES BETWEEN MEETINGS OF THE BOARD, SUBJECT TO CERTAIN LIMITATIONS UNDER THE TERMS OF THE ORGANIZATION'S BYLAWS, THE EXECUTIV E COMMITTEE IS MADE UP OF FIVE TO TEN MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES ELECTED BY THE BOAR D AT ITS ANNUAL MEETING, IN ADDITION, THE CHAIRPERSON OF THE BOARD SERVES AS AN EX OFFICIO MEMBER WITH A VOTE

990 Schedule O, Supplemental Information

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FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION A, LINE 2	TRUSTEES ANDERS GUSTAFSSON AND RICHARD L KEYSER HAVE A BUSINESS RELATIONSHIP TRUSTEES RE EVE BYRON WAUD AND WADE D MIQUELON HAVE A BUSINESS RELATIONSHIP

990 Schedule O, Supplemental Information

Return Reference	Explanation
FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION A, LINE 3	THE ORGANIZATION CONTRACTS WITH SODEXO AMERICA, LLC AND EVENT NETWORK, INC TO MANAGE AND OPERATE FOOD SERVICES AND GIFT SHOPS, RESPECTIVELY, AT THE AQUARIUM

990 Schedule O, Supplemental Information

Return Reference	Explanation
FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION B, LINE 11B	THE COMPLETED FORM 990, INCLUDING SCHEDULES, WAS DISTRIBUTED TO THE MEMBERS OF THE FINANCE AND AUDIT COMMITTEE (THE COMMITTEE) OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES. THE COMMITTEE MET WITH THE ORGANIZATION'S PRESIDENT/CEO AND CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER TO REVIEW THE FORM 990 AND RELATED SCHEDULES. SUBSEQUENTLY, EACH TRUSTEE WAS REQUESTED TO REVIEW THE FINAL FORM 990, INCLUDING SCHEDULES, WHICH HAD BEEN UPLOADED TO THE TRUSTEES' EXTRANET SITE. ALL QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS WERE DIRECTED TO THE ORGANIZATION'S CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER.

990 Schedule O, Supplemental Information

Return Reference	Explanation
FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION B, LINE 12C	ANNUALLY, TRUSTEES, AFFILIATES, EMPLOYEES AND VOLUNTEERS ARE ASKED TO REVIEW THE ORGANIZATION'S CODE OF ETHICS AND COMPLETE A CODE OF ETHICS STATEMENT AND QUESTIONNAIRE, WHICH INCLUDES THEIR AGREEMENT TO REPORT PROMPTLY ANY REPORTABLE MATTERS SUCH STATEMENTS ARE REVIEWED AND EVALUATED BY THE FINANCE AND AUDIT COMMITTEE OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

990 Schedule O, Supplemental Information

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FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION B, LINE 15	THE HUMAN CAPITAL COMMITTEE (THE COMMITTEE) OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES IS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE ANNUAL REVIEW OF THE COMPENSATION OF THE OFFICERS AND KEY EMPLOYEES OF THE ORGANIZATION. ALL MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE ARE INDEPENDENT. IN DETERMINING THE COMPENSATION OF THE PRESIDENT/CEO, THE COMMITTEE EVALUATES HER PERFORMANCE AGAINST PREVIOUSLY AGREED UPON CRITERIA, CONSIDERS COMPARABLE MARKET DATA, THEN DEBATES AND DOCUMENTS ITS RECOMMENDATION OF REASONABLE COMPENSATION. IN DETERMINING THE COMPENSATION OF OTHER OFFICERS AND KEY EMPLOYEES, THE SAME PROCEDURES ARE PERFORMED, HOWEVER, THE COMMITTEE CONSIDERS THE CEO'S EVALUATION OF THE STAFFS' PERFORMANCE. THE RECOMMENDATIONS ARE THEN TAKEN TO THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE BOARD FOR FINAL REVIEW AND ACTION. AS OF APRIL 11, 2016, THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES HIRED A REPLACEMENT FOR THE RETIRING PRESIDENT AND CEO. IN DETERMINING THE COMPENSATION OFFER TO THE SUCCESSFUL CANDIDATE, THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES CONSIDERED NOT ONLY THE CANDIDATE'S CREDENTIALS AND SALARY HISTORY BUT ALSO MARKET DATA AND ANALYSIS PREPARED BY THE BOARD'S INDEPENDENT EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION CONSULTANT AND INPUT FROM THE INDEPENDENT FIRM HIRED BY THE BOARD TO CONDUCT THE SEARCH.

990 Schedule O, Supplemental Information

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FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION C, LINE 19	CERTAIN OF THE ORGANIZATION'S GOVERNING DOCUMENTS ARE MADE AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST ITS AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND PUBLIC-DISCLOSURE COPIES OF ITS FORM 990 ARE INCLUDED ON ITS WEB SITE

990 Schedule O, Supplemental Information

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FORM 990, PART XI, LINE 9	ACTUARIAL GAIN RELATED TO RETIREES MEDICAL PLAN 466,000