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Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

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

2016

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Internal Revenue Service

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A For the 2016 calendar year, or tax year beginning **2016**, and ending **2016**, and ending **20**

B Check if applicable: <input type="checkbox"/> Address change <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Name change <input type="checkbox"/> Initial return <input type="checkbox"/> Final return/terminated <input type="checkbox"/> Amended return <input type="checkbox"/> Application pending	C Name of organization NCF Transition, Inc F/K/A National Cherry Festival, Inc		D Employer identification number 38-1319574
	Doing business as		E Telephone number 231-947-4230
Number and street (or P.O. box if mail is not delivered to street address)		Room/suite	
250 East Front Street		301	G Gross receipts \$ 33,692
City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code			
Traverse City Michigan 49684		F Name and address of principal officer Kevin Jaeger, 250 E Front St, Ste 301, Traverse City, MI 49684	
I Tax-exempt status: <input type="checkbox"/> 501(c)(3) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 501(c) (4) ◀ (insert no.) <input type="checkbox"/> 4947(a)(1) or <input type="checkbox"/> 527		H(a) Is this a group return for subordinates? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No H(b) Are all subordinates included? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No If "No," attach a list (see instructions)	
J Website: ▶ www.cherryfestival.org		H(c) Group exemption number ▶	
K Form of organization: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Corporation <input type="checkbox"/> Trust <input type="checkbox"/> Association <input type="checkbox"/> Other ▶		L Year of formation. 1926	M State of legal domicile. MI

Part I Summary

Activities & Governance	1 Briefly describe the organization's mission or most significant activities: Founded in 1926, the mission of the National Cherry Festival is to celebrate and promote cherries, tourism and community involvement. The National Cherry Festival operates an eight day festival during the month of July.		
	2 Check this box <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 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)	3	14
	4 Number of independent voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1b)	4	14
	5 Total number of individuals employed in calendar year 2016 (Part V, line 2a)	5	9
	6 Total number of volunteers (estimate if necessary)	6	70
	7a Total unrelated business revenue from Part VIII, column (C), line 12	7a	
b Net unrelated business taxable income from Form 990-T, line 34	7b		
Revenue	8 Contributions and grants (Part VII, line 1h)	Prior Year: 311,750	Current Year: 0
	9 Program service revenue (Part VIII, line 2g)	1,409,188	32,022
	10 Investment income (Part VIII, column (A), lines 3, 4, and 7d)	421	94
	11 Other revenue (Part VIII, column (A), lines 5, 6d, 8c, 9c, 10c, and 11e)	383,242	1,582
	12 Total revenue—add lines 8 through 11 (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	2,104,601	33,698
	13 Grants and similar amounts paid (Part IX, column (A), lines 1-3)	56,423	
	14 Benefits paid to or for members (Part IX, column (A), line 4)		
Expenses	15 Salaries, other compensation, employee benefits (Part IX, column (A), lines 5-10)	401,699	91,313
	16a Professional fundraising fees (Part IX, column (A), line 11e)		
	b Total fundraising expenses (Part IX, column (D), line 25) ▶		
	17 Other expenses (Part IX, column (A), lines 11a-11d, 11f-24e)	1,614,940	77,902
	18 Total expenses. Add lines 13-17 (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	2,073,062	169,215
19 Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 18 from line 12	31,539	-135,517	
Net Assets or Fund Balances	20 Total assets (Part X, line 16)	Beginning of Current Year: 601,181	End of Year: 70,267
	21 Total liabilities (Part X, line 26)	46,079	
	22 Net assets or fund balances. Subtract line 21 from line 20	555,102	70,267

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	<i>Kathleen Paep</i> Signature of officer	Date
	Kathleen Paep, Executive Director Type or print name and title	3/16/17

Paid Preparer Use Only	Print/Type preparer's name Karen S Siekas	Preparer's signature <i>Karen S Siekas</i>	Date 3/15/17	Check <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> if self-employed	PTIN P01634153
	Firm's name ▶ Karen S Siekas CPA LLC	Firm's EIN ▶ 45-4775935		Phone no. 231-735-3071	
	Firm's address ▶ 4414 Maplewood Lane, Traverse City, MI 49684				

May the IRS discuss this return with the preparer shown above? (see instructions) Yes No

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Part III Statement of Program Service Accomplishments

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

1 Briefly describe the organization's mission:
Founded in 1926, the mission of the National Cherry Festival is to celebrate and promote cherries, tourism and community involvement

2 Did the organization undertake any significant program services during the year which were not listed on the 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 program services? 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 \$ 15,126 including grants of \$) (Revenue \$ 33,698)
The National Cherry Festival hosts the annual Leapin Leprechan 5k foot race. The race takes place over the St Patrick's Day weekend. In 2016, 922 runners participated in the event.

4b (Code:) (Expenses \$ 56,838 including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)
From January 1 - April 30, 2017, the program service employees conducted preliminary planning for the 2016 National Cherry Festival

4c (Code:) (Expenses \$ including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)

4d Other program services (Describe in Schedule O.)
(Expenses \$ including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)

4e Total program service expenses ▶ 71,964

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)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule A</i>		✓
2	Is the organization required to complete <i>Schedule B, Schedule of Contributors</i> (see instructions)?		✓
3	Did the organization engage in direct or indirect political campaign activities on behalf of or in opposition to candidates for public office? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part I</i>		✓
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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part II</i>		
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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part III</i>		✓
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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part I</i>		✓
7	Did the organization receive or hold a conservation easement, including easements to preserve open space, the environment, historic land areas, or historic structures? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part II</i>		✓
8	Did the organization maintain collections of works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part III</i>		✓
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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part IV</i>		✓
10	Did the organization, directly or through a related organization, hold assets in temporarily restricted endowments, permanent endowments, or quasi-endowments? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part V</i>		✓
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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VI</i>		✓
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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VII</i>		✓
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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VIII</i>		✓
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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part IX</i>	✓	
e	Did the organization report an amount for other liabilities in Part X, line 25? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X</i>		✓
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)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X</i>		✓
12 a	Did the organization obtain separate, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Parts XI and XII</i>		✓
b	Was the organization included in consolidated, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? <i>If "Yes," and if the organization answered "No" to line 12a, then completing Schedule D, Parts XI and XII is optional</i>		
13	Is the organization a school described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule E</i>		✓
14 a	Did the organization maintain an office, employees, or agents outside of the United States?		✓
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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts I and IV</i>		✓
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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts II and IV</i>		✓
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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts III and IV</i>		✓
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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part I</i> (see instructions)		✓
18	Did the organization report more than \$15,000 total of fundraising event gross income and contributions on Part VIII, lines 1c and 8a? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part II</i>		✓
19	Did the organization report more than \$15,000 of gross income from gaming activities on Part VIII, line 9a? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part III</i>		✓

Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules (continued)

	Yes	No
20 a Did the organization operate one or more hospital facilities? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule H</i>		✓
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>		✓
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>		✓
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>		✓
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>		✓
b Did the organization invest any proceeds of tax-exempt bonds beyond a temporary period exception?		
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?		
d Did the organization act as an "on behalf of" issuer for bonds outstanding at any time during the year?		
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>		✓
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>		✓
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>		✓
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>		✓
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>		✓
b A family member of a current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV</i>		✓
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>		✓
29 Did the organization receive more than \$25,000 in non-cash contributions? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule M</i>		✓
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>		✓
31 Did the organization liquidate, terminate, or dissolve and cease operations? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part I</i>		✓
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>	✓	
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>		✓
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>	X	
35a Did the organization have a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)?		✓
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>		
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>		
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.	✓	

Part V Statements Regarding Other IRS Filings and Tax Compliance

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

Table with columns for line numbers (1a-14b), descriptions, and Yes/No checkboxes. Includes sections for gaming winnings, employee reporting, unrelated business income, foreign accounts, prohibited tax shelter transactions, charitable contributions, and 501(c)(7), (12), and (29) organizations.

Part VI Governance, Management, and Disclosure For each "Yes" response to lines 2 through 7b below, and for a "No" response to line 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.		
	1a 14		
b	Enter the number of voting members included in line 1a, above, who are independent		
	1b 14		
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?		✓
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?		✓
4	Did the organization make any significant changes to its governing documents since the prior Form 990 was filed?	✓	
5	Did the organization become aware during the year of a significant diversion of the organization's assets?		✓
6	Did the organization have members or stockholders?		✓
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?		✓
b	Are any governance decisions of the organization reserved to (or subject to approval by) members, stockholders, or persons other than the governing body?		✓
8	Did the organization contemporaneously document the meetings held or written actions undertaken during the year by the following:		
a	The governing body?	✓	
b	Each committee with authority to act on behalf of the governing body?	✓	
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		✓

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?		x
b	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?	✓	
b	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	✓	
b	Were officers, directors, or trustees, and key employees required to disclose annually interests that could give rise to conflicts?	✓	
c	Did the organization regularly and consistently monitor and enforce compliance with the policy? If "Yes," describe in Schedule O how this was done	✓	
13	Did the organization have a written whistleblower policy?	✓	
14	Did the organization have a written document retention and destruction policy?	✓	
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?		
a	The organization's CEO, Executive Director, or top management official	✓	
b	Other officers or key employees of the organization	✓	
	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?		✓
b	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 ► Michigan
- 18** Section 6104 requires an organization to make its Forms 1023 (or 1024 if applicable), 990, and 990-T (Section 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: ►
 Kat Paye, 250 E Front St, Ste 301, Traverse City, MI 49684, 231-947-4230

Part VII Compensation of Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, Highest Compensated Employees, and Independent Contractors

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

Section A. Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees

1a Complete this table for all persons required to be listed. Report compensation for the calendar year ending with or within the organization's tax year.

- List all of the organization's **current** officers, directors, trustees (whether individuals or organizations), regardless of amount of compensation. Enter -0- in columns (D), (E), and (F) if no compensation was paid.
- List all of the organization's **current** key employees, if any. See instructions for definition of "key employee."
- List the organization's five **current** highest compensated employees (other than an officer, director, trustee, or key employee) who received reportable compensation (Box 5 of Form W-2 and/or Box 7 of Form 1099-MISC) of more than \$100,000 from the organization and any related organizations.
- List all of the organization's **former** officers, key employees, and highest compensated employees who received more than \$100,000 of reportable compensation from the organization and any related organizations.
- List all of the organization's **former directors or trustees** that received, in the capacity as a former director or trustee of the organization, more than \$10,000 of reportable compensation from the organization and any related organizations.

List persons in the following order: individual trustees or directors; institutional trustees; officers; key employees; highest compensated employees; and former such persons.

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

(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			
(1) Kevin Jaeger, President	6	x		x			0	0	0	
(2) Ian Hollands, President Elect	2	x		x			0	0	0	
(3) Justin Wolf, Treasurer	6	x		x			0	0	0	
(4) Colleen Paveglio, Secretary	2	x		x			0	0	0	
(5) Jamie Callahan, Past President	2	x		x			0	0	0	
(6) Christal Frost Anderson	2	x					0	0	0	
(7) David Barr, Board Member	2	x					0	0	0	
(8) Dawn Centilli, Board Member	2	x					0	0	0	
(9) Brent Fedorinichik, Board Member	2	x					0	0	0	
(10) Meredith Hawes, Board Member	2	x					0	0	0	
(11) Bekah Lynch, Board Member	2	x					0	0	0	
(12) Jeff Needham, Board Member	2	x					0	0	0	
(13) Mike Sinnard, Board Member	2	x					0	0	0	
(14) Barb Wunsch, Board Member	2	x					0	0	0	

Part VII Section A. Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees (continued)

(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			
(15) Trevor Tkach, Executive Director	40			X			20,980	0	0	
(16) Kat Paye, Executive Director	40			X			0	0	0	
(17)										
(18)										
(19)										
(20)										
(21)										
(22)										
(23)										
(24)										
(25)										
1b Sub-total							20,980	0	0	
c Total from continuation sheets to Part VII, Section A							0	0	0	
d Total (add lines 1b and 1c)							20,980	0	0	

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 **None**

	Yes	No
3 Did the organization list any former officer, director, or trustee, key employee, or highest compensated employee on line 1a? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual</i>		✓
4 For any individual listed on line 1a, is the sum of reportable compensation and other compensation from the organization and related organizations greater than \$150,000? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual</i>		✓
5 Did any person listed on line 1a receive or accrue compensation from any unrelated organization or individual for services rendered to the organization? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such person</i>		✓

Section B. Independent Contractors

1 Complete this table for your five highest compensated independent contractors that received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization. Report compensation for the calendar year ending with or within the organization's tax year.

(A) Name and business address	(B) Description of services	(C) Compensation

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 **None**

Part VIII Statement of Revenue

Check 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					
	c Fundraising events	1c					
	d Related organizations	1d					
	e Government grants (contributions)	1e					
	f All other contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts not included above	1f					
	g Noncash contributions included in lines 1a-1f: \$						
	h Total. Add lines 1a-1f ▶						
Program Service Revenue	2a Sponsorships	Business Code 900099	2,500			2,500	
	b Event Registrations	900099	29,522	29,522			
	c _____						
	d _____						
	e _____						
	f All other program service revenue .						
	g Total. Add lines 2a-2f ▶		32,022				
Other Revenue	3 Investment income (including dividends, interest, and other similar amounts) ▶		94	94			
	4 Income from investment of tax-exempt bond proceeds ▶						
	5 Royalties ▶						
	6a Gross rents	(i) Real	(ii) Personal				
	b Less: rental expenses						
	c Rental income or (loss)						
	d Net rental income or (loss) ▶						
	7a Gross amount from sales of assets other than inventory	(i) Securities	(ii) Other				
		d Net gain or (loss) ▶					
	8a Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ of contributions reported on line 1c). See Part IV, line 18 a						
		b Less: direct expenses b					
c Net income or (loss) from fundraising events . ▶							
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		1,576					
	b Less: cost of goods sold b						
	c Net income or (loss) from sales of inventory . . ▶		1,576	1,576			
Miscellaneous Revenue		Business Code					
11a Miscellaneous Revenue			6	6			
	b _____						
	c _____						
	d All other revenue						
e Total. Add lines 11a-11d ▶							
12 Total revenue. See instructions. ▶			33,698	31,198		2,500	

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				
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, lines 15 and 16				
4 Benefits paid to or for members				
5 Compensation of current officers, directors, trustees, and key employees	20,980	1,049	19,931	
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	47,735	30,913	16,822	
8 Pension plan accruals and contributions (include section 401(k) and 403(b) employer contributions)				
9 Other employee benefits	14,104	5,733	8,371	
10 Payroll taxes	8,494	3,737	4,757	
11 Fees for services (non-employees):				
a Management				
b Legal	7,004		7,004	
c Accounting	2,156		2,156	
d Lobbying				
e Professional fundraising services. See Part IV, line 17				
f Investment management fees				
g Other. (If line 11g amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A) amount, list line 11g expenses on Schedule O.)	23,360	17,992	5,368	
12 Advertising and promotion	2,282	300	1,982	
13 Office expenses	1,458		1,458	
14 Information technology				
15 Royalties				
16 Occupancy	6,708		6,708	
17 Travel	122	76	46	
18 Payments of travel or entertainment expenses for any federal, state, or local public officials				
19 Conferences, conventions, and meetings	1,300		1,300	
20 Interest				
21 Payments to affiliates				
22 Depreciation, depletion, and amortization	1,297		1,297	
23 Insurance	9,779		9,779	
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 See Schedule O	22,436	12,164	10,272	
b				
c				
d				
e All other expenses				
25 Total functional expenses. Add lines 1 through 24e	169,215	71,964	97,251	
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 <input type="checkbox"/> if following SOP 98-2 (ASC 958-720)				

Part X Balance Sheet

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

		(A) Beginning of year		(B) End of year
Assets	1 Cash—non-interest-bearing	11,702	1	22,324
	2 Savings and temporary cash investments	397,536	2	
	3 Pledges and grants receivable, net		3	
	4 Accounts receivable, net	15,807	4	
	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	78,182	8	
	9 Prepaid expenses and deferred charges	32,434	9	
	10a Land, buildings, and equipment: cost or other basis. Complete Part VI of Schedule D			
	b Less: accumulated depreciation	42,847	10c	
	11 Investments—publicly traded securities		11	
	12 Investments—other securities. See Part IV, line 11		12	
	13 Investments—program-related. See Part IV, line 11		13	
	14 Intangible assets		14	
	15 Other assets. See Part IV, line 11	22,673	15	47,949
16 Total assets. Add lines 1 through 15 (must equal line 34)	601,181	16	70,273	
Liabilities	17 Accounts payable and accrued expenses	11,073	17	
	18 Grants payable		18	
	19 Deferred revenue	35,000	19	
	20 Tax-exempt bond liabilities		20	
	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	6	25		
26 Total liabilities. Add lines 17 through 25	46,079	26		
Net Assets or Fund Balances	Organizations that follow SFAS 117 (ASC 958), check here <input type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 27 through 29, and lines 33 and 34.			
	27 Unrestricted net assets	555,102	27	70,273
	28 Temporarily restricted net assets		28	
	29 Permanently restricted net assets		29	
	Organizations that do not follow SFAS 117 (ASC 958), check here <input type="checkbox"/> 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	555,102	33	70,273	
34 Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances	601,181	34	70,273	

Part XI Reconciliation of Net Assets

Check 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	33,698
2	Total expenses (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	2	169,215
3	Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 2 from line 1	3	-135,517
4	Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (must equal Part X, line 33, column (A))	4	555,102
5	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	5	
6	Donated services and use of facilities	6	
7	Investment expenses	7	
8	Prior period adjustments	8	-10,613
9	Other changes in net assets or fund balances (explain in Schedule O)	9	-338,699
10	Net assets or fund balances at end of year. Combine lines 3 through 9 (must equal Part X, line 33, column (B))	10	70,273

Part XII Financial Statements and Reporting

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

- 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
- 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
- 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.
- 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?
- 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.

	Yes	No
2a		✓
2b		✓
2c		
3a		✓
3b		

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.

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Employer identification number 38-1319574

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.

Table with 2 columns: (a) Donor advised funds, (b) Funds and other accounts. Rows include total number at end of year, aggregate value of contributions, aggregate value of grants, and questions about donor advisement.

Part II Conservation Easements.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 7.

Table with 2 columns: Held at the End of the Tax Year. Rows include purpose of conservation easements, total number and acreage, and monitoring expenses.

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.

Table with 2 columns: Revenue and Assets. Rows include questions about reporting works of art and historical treasures.

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 |
|--|-----------|
| c Beginning balance | 1c |
| d Additions during the year | 1d |
| e Distributions during the year | 1e |
| f Ending balance | 1f |
- 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 on Part XIII

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					
b Contributions					
c Net investment earnings, gains, and losses					
d Grants or scholarships					
e Other expenditures for facilities and programs					
f Administrative expenses					
g End of year balance					

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

- a** Board designated or quasi-endowment ▶ %
- b** Permanent endowment ▶ %
- c** Temporarily restricted endowment ▶ %

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:

- (i)** unrelated organizations
- (ii)** related organizations

	Yes	No
3a(i)		
3a(ii)		
3b		

b If "Yes" on line 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				
c Leasehold improvements				
d Equipment				
e Other				

Total. Add lines 1a through 1e. (Column (d) must equal Form 990, Part X, column (B), line 10c.) ▶

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)		
(B)		
(C)		
(D)		
(E)		
(F)		
(G)		
(H)		
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col. (B) line 12.) ▶		

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) Due from The Festival Foundation (EIN 26-0883148) for prepaid expenses and deferred revenues at April 1, 2016	47,949
(2)	
(3)	
(4)	
(5)	
(6)	
(7)	
(8)	
(9)	
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col. (B) line 15.) ▶	47,949

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		
(2)		
(3)		
(4)		
(5)		
(6)		
(7)		
(8)		
(9)		
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col. (B) line 25.) ▶		

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

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	
2	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12:			
a	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	2a		
b	Donated services and use of facilities	2b		
c	Recoveries of prior year grants	2c		
d	Other (Describe in Part XIII.)	2d		
e	Add lines 2a through 2d		2e	
3	Subtract line 2e from line 1		3	
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		
b	Other (Describe in Part XIII.)	4b		
c	Add lines 4a and 4b		4c	
5	Total revenue. Add lines 3 and 4c . (This must equal Form 990, Part I, line 12.)		5	

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	
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		
e	Add lines 2a through 2d		2e	
3	Subtract line 2e from line 1		3	
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		
b	Other (Describe in Part XIII.)	4b		
c	Add lines 4a and 4b		4c	
5	Total expenses. Add lines 3 and 4c . (This must equal Form 990, Part I, line 18.)		5	

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.

 Part IX, Line (1) - Net Festival Foundation revenues and expenses paid by NCF Transition prior to assignment of assets to the Festival Foundation

 on April 1, 2016

SCHEDULE N

(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Name of the organization

NCF Transition, Inc F/K/A National Cherry Festival, Inc

Liquidation, Termination, Dissolution, or Significant Disposition of Assets

- ▶ Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, lines 31 or 32; or Form 990-EZ, line 36.
- ▶ Attach certified copies of any articles of dissolution, resolutions, or plans.
- ▶ Attach to Form 990 or 990-EZ.
- ▶ Information about Schedule N (Form 990 or 990-EZ) and its instructions is at www.irs.gov/form990.

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Part I Liquidation, Termination, or Dissolution. Complete this part if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 31, or Form 990-EZ, line 36. Part I can be duplicated if additional space is needed.

1	(a) Description of asset(s) distributed or transaction expenses paid	(b) Date of distribution	(c) Fair market value of asset(s) distributed or amount of transaction expenses	(d) Method of determining FMV for asset(s) distributed or transaction expenses	(e) EIN of recipient	(f) Name and address of recipient	(g) IRC section of recipient(s) (if tax-exempt) or type of entity

- 2 Did or will any officer, director, trustee, or key employee of the organization:
- a Become a director or trustee of a successor or transferee organization?
 - b Become an employee of, or independent contractor for, a successor or transferee organization?
 - c Become a direct or indirect owner of a successor or transferee organization?
 - d Receive, or become entitled to, compensation or other similar payments as a result of the organization's liquidation, termination, or dissolution?
 - e If the organization answered "Yes" to any of the questions on lines 2a through 2d, provide the name of the person involved and explain in Part III. ▶

		Yes	No
2a			
2b			
2c			
2d			

Part I Liquidation, Termination, or Dissolution (continued)

Note: If the organization distributed all of its assets during the tax year, then Form 990, Part X, column (B), line 16 (Total assets), and line 26 (Total liabilities), should equal -0-

- 3 Did the organization distribute its assets in accordance with its governing instrument(s)? If "No," describe in Part III **3** **Yes** **No**
- 4a Is the organization required to notify the attorney general or other appropriate state official of its intent to dissolve, liquidate, or terminate? **4a** **Yes** **No**
- b If "Yes," did the organization provide such notice? **4b** **Yes** **No**
- 5 Did the organization discharge or pay all of its liabilities in accordance with state laws? **5** **Yes** **No**
- 6a Did the organization have any tax-exempt bonds outstanding during the year? **6a** **Yes** **No**
- b If "Yes" to line 6a, did the organization discharge or defease all of its tax-exempt bond liabilities during the tax year in accordance with the Internal Revenue Code and state laws? **6b** **Yes** **No**
- c If "Yes" on line 6b, describe in Part III how the organization defeased or otherwise settled these liabilities. If "No" on line 6b, explain in Part III.

Part II Sale, Exchange, Disposition, or Other Transfer of More Than 25% of the Organization's Assets. Complete this part if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 32, or Form 990-EZ, line 36. Part II can be duplicated if additional space is needed.

1	(a) Description of asset(s) distributed or transaction expenses paid	(b) Date of distribution	(c) Fair market value of asset(s) distributed or amount of transaction expenses	(d) Method of determining FMV for asset(s) distributed or transaction expenses	(e) EIN of recipient	(f) Name and address of recipient	(g) IRC section of recipient(s) (if tax-exempt) or type of entity
	Cash and Savings	4-1-16	332,630		26-0883148	The Festival Foundation 250 E Front St, Traverse City MI 49684	501c3
	Inventory	4-1-16	77,584	Cost	26-0883148	The Festival Foundaiton, 250 E Front St, Traverse City MI 49684	501c3
	Fixed Assets	4-1-16	42,847	Net book value	26-0883148	The Festival Foundation, 250 E Front St, Traverse City MI 49684	501c3
	Other Assets - Artwork	4-1-16	4,800	Cost	26-0883148	The Festival Foundation, 250 E Front St, Traverse City MI 49684	501c3
	Other Assets - Intangibles	4-1-16	17,873	Net book value	26-0883148	The Festival Foundation, 250 E Front St, Traverse City MI 49684	501c3
	2016 Deferred Revenues and Prepaid Expenses - net	4-1-16	-137,035	Cost	26-0883148	The Festival Foundation, 250 E Front St, Traverse City MI 49684	501c3

2	Did or will any officer, director, trustee, or key employee of the organization:	Yes	No
a	Become a director or trustee of a successor or transferee organization?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b	Become an employee of, or independent contractor for, a successor or transferee organization?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
c	Become a direct or indirect owner of a successor or transferee organization?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
d	Receive, or become entitled to, compensation or other similar payments as a result of the organization's significant disposition of assets?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
e	If the organization answered "Yes" to any of the questions on lines 2a through 2d, provide the name of the person involved and explain in Part III	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Part III **Supplemental Information.** Provide the information required by Part I, lines 2e and 6c, and Part II, line 2e. Also complete this part to provide any additional information.

Part II, Line 2a - The members of the National Cherry Festival Board of Governors joined the Festival Foundation's Board of Directors on the date of
of the merger, April 1, 2016

Part II, Line 2b - All employees of the National Cherry Festival, including the Executive Director (officer) became employees of the Festival Foundation
at April 1, 2016

**SCHEDULE O
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)**

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Supplemental Information to Form 990 or 990-EZ

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

▶ Attach to Form 990 or 990-EZ.

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Form 990, Part III, Line 3 - The National Cherry Festival Board of Governors and the Board of Directors of the Festival Foundation have determined that it was advisable and in the best interest of both organizations to increase administrative efficiency, decrease administrative costs and ensure the long term sustainability of the National Cherry Festival that is so vital and important to the people of the Grand Traverse region, that the assets, activities and operations of the National Cherry Festival be transferred to and assumed by the Festival Foundation On April 1, 2016, the assets, activities and operations of the National Cherry Festival were transferred to and assumed by the Festival Foundation, a 501(c)(3) organization (EIN 26-0883148) for consideration of \$1 00 On April 1, 2016 all assets excluding a balance of cash and a receivable from the Festival Foundation were transferred to the Festival Foundation The Board of Directors of the Festival Foundation provides governance over the remaining assets of the National Cherry Festival

Form 990, Part VI, Section B - Policies, Line 11b - The National Cherry Festival Form 990 and schedules are reviewed initially by the Festival's Executive Director, then by the Finance Officer and the Finance Committee Upon approval by the Finance Committee, the tax return is available for review by the full Board of Directors Outside public accounting and legal services are retained to address specific tax issues

Form 990, Part VI, Section B - Policies, Line 12c - The National Cherry Festival's conflict of interest policy was approved by the Board of Governors The Executive Director holds primary responsibility for the monitoring of this policy in addition to her role as the conduit between the Board of Governors, volunteers, staff and public Any and all potential conflicts of interest are directed to her attention

Form 990, Part VI, Section B - Policies, Line 15 - Compensation of the Executive Director is reviewed annually by the Executive Committee of the Board of Governors If needed, outside compensation information is obtained by the Committee during the review process Individual festival employees participate in an annual review conducted by the Executive Director

Form 990, Part VI, Section C, Line 19 - The National Cherry Festival complies with all IRS requirements concerning disclosure of governing documents, board policies and financial information The public can request this information in person, by mail or telephone contact

Name of the organization

NCFTransition, Inc F/K/A National Cherry Festival, Inc

Employer identification number

38-1319574

Form 990, Part IX, Line 11g - Other Fees for Services

	(A) Total Expenses	(B) Program Service expenses	(C) Management and general expenses	(D) Fundraising expenses
Marketing Services	15,330	11,996	3,334	-
Ticket Fees	57	-	57	-
Website Fees	450	-	450	-
Internet Services	653	-	653	-
Management Fees	5,996	5,996	-	-
Other Contractual Services	874	-	874	-
Total Other Fees for Services	23,360	17,992	5,368	-

Form 990, Part IX, Line 24a - Other Expenses

	(A) Total Expenses	(B) Program Service expenses	(C) Management and general expenses	(D) Fundraising expenses
Entertainment	200	200	-	-
Awards and prizes	363	171	192	-
Food and paper products	2,540	2,513	27	-
Clothing and pins	4,029	4,025	4	-
City fee	864	864	-	-
Donations - See below	500	200	300	-
Housing	323	-	323	-
Hosting	1,366	1,034	332	-
Equipment rentals	3,122	2,350	772	-
Rent expense	1,890	250	1,640	-
Supplies	507	507	-	-
Photography	7	-	7	-
Dues and licenses	1,021	50	971	-
Bank, credit card and other fees	1,453	-	1,453	-
Miscellaneous	1,039	-	1,039	-
Utilities	3,212	-	3,212	-
Total Other Expenses	22,436	12,164	10,272	-
Donations				
4-H Club Boots and Roots	200	200	-	-
Grand Traverse Fruit Growers	300	-	300	-
Total Donations	500	200	300	-

**SCHEDULE O
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)**

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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▶ Attach to Form 990 or 990-EZ.

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Name of the organization
NCF Transition, Inc F/K/A National Cherry Festival, Inc

Employer identification number
38-1319574

Form 990, Part XI, Line 9 - Other changes in net assets or fund balances -

Other Changes in Net Assets

Assets and Liabilities Transferred to The Festival Foundation - April 1, 2016

\$(332,630) - Cash and Savings

(77,584) - Inventory - at cost

(42,847) - Fixed Assets - at net book value

(4,800) - Other Assets - at cost

(17,873) - Intangible Assets - at net book value

137,035 - 2016 Prepaid expenses and deferred revenues at April 1, 2016 transferred to The Festival Foundation - net

\$(338,699) - Other changes in net assets or fund balances

SCHEDULE R
(Form 990)

Related Organizations and Unrelated Partnerships

▶ Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 33, 34, 35b, 36, or 37.

▶ Attach to Form 990.

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Part I Identification of Disregarded Entities. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 33.

(a) Name, address, and EIN (if applicable) of disregarded entity	(b) Primary activity	(c) Legal domicile (state or foreign country)	(d) Total income	(e) End-of-year assets	(f) Direct controlling entity
(1) -----					
(2) -----					
(3) -----					
(4) -----					
(5) -----					
(6) -----					

Part II Identification of Related Tax-Exempt Organizations. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 34 because it had one or more related tax-exempt organizations during the tax year.

(a) Name, address, and EIN of related organization	(b) Primary activity	(c) Legal domicile (state or foreign country)	(d) Exempt Code section	(e) Public charity status (if section 501(c)(3))	(f) Direct controlling entity	(g) Section 512(b)(13) controlled entity?	
						Yes	No
(1) The Festival Foundation, 250 E. Front Street, Suite 301 Traverse City, MI 49684, 26-0883148	Education/Charitable	Michigan	501c3	Sect 170(b)(1)(A)(iv)	The Festival Fdn		✓
(2) -----							
(3) -----							
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Part III Identification of Related Organizations Taxable as a Partnership. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 34 because it had one or more related organizations treated as a partnership during the tax year.

(a) Name, address, and EIN of related organization	(b) Primary activity	(c) Legal domicile (state or foreign country)	(d) Direct controlling entity	(e) Predominant income (related, unrelated, excluded from tax under sections 512-514)	(f) Share of total income	(g) Share of end-of-year assets	(h) Disproportionate allocations?		(i) Code V-UBI amount in box 20 of Schedule K-1 (Form 1065)	(j) General or managing partner?		(k) Percentage ownership
							Yes	No		Yes	No	
(1)												
(2)												
(3)												
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(6)												
(7)												

Part IV Identification of Related Organizations Taxable as a Corporation or Trust. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 34 because it had one or more related organizations treated as a corporation or trust during the tax year.

(a) Name, address, and EIN of related organization	(b) Primary activity	(c) Legal domicile (state or foreign country)	(d) Direct controlling entity	(e) Type of entity (C corp, S corp, or trust)	(f) Share of total income	(g) Share of end-of-year assets	(h) Percentage ownership	(i) Section 512(b)(13) controlled entity?	
								Yes	No
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(2)									
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Part V Transactions With Related Organizations. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 34, 35b, or 36.

Note: Complete line 1 if any entity is listed in Parts II, III, or IV of this schedule.

- 1** During the tax year, did the organization engage in any of the following transactions with one or more related organizations listed in Parts II-IV?
 - a** Receipt of (i) interest, (ii) annuities, (iii) royalties, or (iv) rent from a controlled entity **1a**
 - b** Gift, grant, or capital contribution to related organization(s) **1b**
 - c** Gift, grant, or capital contribution from related organization(s) **1c**
 - d** Loans or loan guarantees to or for related organization(s) **1d**
 - e** Loans or loan guarantees by related organization(s) **1e**
 - f** Dividends from related organization(s) **1f**
 - g** Sale of assets to related organization(s) **1g**
 - h** Purchase of assets from related organization(s) **1h**
 - i** Exchange of assets with related organization(s) **1i**
 - j** Lease of facilities, equipment, or other assets to related organization(s) **1j**
 - k** Lease of facilities, equipment, or other assets from related organization(s) **1k**
 - l** Performance of services or membership or fundraising solicitations for related organization(s) **1l**
 - m** Performance of services or membership or fundraising solicitations by related organization(s) **1m**
 - n** Sharing of facilities, equipment, mailing lists, or other assets with related organization(s) **1n**
 - o** Sharing of paid employees with related organization(s) **1o**
 - p** Reimbursement paid to related organization(s) for expenses **1p**
 - q** Reimbursement paid by related organization(s) for expenses **1q**
 - r** Other transfer of cash or property to related organization(s) **1r**
 - s** Other transfer of cash or property from related organization(s) **1s**

2 If the answer to any of the above is "Yes," see the instructions for information on who must complete this line, including covered relationships and transaction thresholds.

	(a) Name of related organization	(b) Transaction type (a-s)	(c) Amount involved	(d) Method of determining amount involved
(1)	The Festival Foundation	1q	47,949	Cost
(2)	The Festival Foundation	1r	338,699	Net book value
(3)				
(4)				
(5)				
(6)				

Part VI **Unrelated Organizations Taxable as a Partnership.** Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 37.

Provide the following information for each entity taxed as a partnership through which the organization conducted more than five percent of its activities (measured by total assets or gross revenue) that was not a related organization. See instructions regarding exclusion for certain investment partnerships.

(a) Name, address, and EIN of entity	(b) Primary activity	(c) Legal domicile (state or foreign country)	(d) Predominant income (related, unrelated, excluded from tax under sections 512-514)	(e) Are all partners section 501(c)(3) organizations?		(f) Share of total income	(g) Share of end-of-year assets	(h) Disproportionate allocations?		(i) Code V—UBI amount in box 20 of Schedule K-1 (Form 1065)	(j) General or managing partner?		(k) Percentage ownership
				Yes	No			Yes	No		Yes	No	
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Part VII Supplemental Information.

Provide additional information for responses to questions on Schedule R. See Instructions.

On April 1, 2016, the assets, activities and operations of the National Cherry Festival were transferred to and assumed by The Festival Foundation, a 501c3 organization (EIN 26-0883148), for consideration of \$1 00. The December 31, 2016 assets remaining in the National Cherry Festival (cash and receivable) will be transferred to the Festival Foundation subsequent to year end. Until the formal dissolution of the National Cherry Festival takes place, the Board of Directors of the Festival Foundation will oversee the activity of the National Cherry Festival.

Part V, Line 2(1) \$47,949 - Net Festival Foundation revenues and expenses paid by NCF Transition prior to the assignment of assets to the Festival Foundation, April 1, 2016

Part V, Line 2 (2) - Other transfer of cash or property to related organization(s)

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