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Return of Private Foundation

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

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2016

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For calendar year 2016 or tax year beginning

, and ending

Name of foundation MARDAG FOUNDATION		A Employer identification number 41-1698990
Number and street (or P O box number if mail is not delivered to street address) 101 FIFTH STREET EAST	Room/suite 2400	B Telephone number 651-224-5463
City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code ST. PAUL, MN 55101		C If exemption application is pending, check here ☐
G Check all that apply: ☐ Initial return ☐ Final return ☐ Address change ☐ Initial return of a former public charity ☐ Amended return ☐ Name change		D 1 Foreign organizations, check here ☐ 2. Foreign organizations meeting the 85% test, check here and attach computation ☐
H Check type of organization: ☒ Section 501(c)(3) exempt private foundation ☐ Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust ☐ Other taxable private foundation		E If private foundation status was terminated under section 507(b)(1)(A), check here ☐
I Fair market value of all assets at end of year (from Part II, col. (c), line 16) \$ 55,475,161.	J Accounting method: ☐ Cash ☒ Accrual ☐ Other (specify) _____ (Part I, column (d) must be on cash basis)	F If the foundation is in a 60-month termination under section 507(b)(1)(B), check here ☐

Part I Analysis of Revenue and Expenses (The total of amounts in columns (b), (c), and (d) may not necessarily equal the amounts in column (a))		(a) Revenue and expenses per books	(b) Net investment income	(c) Adjusted net income	(d) Disbursements for charitable purposes (cash basis only)
1 Contributions, gifts, grants, etc., received				N/A	
2 Check ☒ if the foundation is not required to attach Sch. B					
3 Interest on savings and temporary cash investments					
4 Dividends and interest from securities		785,410.	785,410.		STATEMENT 1
5a Gross rents					
b Net rental income or (loss)					
6a Net gain or (loss) from sale of assets not on line 10		1,747,104.			
b Gross sales price for all assets on line 6a 1,747,104.					
7 Capital gain net income (from Part IV, line 2)			1,747,104.		
8 Net short-term capital gain					
9 Income modifications					
10a Gross sales less returns and allowances					
b Less Cost of goods sold					
c Gross profit or (loss)					
11 Other income		457.	117,781.		STATEMENT 2
12 Total Add lines 1 through 11		2,532,971.	2,650,295.		
13 Compensation of officers, directors, trustees, etc		0.	0.		0.
14 Other employee salaries and wages					
15 Pension plans, employee benefits					
16a Legal fees STMT 3		3,500.	0.		3,500.
b Accounting fees STMT 4		11,183.	0.		11,183.
c Other professional fees STMT 5		203,555.	191,975.		11,580.
17 Interest					
18 Taxes STMT 6		33,509.	0.		0.
19 Depreciation and depletion					
20 Occupancy					
21 Travel, conferences, and meetings		6,310.	0.		6,310.
22 Printing and publications					
23 Other expenses STMT 7		205,497.	0.		184,217.
24 Total operating and administrative expenses Add lines 13 through 23		463,554.	191,975.		216,790.
25 Contributions, gifts, grants paid		2,486,819.			2,532,108.
26 Total expenses and disbursements Add lines 24 and 25		2,950,373.	191,975.		2,748,898.
27 Subtract line 26 from line 12:					
a Excess of revenue over expenses and disbursements		-417,402.			
b Net investment income (if negative, enter -0-)			2,458,320.		
c Adjusted net income (if negative, enter -0-)				N/A	

Part II. Balance Sheets		Attached schedules and amounts in the description column should be for end-of-year amounts only		Beginning of year	End of year	
				(a) Book Value	(b) Book Value	(c) Fair Market Value
Assets	1 Cash - non-interest-bearing					
	2 Savings and temporary cash investments			688,821.	596,775.	596,775.
	3 Accounts receivable ▶ Less: allowance for doubtful accounts ▶					
	4 Pledges receivable ▶ Less: allowance for doubtful accounts ▶					
	5 Grants receivable					
	6 Receivables due from officers, directors, trustees, and other disqualified persons					
	7 Other notes and loans receivable ▶ Less: allowance for doubtful accounts ▶					
	8 Inventories for sale or use					
	9 Prepaid expenses and deferred charges					
	10a Investments - U.S. and state government obligations					
	b Investments - corporate stock					
	c Investments - corporate bonds					
	11 Investments - land, buildings, and equipment basis ▶ Less: accumulated depreciation ▶					
	12 Investments - mortgage loans					
	13 Investments - other STMT 8			53,210,263.	54,875,315.	54,875,315.
	14 Land, buildings, and equipment; basis ▶ Less: accumulated depreciation ▶					
	15 Other assets (describe ▶)			34,613.	3,071.	3,071.
	16 Total assets (to be completed by all filers - see the instructions. Also, see page 1, item I)			53,933,697.	55,475,161.	55,475,161.
Liabilities	17 Accounts payable and accrued expenses			48,639.	69,848.	
	18 Grants payable			575,265.	551,000.	
	19 Deferred revenue					
	20 Loans from officers, directors, trustees, and other disqualified persons					
	21 Mortgages and other notes payable					
	22 Other liabilities (describe ▶ STATEMENT 9)			75,105.	88,083.	
	23 Total liabilities (add lines 17 through 22)			699,009.	708,931.	
Net Assets or Fund Balances	Foundations that follow SFAS 117, check here ▶ ☒ and complete lines 24 through 26 and lines 30 and 31.					
	24 Unrestricted			53,234,688.	54,766,230.	
	25 Temporarily restricted					
	26 Permanently restricted					
	Foundations that do not follow SFAS 117, check here ▶ ☐ and complete lines 27 through 31.					
	27 Capital stock, trust principal, or current funds					
	28 Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, bldg., and equipment fund					
	29 Retained earnings, accumulated income, endowment, or other funds					
	30 Total net assets or fund balances			53,234,688.	54,766,230.	
	31 Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances			53,933,697.	55,475,161.	

Part III Analysis of Changes in Net Assets or Fund Balances

1 Total net assets or fund balances at beginning of year - Part II, column (a), line 30 (must agree with end-of-year figure reported on prior year's return)	1 53,234,688.
2 Enter amount from Part I, line 27a	2 -417,402.
3 Other increases not included in line 2 (itemize) ▶ NET UNREALIZED GAINS	3 1,948,944.
4 Add lines 1, 2, and 3	4 54,766,230.
5 Decreases not included in line 2 (itemize) ▶	5 0.
6 Total net assets or fund balances at end of year (line 4 minus line 5) - Part II, column (b), line 30	6 54,766,230.

Part IV Capital Gains and Losses for Tax on Investment Income

(a) List and describe the kind(s) of property sold (e.g., real estate, 2-story brick warehouse; or common stock, 200 shs. MLC Co.)			(b) How acquired P - Purchase D - Donation	(c) Date acquired (mo., day, yr.)	(d) Date sold (mo., day, yr.)
1a PASSED THROUGH INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIP			P		
b					
c					
d					
e					
(e) Gross sales price	(f) Depreciation allowed (or allowable)	(g) Cost or other basis plus expense of sale	(h) Gain or (loss) (e) plus (f) minus (g)		
a 1,747,104.			1,747,104.		
b					
c					
d					
e					
(i) F.M.V. as of 12/31/69			(j) Adjusted basis as of 12/31/69	(k) Excess of col. (i) over col. (j), if any	
a				1,747,104.	
b					
c					
d					
e					
Complete only for assets showing gain in column (h) and owned by the foundation on 12/31/69			(l) Gains (Col. (h) gain minus col. (k), but not less than -0-) or Losses (from col. (h))		
a				1,747,104.	
b					
c					
d					
e					
2 Capital gain net income or (net capital loss)			2 1,747,104.		
3 Net short-term capital gain or (loss) as defined in sections 1222(5) and (6): If gain, also enter in Part I, line 8, column (c). If (loss), enter -0- in Part I, line 8			3 N/A		

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

(For optional use by domestic private foundations subject to the section 4940(a) tax on net investment income.)

If section 4940(d)(2) applies, leave this part blank.

Was the foundation liable for the section 4942 tax on the distributable amount of any year in the base period?

☐ Yes ☒ No

If "Yes," the foundation does not qualify under section 4940(e). Do not complete this part.

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

(a) Base period years Calendar year (or tax year beginning in)	(b) Adjusted qualifying distributions	(c) Net value of noncharitable-use assets	(d) Distribution ratio (col. (b) divided by col. (c))
2015	2,761,075.	55,750,699.	.049525
2014	2,606,655.	56,861,337.	.045842
2013	2,416,178.	53,098,085.	.045504
2012	2,371,769.	48,853,938.	.048548
2011	2,296,507.	48,714,696.	.047142
2 Total of line 1, column (d)			2 .236561
3 Average distribution ratio for the 5-year base period - divide the total on line 2 by 5, or by the number of years the foundation has been in existence if less than 5 years			3 .047312
4 Enter the net value of noncharitable-use assets for 2016 from Part X, line 5			4 53,284,414.
5 Multiply line 4 by line 3			5 2,520,992.
6 Enter 1% of net investment income (1% of Part I, line 27b)			6 24,583.
7 Add lines 5 and 6			7 2,545,575.
8 Enter qualifying distributions from Part XII, line 4			8 2,748,898.

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

Part VI Excise Tax Based on Investment Income (Section 4940(a), 4940(b), 4940(e), or 4948 - see instructions)

1a Exempt operating foundations described in section 4940(d)(2), check here ☐ and enter "N/A" on line 1. Date of ruling or determination letter: _____ (attach copy of letter if necessary-see instructions)			
b Domestic foundations that meet the section 4940(e) requirements in Part V, check here ☒ and enter 1% of Part I, line 27b		1	24,583.
c All other domestic foundations enter 2% of line 27b. Exempt foreign organizations enter 4% of Part I, line 12, col. (b).			
2 Tax under section 511 (domestic section 4947(a)(1) trusts and taxable foundations only. Others enter -0-)		2	0.
3 Add lines 1 and 2		3	24,583.
4 Subtitle A (income) tax (domestic section 4947(a)(1) trusts and taxable foundations only. Others enter -0-)		4	0.
5 Tax based on investment income Subtract line 4 from line 3. If zero or less, enter -0-		5	24,583.
6 Credits/Payments:			
a 2016 estimated tax payments and 2015 overpayment credited to 2016	6a	31,503.	
b Exempt foreign organizations - tax withheld at source	6b		
c Tax paid with application for extension of time to file (Form 8868)	6c		
d Backup withholding erroneously withheld	6d		
7 Total credits and payments. Add lines 6a through 6d	7	31,503.	
8 Enter any penalty for underpayment of estimated tax. Check here ☐ if Form 2220 is attached	8		
9 Tax due. If the total of lines 5 and 8 is more than line 7, enter amount owed	9		
10 Overpayment. If line 7 is more than the total of lines 5 and 8, enter the amount overpaid	10	6,920.	
11 Enter the amount of line 10 to be: Credited to 2017 estimated tax ☒ Refunded ☐	11	0.	

Part VII-A Statements Regarding Activities

	Yes	No
1a During the tax year, did the foundation attempt to influence any national, state, or local legislation or did it participate or intervene in any political campaign?		X
1b Did it spend more than \$100 during the year (either directly or indirectly) for political purposes (see instructions for the definition)? If the answer is "Yes" to 1a or 1b, attach a detailed description of the activities and copies of any materials published or distributed by the foundation in connection with the activities.		X
c Did the foundation file Form 1120-POL for this year?		X
d Enter the amount (if any) of tax on political expenditures (section 4955) imposed during the year: (1) On the foundation. ☒ \$ 0. (2) On foundation managers. ☒ \$ 0.		
e Enter the reimbursement (if any) paid by the foundation during the year for political expenditure tax imposed on foundation managers. ☒ \$ 0.		
2 Has the foundation engaged in any activities that have not previously been reported to the IRS? If "Yes," attach a detailed description of the activities.		X
3 Has the foundation made any changes, not previously reported to the IRS, in its governing instrument, articles of incorporation, or bylaws, or other similar instruments? If "Yes," attach a conformed copy of the changes		X
4a Did the foundation have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year?	X	
b If "Yes," has it filed a tax return on Form 990-T for this year?	X	
5 Was there a liquidation, termination, dissolution, or substantial contraction during the year? If "Yes," attach the statement required by General Instruction T		X
6 Are the requirements of section 508(e) (relating to sections 4941 through 4945) satisfied either: • By language in the governing instrument, or • By state legislation that effectively amends the governing instrument so that no mandatory directions that conflict with the state law remain in the governing instrument?	X	
7 Did the foundation have at least \$5,000 in assets at any time during the year? If "Yes," complete Part II, col. (c), and Part XV	X	
8a Enter the states to which the foundation reports or with which it is registered (see instructions) ☒ MN, ND, CO		
b If the answer is "Yes" to line 7, has the foundation furnished a copy of Form 990-PF to the Attorney General (or designate) of each state as required by General Instruction G? If "No," attach explanation	X	
9 Is the foundation claiming status as a private operating foundation within the meaning of section 4942(j)(3) or 4942(j)(5) for calendar year 2016 or the taxable year beginning in 2016 (see instructions for Part XIV)? If "Yes," complete Part XIV		X
10 Did any persons become substantial contributors during the tax year? If "Yes," attach a schedule listing their names and addresses		X

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Part VII-A Statements Regarding Activities (continued)

	Yes	No
11 At any time during the year, did the foundation, directly or indirectly, own a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? If "Yes," attach schedule (see instructions)	11	X
12 Did the foundation make a distribution to a donor advised fund over which the foundation or a disqualified person had advisory privileges? If "Yes," attach statement (see instructions)	12	X
13 Did the foundation comply with the public inspection requirements for its annual returns and exemption application? Website address ► WWW.MARDAG.ORG	13	X
14 The books are in care of ► THE SAINT PAUL FOUNDATION Telephone no. ► (651) 224-5463 Located at ► 101 FIFTH STREET EAST, SUITE 2400, ST. PAUL, MN ZIP+4 ► 55101		
15 Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts filing Form 990-PF in lieu of Form 1041 - Check here and enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the year ► 15 N/A		
16 At any time during calendar year 2016, did the foundation have an interest in or a signature or other authority over a bank, securities, or other financial account in a foreign country? See the instructions for exceptions and filing requirements for FinCEN Form 114. If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country ►	16	X

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

File Form 4720 if any item is checked in the "Yes" column, unless an exception applies.

	Yes	No
1a During the year did the foundation (either directly or indirectly): (1) Engage in the sale or exchange, or leasing of property with a disqualified person? ☐ Yes ☒ No (2) Borrow money from, lend money to, or otherwise extend credit to (or accept it from) a disqualified person? ☐ Yes ☒ No (3) Furnish goods, services, or facilities to (or accept them from) a disqualified person? ☐ Yes ☒ No (4) Pay compensation to, or pay or reimburse the expenses of, a disqualified person? ☐ Yes ☒ No (5) Transfer any income or assets to a disqualified person (or make any of either available for the benefit or use of a disqualified person)? ☐ Yes ☒ No (6) Agree to pay money or property to a government official? (Exception. Check "No" if the foundation agreed to make a grant to or to employ the official for a period after termination of government service, if terminating within 90 days.) ☐ Yes ☒ No		
b If any answer is "Yes" to 1a(1)-(6), did any of the acts fail to qualify under the exceptions described in Regulations section 53.4941(d)-3 or in a current notice regarding disaster assistance (see instructions)? Organizations relying on a current notice regarding disaster assistance check here ► ☐ N/A	1b	
c Did the foundation engage in a prior year in any of the acts described in 1a, other than excepted acts, that were not corrected before the first day of the tax year beginning in 2016?	1c	X
2 Taxes on failure to distribute income (section 4942) (does not apply for years the foundation was a private operating foundation defined in section 4942(j)(3) or 4942(j)(5)): a At the end of tax year 2016, did the foundation have any undistributed income (lines 6d and 6e, Part XIII) for tax year(s) beginning before 2016? ☐ Yes ☒ No If "Yes," list the years ► _____, _____, _____ b Are there any years listed in 2a for which the foundation is not applying the provisions of section 4942(a)(2) (relating to incorrect valuation of assets) to the year's undistributed income? (If applying section 4942(a)(2) to all years listed, answer "No" and attach statement - see instructions.) N/A c If the provisions of section 4942(a)(2) are being applied to any of the years listed in 2a, list the years here. ► _____, _____, _____	2b	
3a Did the foundation hold more than a 2% direct or indirect interest in any business enterprise at any time during the year? ☐ Yes ☒ No b If "Yes," did it have excess business holdings in 2016 as a result of (1) any purchase by the foundation or disqualified persons after May 26, 1969; (2) the lapse of the 5-year period (or longer period approved by the Commissioner under section 4943(c)(7)) to dispose of holdings acquired by gift or bequest; or (3) the lapse of the 10-, 15-, or 20-year first phase holding period? (Use Schedule C, Form 4720, to determine if the foundation had excess business holdings in 2016.) N/A	3b	
4a Did the foundation invest during the year any amount in a manner that would jeopardize its charitable purposes?	4a	X
b Did the foundation make any investment in a prior year (but after December 31, 1969) that could jeopardize its charitable purpose that had not been removed from jeopardy before the first day of the tax year beginning in 2016?	4b	X

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Part VII-B Statements Regarding Activities for Which Form 4720 May Be Required (continued)**5a** During the year did the foundation pay or incur any amount to:

(1) Carry on propaganda, or otherwise attempt to influence legislation (section 4945(e))?

☐ Yes ☒ No

(2) Influence the outcome of any specific public election (see section 4955); or to carry on, directly or indirectly, any voter registration drive?

☐ Yes ☒ No

(3) Provide a grant to an individual for travel, study, or other similar purposes?

☐ Yes ☒ No

(4) Provide a grant to an organization other than a charitable, etc., organization described in section 4945(d)(4)(A)? (see instructions)

☐ Yes ☒ No

(5) Provide for any purpose other than religious, charitable, scientific, literary, or educational purposes, or for the prevention of cruelty to children or animals?

☐ Yes ☒ No**b** If any answer is "Yes" to 5a(1)-(5), did any of the transactions fail to qualify under the exceptions described in Regulations section 53.4945 or in a current notice regarding disaster assistance (see instructions)?

N/A

5b

Organizations relying on a current notice regarding disaster assistance check here

☒**c** If the answer is "Yes" to question 5a(4), does the foundation claim exemption from the tax because it maintained expenditure responsibility for the grant?

N/A

☐ Yes ☐ No

If "Yes," attach the statement required by Regulations section 53.4945-5(d).

6a Did the foundation, during the year, receive any funds, directly or indirectly, to pay premiums on a personal benefit contract?☐ Yes ☒ No**b** Did the foundation, during the year, pay premiums, directly or indirectly, on a personal benefit contract?

6b

X

If "Yes" to 6b, file Form 8870

7a At any time during the tax year, was the foundation a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction?☐ Yes ☒ No**b** If "Yes," did the foundation receive any proceeds or have any net income attributable to the transaction?

N/A

7b

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

(a) Name and address	(b) Title, and average hours per week devoted to position	(c) Compensation (If not paid, enter -0-)	(d) Contributions to employee benefit plans and deferred compensation	(e) Expense account, other allowances
SEE STATEMENT 10		0.	0.	0.

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

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

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

0

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Part X Minimum Investment Return (All domestic foundations must complete this part. Foreign foundations, see instructions.)

1	Fair market value of assets not used (or held for use) directly in carrying out charitable, etc., purposes:		
a	Average monthly fair market value of securities	1a	52,966,266.
b	Average of monthly cash balances	1b	1,129,586.
c	Fair market value of all other assets	1c	
d	Total (add lines 1a, b, and c)	1d	54,095,852.
e	Reduction claimed for blockage or other factors reported on lines 1a and 1c (attach detailed explanation)	1e	0.
2	Acquisition indebtedness applicable to line 1 assets	2	0.
3	Subtract line 2 from line 1d	3	54,095,852.
4	Cash deemed held for charitable activities. Enter 1 1/2% of line 3 (for greater amount, see instructions)	4	811,438.
5	Net value of noncharitable-use assets Subtract line 4 from line 3. Enter here and on Part V, line 4	5	53,284,414.
6	Minimum investment return Enter 5% of line 5	6	2,664,221.

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

1	Minimum investment return from Part X, line 6	1	2,664,221.
2a	Tax on investment income for 2016 from Part VI, line 5	2a	24,583.
b	Income tax for 2016. (This does not include the tax from Part VI.)	2b	
c	Add lines 2a and 2b	2c	24,583.
3	Distributable amount before adjustments. Subtract line 2c from line 1	3	2,639,638.
4	Recoveries of amounts treated as qualifying distributions	4	21,024.
5	Add lines 3 and 4	5	2,660,662.
6	Deduction from distributable amount (see instructions)	6	0.
7	Distributable amount as adjusted. Subtract line 6 from line 5. Enter here and on Part XIII, line 1	7	2,660,662.

Part XII Qualifying Distributions (see instructions)

1	Amounts paid (including administrative expenses) to accomplish charitable, etc., purposes:		
a	Expenses, contributions, gifts, etc. - total from Part I, column (d), line 26	1a	2,748,898.
b	Program-related investments - total from Part IX-B	1b	0.
2	Amounts paid to acquire assets used (or held for use) directly in carrying out charitable, etc., purposes	2	
3	Amounts set aside for specific charitable projects that satisfy the:		
a	Suitability test (prior IRS approval required)	3a	
b	Cash distribution test (attach the required schedule)	3b	
4	Qualifying distributions. Add lines 1a through 3b. Enter here and on Part V, line 8, and Part XIII, line 4	4	2,748,898.
5	Foundations that qualify under section 4940(e) for the reduced rate of tax on net investment income. Enter 1% of Part I, line 27b	5	24,583.
6	Adjusted qualifying distributions. Subtract line 5 from line 4	6	2,724,315.

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

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Part XIII Undistributed Income (see instructions)

	(a) Corpus	(b) Years prior to 2015	(c) 2015	(d) 2016
1 Distributable amount for 2016 from Part XI, line 7				2,660,662.
2 Undistributed income, if any, as of the end of 2016				
a Enter amount for 2015 only			2,634,929.	
b Total for prior years:		0.		
3 Excess distributions carryover, if any, to 2016:				
a From 2011				
b From 2012				
c From 2013				
d From 2014				
e From 2015				
f Total of lines 3a through e	0.			
4 Qualifying distributions for 2016 from Part XII, line 4: ► \$ 2,748,898.				
a Applied to 2015, but not more than line 2a			2,634,929.	
b Applied to undistributed income of prior years (Election required - see instructions)		0.		
c Treated as distributions out of corpus (Election required - see instructions)	0.			
d Applied to 2016 distributable amount				113,969.
e Remaining amount distributed out of corpus	0.			
5 Excess distributions carryover applied to 2016 (If an amount appears in column (d), the same amount must be shown in column (a).)	0.			0.
6 Enter the net total of each column as indicated below:				
a Corpus. Add lines 3f, 4c, and 4e. Subtract line 5	0.			
b Prior years' undistributed income. Subtract line 4b from line 2b		0.		
c Enter the amount of prior years' undistributed income for which a notice of deficiency has been issued, or on which the section 4942(a) tax has been previously assessed		0.		
d Subtract line 6c from line 6b. Taxable amount - see instructions		0.		
e Undistributed income for 2015. Subtract line 4a from line 2a. Taxable amount - see instr.			0.	
f Undistributed income for 2016. Subtract lines 4d and 5 from line 1. This amount must be distributed in 2017				2,546,693.
7 Amounts treated as distributions out of corpus to satisfy requirements imposed by section 170(b)(1)(F) or 4942(g)(3) (Election may be required - see instructions)	0.			
8 Excess distributions carryover from 2011 not applied on line 5 or line 7	0.			
9 Excess distributions carryover to 2017. Subtract lines 7 and 8 from line 6a	0.			
10 Analysis of line 9:				
a Excess from 2012				
b Excess from 2013				
c Excess from 2014				
d Excess from 2015				
e Excess from 2016				

Part XV Supplementary Information (continued)

3 Grants and Contributions Paid During the Year or Approved for Future Payment				
Recipient	If recipient is an individual, show any relationship to any foundation manager or substantial contributor	Foundation status of recipient	Purpose of grant or contribution	Amount
Name and address (home or business)				
a Paid during the year				
SEE STATEMENT 12	NONE	PC	VARIOUS	2,532,108.
Total			3a	2,532,108.
b Approved for future payment				
SEE STATEMENT 12	NONE	PC	VARIOUS	461,000.
Total			3b	461,000.

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FORM 990-PF DIVIDENDS AND INTEREST FROM SECURITIES STATEMENT 1

SOURCE	GROSS AMOUNT	CAPITAL GAINS DIVIDENDS	(A) REVENUE PER BOOKS	(B) NET INVEST- MENT INCOME	(C) ADJUSTED NET INCOME
DIVIDEND AND INTEREST INCOME	785,410.	0.	785,410.	785,410.	
TO PART I, LINE 4	785,410.	0.	785,410.	785,410.	

FORM 990-PF OTHER INCOME STATEMENT 2

DESCRIPTION	(A) REVENUE PER BOOKS	(B) NET INVEST- MENT INCOME	(C) ADJUSTED NET INCOME
OTHER	457.		
TOTAL TO FORM 990-PF, PART I, LINE 11	457.		

FORM 990-PF LEGAL FEES STATEMENT 3

DESCRIPTION	(A) EXPENSES PER BOOKS	(B) NET INVEST- MENT INCOME	(C) ADJUSTED NET INCOME	(D) CHARITABLE PURPOSES
LEGAL FEES	3,500.	0.		3,500.
TO FM 990-PF, PG 1, LN 16A	3,500.	0.		3,500.

FORM 990-PF ACCOUNTING FEES STATEMENT 4

DESCRIPTION	(A) EXPENSES PER BOOKS	(B) NET INVEST- MENT INCOME	(C) ADJUSTED NET INCOME	(D) CHARITABLE PURPOSES
ACCOUNTING FEES	11,183.	0.		11,183.
TO FORM 990-PF, PG 1, LN 16B	11,183.	0.		11,183.

FORM 990-PF	OTHER PROFESSIONAL FEES			STATEMENT	5
DESCRIPTION	(A) EXPENSES PER BOOKS	(B) NET INVEST- MENT INCOME	(C) ADJUSTED NET INCOME	(D) CHARITABLE PURPOSES	
TSPF INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT	42,700.	42,700.		0.	
CUSTODY FEE	130.	130.		0.	
INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT					
EXPENSES	149,145.	149,145.		0.	
PROGRAM CONSULTANTS	11,400.	0.		11,400.	
COMMUNICATION CONSULTANT	180.	0.		180.	
TO FORM 990-PF, PG 1, LN 16C	203,555.	191,975.		11,580.	

FORM 990-PF	TAXES			STATEMENT	6
DESCRIPTION	(A) EXPENSES PER BOOKS	(B) NET INVEST- MENT INCOME	(C) ADJUSTED NET INCOME	(D) CHARITABLE PURPOSES	
EXCISE AND DEFERRED EXCISE TAX EXPENSE	33,509.	0.		0.	
TO FORM 990-PF, PG 1, LN 18	33,509.	0.		0.	

FORM 990-PF	OTHER EXPENSES			STATEMENT	7
DESCRIPTION	(A) EXPENSES PER BOOKS	(B) NET INVEST- MENT INCOME	(C) ADJUSTED NET INCOME	(D) CHARITABLE PURPOSES	
TSPF ADMIN SERVICES	184,967.	0.		163,687.	
MEMBERSHIP DUES	8,800.	0.		8,800.	
INSURANCE	5,261.	0.		5,261.	
ANNUAL REPORT	1,417.	0.		1,417.	
INTERNET, WEB AND DESIGN	5,052.	0.		5,052.	
TO FORM 990-PF, PG 1, LN 23	205,497.	0.		184,217.	

FORM 990-PF	OTHER INVESTMENTS	STATEMENT	8
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DESCRIPTION	VALUATION METHOD	BOOK VALUE	FAIR MARKET VALUE
INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIPS - BALANCED CO-MINGLED FUND	FMV	54,875,315.	54,875,315.
TOTAL TO FORM 990-PF, PART II, LINE 13		54,875,315.	54,875,315.

FORM 990-PF	OTHER LIABILITIES	STATEMENT	9
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DESCRIPTION	BOY AMOUNT	EOY AMOUNT
DEFERRED TAX LIABILITY	75,105.	88,083.
TOTAL TO FORM 990-PF, PART II, LINE 22	75,105.	88,083.

FORM 990-PF	PART VIII - LIST OF OFFICERS, DIRECTORS TRUSTEES AND FOUNDATION MANAGERS	STATEMENT	10
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NAME AND ADDRESS	TITLE AND AVRG HRS/WK	COMPEN- SATION	EMPLOYEE BEN PLAN CONTRIB	EXPENSE ACCOUNT
TIMOTHY M. OBER 101 FIFTH STREET EAST, SUITE 2400 ST. PAUL, MN 55101	PRESIDENT 0.75	0.	0.	0.
GRETCHEN D. DAVIDSON 101 FIFTH STREET EAST, SUITE 2400 ST. PAUL, MN 55101	MEMBER 0.75	0.	0.	0.
PHYLLIS RAWLS GOFF 101 FIFTH STREET EAST, SUITE 2400 ST. PAUL, MN 55101	SECRETARY 0.75	0.	0.	0.
ANN MULHOLLAND 101 FIFTH STREET EAST, SUITE 2400 ST. PAUL, MN 55101	ADMINISTRATIVE DIRECTOR 2.50	0.	0.	0.
CHRISTINE SEARSON 101 FIFTH STREET EAST, SUITE 2400 ST. PAUL, MN 55101	FINANCE DIRECTOR 0.75	0.	0.	0.

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CORNELIA M. EBERHART 101 FIFTH STREET EAST, SUITE 2400 ST. PAUL, MN 55101	VICE PRESIDENT 0.75	0.	0.	0.
SAMUEL EBERHART 101 FIFTH STREET EAST, SUITE 2400 ST. PAUL, MN 55101	MEMBER 0.75	0.	0.	0.
JANICE K. ANGELL 101 FIFTH STREET EAST, SUITE 2400 ST. PAUL, MN 55101	MEMBER 0.75	0.	0.	0.
PAT MEDURE 101 FIFTH STREET EAST, SUITE 2400 ST. PAUL, MN 55101	MEMBER 0.75	0.	0.	0.
ROBERT DAVIDSON 101 FIFTH STREET EAST, SUITE 2400 ST. PAUL, MN 55101	TREASURER 0.75	0.	0.	0.
ARMANDO CAMACHO 101 FIFTH STREET EAST, SUITE 2400 ST. PAUL, MN 55101	MEMBER 0.75	0.	0.	0.
KELSEY OBER LAVALLE 101 FIFTH STREET EAST, SUITE 2400 ST. PAUL, MN 55101	MEMBER 0.75	0.	0.	0.
TOTALS INCLUDED ON 990-PF, PAGE 6, PART VIII		0.	0.	0.

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GRANT APPLICATION SUBMISSION INFORMATION
PART XV, LINES 2A THROUGH 2D

STATEMENT 11

NAME AND ADDRESS OF PERSON TO WHOM APPLICATIONS SHOULD BE SUBMITTED

MARDAG FOUNDATION, ATTN: GRANTS MANAGER
101 FIFTH STREET EAST, SUITE 2400
ST. PAUL, MN 55101

TELEPHONE NUMBER

651-244-5463

FORM AND CONTENT OF APPLICATIONS

PRIOR TO SUBMITTING A GRANT REQUEST, APPLICANTS SHOULD REQUEST THE
FOUNDATION'S APPLICATION PACKET. APPLICANTS MAY SUBMIT A LETTER OF INQUIRY
DESCRIBING THE PROPOSED PROJECT.

ANY SUBMISSION DEADLINES

SUBMIT PROPOSALS 4 MONTHS PRIOR TO A BOARD MEETING. MEETINGS OCCUR IN
APRIL, AUGUST AND NOVEMBER.

RESTRICTIONS AND LIMITATIONS ON AWARDS

GRANTS ARE MADE TO ORGANIZATIONS LOCATED WITHIN AND SERVING THE RESIDENTS
OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA.

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Grantee	Unpaid 1/1/2016	Approved Amount	Paid 2016	Amount Remaining
Amherst H Wilder Foundation	0	10,000	10,000	0
Minnesota Council on Foundations	0	5,850	5,850	0
Cultural Data Project	0	7,500	7,500	0
Amherst H Wilder Foundation	0	10,000	10,000	0
Duluth Art Institute Association	0	15,000	15,000	0
Institute for Agriculture and Trade Policy	0	15,000	15,000	0
Wonderlust Productions	0	11,000	0	11,000
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Kairos Alive	0	10,000	10,000	0
Red Wing Area Seniors Inc	0	10,458	10,458	0
Jewish Community Center of the Greater St Paul Area	0	10,000	0	10,000
Jewish Community Center of the Greater St Paul Area	0	20,000	0	20,000
Jewish Community Center of the Greater St Paul Area	0	20,000	20,000	0
The Sanneh Foundation Inc	0	15,000	15,000	0
The Link	0	10,000	10,000	0
The Karen Organization of Minnesota	0	15,000	15,000	0
White Bear Center for the Arts	0	15,000	15,000	0
Walker Adult Day Services	0	13,000	13,000	0
St Paul & Ramsey County Domestic Abuse Intervention Project	0	30,000	30,000	0
Rondo Avenue Inc	0	20,000	20,000	0
Playworks Education Energized	0	10,000	10,000	0
EVOLVE Adoption & Family Services	0	7,500	7,500	0
Mankato Symphony Orchestra Association Inc	0	15,000	0	15,000
Mankato Symphony Orchestra Association Inc	0	15,000	15,000	0
Churches United for the Homeless	0	9,000	9,000	0
Semcac Inc	0	25,000	25,000	0
Artspace Projects Inc	0	25,000	0	25,000
Artspace Projects Inc	0	25,000	25,000	0
Ujamaa Place	0	20,000	20,000	0
Genesys Works	0	10,000	10,000	0
Catholic Charities of the Diocese of St Cloud	0	20,000	20,000	0
Open Access Connections	0	15,000	15,000	0
Just Kids Dental Inc	0	15,000	15,000	0
Youth Frontiers Inc	0	20,000	20,000	0
DARTS	0	10,000	10,000	0
Park Square Theatre Company	0	25,000	0	25,000
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Park Square Theatre Company	0	25,000	25,000	0
Cookie Cart	0	50,000	50,000	0
Breakthrough Twin Cities	0	10,000	10,000	0
Montessori Training Center of Minnesota Inc	0	25,000	25,000	0
Womens Foundation of Minnesota	0	10,000	0	10,000
Womens Foundation of Minnesota	0	15,000	0	15,000
Womens Foundation of Minnesota	0	25,000	25,000	0
Ananya Dance Theatre	0	5,000	5,000	0
Evergreen Youth & Family Services Inc	0	20,000	20,000	0
Family Housing Fund	0	10,000	10,000	0

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Heart of Dance	0	15,000	15,000	0
The Minnesota Opera	0	25,000	25,000	0
The Saint Paul Parks Conservancy	0	10,000	0	10,000
The Saint Paul Parks Conservancy	0	20,000	0	20,000
The Saint Paul Parks Conservancy	0	20,000	20,000	0
360 Communities	0	15,000	15,000	0
Amherst H Wilder Foundation	0	10,000	10,000	0
Amherst H Wilder Foundation	0	10,000	10,000	0
Ampersand Families	0	30,000	30,000	0
Arts Midwest	0	20,000	0	20,000
Arts Midwest	0	20,000	20,000	0
Bemidji Community Arts Council Inc	0	30,000	30,000	0
Children's Defense Fund	0	10,000	10,000	0
Community Action Duluth	0	20,000	20,000	0
Community Thread	0	25,000	25,000	0
ComMUSICation	0	15,000	15,000	0
Comunidades Latinas Unidas En Servicio Inc	0	10,000	0	10,000
Comunidades Latinas Unidas En Servicio Inc	0	20,000	0	20,000
Comunidades Latinas Unidas En Servicio Inc	0	20,000	20,000	0
East Side Arts Council	0	10,000	10,000	0
Great River Educational Arts Theatre	0	20,000	20,000	0
Greater Twin Cities United Way	0	15,000	0	15,000
Greater Twin Cities United Way	0	15,000	15,000	0
Greater Twin Cities Youth Symphonies	0	10,000	0	10,000
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Hmong American Partnership	0	20,000	20,000	0
Hospitality House of Owatonna	0	15,000	15,000	0
Hunger Solutions Minnesota	0	10,000	10,000	0
Immigrant Law Center of Minnesota Inc	0	25,000	25,000	0
Interfaith Caregivers - Faith in Action Faribault County	0	10,000	10,000	0
Ka Joog Nonprofit Organization	0	15,000	15,000	0
Kindred Family Focus	0	20,000	20,000	0
Lakes Area Senior Activity Center Inc	0	10,000	10,000	0
Lao Assistance Center Of Minnesota	0	15,000	15,000	0
Lyra	0	14,100	14,100	0
Mankato Ballet Company	0	13,050	13,050	0
Men as Peacemakers	0	20,000	20,000	0
Metropolitan Regional Arts Council	0	10,000	10,000	0
Mizna	0	10,000	10,000	0
Northland Foundation	0	100,000	0	100,000
Northland Foundation	0	50,000	50,000	0
Northland Foundation	0	50,000	50,000	0
Open Doors for Youth	0	20,000	20,000	0
Project Friendship Inc	0	12,400	12,400	0
Reading Partners	0	15,000	15,000	0
Saint Paul City Ballet	0	20,000	20,000	0
Second Harvest North Central Food Bank Inc	0	20,000	20,000	0
Southern Minnesota Initiative Foundation	0	100,000	0	100,000

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Southern Minnesota Initiative Foundation	0	100,000	100,000	0
Springboard for the Arts	0	15,000	15,000	0
The Family Place	0	15,000	15,000	0
The History Theatre Inc	0	8,700	8,700	0
The Rose Ensemble	0	20,000	20,000	0
Tubman	0	30,000	30,000	0
Valley Outreach	0	20,000	20,000	0
Vega Productions Inc	0	10,000	10,000	0
Walker Adult Day Services	0	30,000	30,000	0
Channel One Inc	0		0	0
Channel One Inc	0	50,000	50,000	0
Corner House-Interagency Child Abuse Evaluation Center	0	20,000	20,000	0
Duluth Area Family YMCA	0	8,500	8,500	0
Helping Hands Outreach to Elders Inc	0	12,000	12,000	0
Honor the Earth	0	15,000	15,000	0
Life House Incorporated	0	40,000	40,000	0
Minnesota African Womens Association	0	10,000	10,000	0
Habitat for Humanity International Inc	0	15,000	0	15,000
Senior Citizens Service Inc	0	20,000	20,000	0
Theatre Unbound Inc	0	10,000	10,000	0
University of Minnesota Foundation	0	20,000	20,000	0
White Earth Reservation Tribal Council	0	30,000	30,000	0
Young Womens Christian Association	0	20,000	0	20,000
The Saint Paul Foundation	0	50,000	50,000	0
The Saint Paul Foundation	0	50,000	50,000	0
Minnesota Landmarks Inc	0	10,000	10,000	0
Merrick Community Services	50,000	-50,000		0
The Arts Partnership	25,000	0	25,000	0
West Central Initiative	35,050	0	35,050	0
Friends of the St Paul Public Library	10,000	(10,000)	0	0
Inver Hills Community College Foundation	20,000	0	0	20,000
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The Jones Family Foundation	30,000	0	30,000	0
Lutheran Social Service of Minnesota	20,000	0	20,000	0
Youthprise	10,000	0	10,000	0
Duluth Playhouse, Inc	20,000	0	20,000	0
Casa De Esperanza	10,000	0	10,000	0
College Possible	10,000	0	10,000	0
Phillips Eye Institute Foundation	10,000	0	10,000	0
Minnesota Museum of American Art	25,000	0	25,000	0
Bridging Incorporated	25,000	0	25,000	0
Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of St. Paul &	25,000	0	25,000	0
Frogtown Gardens	25,000	0	25,000	0
Heartland Ranch Inc	20,000	0	20,000	0
Men as Peacemakers	20,000	0	20,000	0
Project for Pride in Living Inc	15,000	0	15,000	0
Think Small	20,000	0	20,000	0

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Volunteer Lawyers Network	20,000	0	20,000	0
Young Mens Christian Association of the Greater Twin Cities	25,000	0	25,000	0
Young Women's Christian Association of Mankato, Minnesota	10,000	0	10,000	0
Duluth Childrens Museum Inc	30,000	0	0	30,000
Duluth Childrens Museum Inc	30,000	0	0	30,000
Minnesota Children's Museum	25,000	0	0	25,000
Minnesota Children's Museum	25,000	0	25,000	0
Reif Arts Council	30,000	0	30,000	0
Bi-County Community Action Council Inc	25,000	0	25,000	0
Family Tree Inc	5,000	0	5,000	0
Family Values for Life	10,000	0	10,000	0
St Paul Area Council of Churches	10,000	0	10,000	0
Lakeshore Players Inc	25,000	0	25,000	0
The Grand Center for Arts and Culture Inc	10,000	0	10,000	0
American Indian Family Center	10,000	0	10,000	0
Franconia Sculpture Park	25,000	0	0	25,000
Franconia Sculpture Park	25,000	0	25,000	0
Saint Paul Chamber Orchestra Society	25,000	0	25,000	0
Second Harvest Heartland	0	5,000	5,000	0
Tubman	0	5,000	5,000	0

Total for report:	810,050	2,368,058	2,532,108	646,000
CY grant discount		-		-
PY grant discount	(4,735)	4,735		
CY conditional grants		(35,000)		(35,000)
PY conditional grants	(230,050)	170,050		(60,000)
Grants acct 9000 audited balance	575,265	2,507,843		551,000

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 2,486,819

Grants Approved in Current Year to be Paid in Future Years 461,000