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Form **990**Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service**Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax**

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

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OMB No 1545-0047

2016**Open to Public Inspection**

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

B Check if applicable:
☐ Address change
☐ Name change
☐ Initial return
☐ Final return/terminated
☐ Amended return
☐ Application pending

C Name of organization **Anne Arundel County Farm Bureau, Inc**
 Doing business as
 Number and street (or P O box if mail is not delivered to street address) Room/suite
5643 Greenock Road
 City or town State ZIP code
Lothian MD 20711-9765
 Foreign country name Foreign province/state/country Foreign postal code

D Employer identification number
52-1282045

E Telephone number
(410) 741-9212

G Gross receipts \$ **333,524**

F Name and address of principal officer
John Faber 4570 Owensville-Sudley RD, Harwood, MD 20776

H(a) Is this a group return for subordinates? ☐ Yes ☒ No
H(b) Are all subordinates included? ☐ Yes ☒ No
 If "No," attach a list (see instructions)

I Tax-exempt status ☐ 501(c)(3) ☒ 501(c) (5) ◀ (insert no) ☐ 4947(a)(1) or ☐ 527

J Website: ▶ **www.annearundel.mdfarmbureau.com**

K Form of organization ☒ Corporation ☐ Trust ☐ Association ☐ Other ▶

L Year of formation **1956**

M State of legal domicile - **MD**

H(c) Group exemption number ▶

Part I Summary

1 Briefly describe the organization's mission or most significant activities: **To assist farmers and promote farming interest**

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

3 Number of voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1a) **3** **17**

4 Number of independent voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1b) **4** **16**

5 Total number of individuals employed in calendar year 2016 (Part V, line 2a) **5** **1**

6 Total number of volunteers (estimate if necessary) **6** **60**

7a Total unrelated business revenue from Part VIII, column (C), line 12 **7a** **0**

b Net unrelated business taxable income from Form 990-T, line 34 **7b** **0**

	Prior Year	Current Year
8 Contributions and grants (Part VIII, line 1h) RECEIVED	77,312	71,296
9 Program service revenue (Part VIII, line 2g)	0	0
10 Investment income (Part VIII, column (A), lines 3, 4, and 7d)	12,566	9,108
11 Other revenue (Part VIII, column (A), lines 5, 6d, 8c, 9c, 10c, and 11e)	30,979	22,340
12 Total revenue—add lines 8 through 11 (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	120,857	102,744
13 Grants and similar amounts paid (Part IX, column (A), lines 1–3)	3,450	9,900
14 Benefits paid to or for members (Part IX, column (A), line 4)	156	156
15 Salaries, other compensation, employee benefits (Part IX, column (A), lines 5–10)	15,802	17,054
16a Professional fundraising fees (Part IX, column (A), line 11e)	0	0
b Total fundraising expenses (Part IX, column (D), line 25) ▶ 0		
17 Other expenses (Part IX, column (A), lines 11a–11d, 11f–24e)	40,176	30,869
18 Total expenses. Add lines 13–17 (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	59,584	57,979
19 Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 18 from line 12	61,273	44,765

	Beginning of Current Year	End of Year
20 Total assets (Part X, line 16)	522,136	566,978
21 Total liabilities (Part X, line 26)	563	640
22 Net assets or fund balances. Subtract line 21 from line 20	521,573	566,338

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 **Christine M. Griffith** **5-12-17**
 Signature of officer Date
Christine M. Griffith Secretary-Treasurer
 Type or print name and title

Paid Preparer Use Only

Print/Type preparer's name Preparer's signature Date
Robert B. Carico, CPA **Robert B. Carico, CPA** **5/1/17**

Check ☐ if self-employed PTIN **P01068208**

Firm's name ▶ **Robert B Carico, Inc** Firm's EIN ▶ **52-1379982**

Firm's address ▶ **1583 Underwood Rd., Gambrills, MD 21054** Phone no **410-721-2919**

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

For Paperwork Reduction Act Notice, see the separate instructions.

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Form 990 (2016)

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

To organize and conduct an agricultural association for the promotion of agriculture and
 for the purposes of mutual help and other non-profitable purposes, no part of the net
 earnings of which is to inure to the benefit of any member

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

The economic, social, and educational interest of farmers were protected, promoted, and/or
 represented through meetings, conventions, and a variety of other activities to better the
 farmer's position and educate the public.

4b (Code _____) (Expenses \$ _____ including grants of \$ _____) (Revenue \$ _____)**4c** (Code _____) (Expenses \$ _____ including grants of \$ _____) (Revenue \$ _____)**4d** Other program services (Describe in Schedule O)

(Expenses \$ 0 including grants of \$ 0) (Revenue \$ 0)

4e Total program service expenses **0**

Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules

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

Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules (continued)

	Yes	No
20a Did the organization operate one or more hospital facilities? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule H</i>		X
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>		X
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>	X	
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>		X
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>		X
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>		X
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>		X
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>		X
b A family member of a current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV</i>		X
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>		X
29 Did the organization receive more than \$25,000 in non-cash contributions? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule M</i>		X
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>		X
31 Did the organization liquidate, terminate, or dissolve and cease operations? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part I</i>		X
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>		X
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>		X
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)?		X
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>		X
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	X	

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

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

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.	17	
1b Enter the number of voting members included in line 1a, above, who are independent.	16	
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?	X	
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?		X
4 Did the organization make any significant changes to its governing documents since the prior Form 990 was filed?		X
5 Did the organization become aware during the year of a significant diversion of the organization's assets?		X
6 Did the organization have members or stockholders?	X	
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?	X	
7b Are any governance decisions of the organization reserved to (or subject to approval by) members, stockholders, or persons other than the governing body?		X
8 Did the organization contemporaneously document the meetings held or written actions undertaken during the year by the following:		
a The governing body?	X	
b Each committee with authority to act on behalf of the governing body?	X	
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.		X

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?		X
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.	X	
b Were officers, directors, or trustees, and key employees required to disclose annually interests that could give rise to conflicts?		X
c Did the organization regularly and consistently monitor and enforce compliance with the policy? If "Yes," describe in Schedule O how this was done.		X
13 Did the organization have a written whistleblower policy?	X	
14 Did the organization have a written document retention and destruction policy?	X	
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		X
b Other officers or key employees of the organization. If "Yes" to line 15a or 15b, describe the process in Schedule O (see instructions).	X	
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?		X
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. ▶ None

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. ▶
 Christine M. Griffith, Secretary-Treasurer (410) 741-9212
 5643 Greenock Road, Lothian, MD 20711-9765

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) John Faber President	8.00	X		X				500		
(2) Jeffrey Griffith Vice-President	3.00	X		X				300		
(3) Christine M. Griffith Secretary-Treasurer	25.00	X		X				15,192		
(4) Rick Catterton Board Member	2.00	X								
(5) Earl Griffith Membership Chair	4.00	X								
(6) Mark Hopkins Board Member	6.00	X								
(7) Ross E. Moreland Board Member	6.00	X								
(8) Stuart Pittman, Jr. Equine Chair	3.00	X								
(9) Frank Tremel Livestock/Poultry	3.00	X								
(10) Milly B. Welsh Legislative Chair	3.00	X								
(11) Martin Zehner Farmers Market Chair	3.00	X								
(12) Liza Barge Education Chair	3.00	X								
(13) Florence Carr Education Chair	3.00	X								
(14) Christine Catterton Women's Chair	3.00	X								

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) Lillian M. Griffith Scholarship Chair	3 00	X								
(16) Shelly Hopkins Young Farmers Rep	3 00	X								
(17) Robert Roseback Board Member	3 00	X								
(18)										
(19)										
(20)										
(21)										
(22)										
(23)										
(24)										
(25)										
1b Sub-total								15,992	0	0
c Total from continuation sheets to Part VII, Section A								0	0	0
d Total (add lines 1b and 1c)								15,992	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 **0**

- | | 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> | | X |
| 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> | | X |
| 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> | | X |

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
		0
		0
		0
		0
		0

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 **0**

Part VIII Statement of RevenueCheck if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part VIII. ☐

			(A) Total revenue	(B) Related or exempt function revenue	(C) Unrelated business revenue	(D) Revenue excluded from tax under sections 512-514		
Contributions, Gifts, Grants and Other Similar Amounts	1a	Federated campaigns	1a	0				
	b	Membership dues	1b	71,296				
	c	Fundraising events	1c	0				
	d	Related organizations	1d	0				
	e	Government grants (contributions)	1e	0				
	f	All other contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts not included above	1f	0				
	g	Noncash contributions included in lines 1a-1f	\$	0				
	h	Total. Add lines 1a-1f		71,296				
Program Service Revenue	Business Code							
	2a			0				
	b			0				
	c			0				
	d			0				
	e			0				
	f	All other program service revenue		0				
g	Total. Add lines 2a-2f		0					
Other Revenue	3	Investment income (including dividends, interest, and other similar amounts)		6,326				
	4	Income from investment of tax-exempt bond proceeds		0				
	5	Royalties		0				
	6a	Gross rents	(i) Real	(ii) Personal				
			0	0				
	d	Net rental income or (loss)		0				
	7a	Gross amount from sales of assets other than inventory	(i) Securities	(ii) Other				
			50,475	0				
			47,693	0				
	c	Gain or (loss)		2,782	0			
	d	Net gain or (loss)		2,782				
	8a	Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ 0 of contributions reported on line 1c) See Part IV, line 18	a	205,362				
			b	183,087				
			c	Net income or (loss) from fundraising events		22,275		
			9a	Gross income from gaming activities. See Part IV, line 19	a	0		
	b	Less direct expenses	b	0				
	c	Net income or (loss) from gaming activities		0				
10a	Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances	a	0					
		b	Less cost of goods sold	b	0			
		c	Net income or (loss) from sales of inventory		0			
Miscellaneous Revenue		Business Code						
11a			0					
b			0					
c			0					
d	All other revenue		65					
e	Total. Add lines 11a-11d		65					
12	Total revenue. See instructions		102,744	0	0	0		

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 domestic governments See Part IV, line 21	3,400	3,400		
2 Grants and other assistance to domestic individuals. See Part IV, line 22	6,500	6,500		
3 Grants and other assistance to foreign organizations, foreign governments, and foreign individuals See Part IV, lines 15 and 16	0			
4 Benefits paid to or for members	156	156		
5 Compensation of current officers, directors, trustees, and key employees	15,992	800	15,192	
6 Compensation not included above, to disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)) and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B)	0			
7 Other salaries and wages	0			
8 Pension plan accruals and contributions (include section 401(k) and 403(b) employer contributions)	0			
9 Other employee benefits	0			
10 Payroll taxes	1,062		1,062	
11 Fees for services (non-employees)				
a Management	0			
b Legal	0			
c Accounting	1,600		1,600	
d Lobbying	0			
e Professional fundraising services See Part IV, line 17	0			
f Investment management fees	3,541		3,541	
g Other (If line 11g amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A) amount, list line 11g expenses on Schedule O)	0			
12 Advertising and promotion	0			
13 Office expenses	2,975		2,975	
14 Information technology	0			
15 Royalties	0			
16 Occupancy	0			
17 Travel	0			
18 Payments of travel or entertainment expenses for any federal, state, or local public officials	0			
19 Conferences, conventions, and meetings	17,297	17,297		
20 Interest	0			
21 Payments to affiliates	0			
22 Depreciation, depletion, and amortization	0	0	0	0
23 Insurance	2,351		2,351	
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 Agricultural Education	2,411	2,411		
b Misc. Donations and Gifts	618	618		
c Miscellaneous Expense	76		76	
d	0			
e All other expenses	0			
25 Total functional expenses. Add lines 1 through 24e	57,979	31,182	26,797	0
26 Joint costs. Complete this line only if the organization reported in column (B) joint costs from a combined educational campaign and fundraising solicitation. Check here ☐ if following SOP 98-2 (ASC 958-720)				

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

		(A) Beginning of year		(B) End of year
Assets	1 Cash—non-interest-bearing	67,305	1	103,757
	2 Savings and temporary cash investments	93,112	2	96,511
	3 Pledges and grants receivable, net	0	3	0
	4 Accounts receivable, net	0	4	0
	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	0	7	0
	8 Inventories for sale or use		8	
	9 Prepaid expenses and deferred charges		9	
	10a Land, buildings, and equipment: cost or other basis. Complete Part VI of Schedule D.	10a 0		
	b Less: accumulated depreciation	10b 0	10c 0	
	11 Investments—publicly traded securities	361,719	11	366,710
	12 Investments—other securities. See Part IV, line 11.	0	12	0
	13 Investments—program-related. See Part IV, line 11.	0	13	0
	14 Intangible assets	0	14	0
	15 Other assets. See Part IV, line 11.	0	15	0
16 Total assets. Add lines 1 through 15 (must equal line 34).	522,136	16	566,978	
Liabilities	17 Accounts payable and accrued expenses	563	17	640
	18 Grants payable		18	
	19 Deferred revenue		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	0	23	0
	24 Unsecured notes and loans payable to unrelated third parties	0	24	0
	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.	0	25	0
	26 Total liabilities. Add lines 17 through 25.	563	26	640
Net Assets or Fund Balances	Organizations that follow SFAS 117 (ASC 958), check here ☐ and complete lines 27 through 29, and lines 33 and 34.			
	27 Unrestricted net assets		27	
	28 Temporarily restricted net assets		28	
	29 Permanently restricted net assets		29	
	Organizations that do not follow SFAS 117 (ASC 958), check here ☒ and complete lines 30 through 34.			
	30 Capital stock or trust principal, or current funds		30	
	31 Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, building, or equipment fund		31	
	32 Retained earnings, endowment, accumulated income, or other funds	521,573	32	566,338
33 Total net assets or fund balances	521,573	33	566,338	
34 Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances	522,136	34	566,978	

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

1	Total revenue (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	1	102,744
2	Total expenses (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	2	57,979
3	Revenue less expenses Subtract line 2 from line 1	3	44,765
4	Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (must equal Part X, line 33, column (A))	4	521,573
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	
9	Other changes in net assets or fund balances (explain in Schedule O)	9	
10	Net assets or fund balances at end of year Combine lines 3 through 9 (must equal Part X, line 33, column (B))	10	566,338

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

		Yes	No
1	Accounting method used to prepare the Form 990 ☒ Cash ☐ Accrual ☐ Other _____ If the organization changed its method of accounting from a prior year or checked "Other," explain in Schedule O.		
2a	Were the organization's financial statements compiled or reviewed by an independent accountant? If "Yes," check a box below to indicate whether the financial statements for the year were compiled or reviewed on a separate basis, consolidated basis, or both ☒ Separate basis ☐ Consolidated basis ☐ Both consolidated and separate basis	X	
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		X
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.		X
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?		X
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		

SCHEDULE C
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Political Campaign and Lobbying Activities

OMB No 1545-0047

2016

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For Organizations Exempt From Income Tax Under section 501(c) and section 527

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

- ▶ **Complete if the organization is described below.** ▶ **Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ.**
▶ **Information about Schedule C (Form 990 or 990-EZ) and its instructions is at www.irs.gov/form990.**

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

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

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

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

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

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

Name of organization	Employer identification number
Anne Arundel County Farm Bureau, Inc	52-1282045

Part I-A Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c) or is a section 527 organization.

- 1 Provide a description of the organization's direct and indirect political campaign activities in Part IV (see instructions for definition of "political campaign activities")
- 2 Political campaign activity expenditures (see instructions) ▶ \$
- 3 Volunteer hours

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

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

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

- 1 Enter the amount directly expended by the filing organization for section 527 exempt function activities ▶ \$
- 2 Enter the amount of the filing organization's funds contributed to other organizations for section 527 exempt function activities ▶ \$
- 3 Total exempt function expenditures Add lines 1 and 2 Enter here and on Form 1120-POL, line 17b ▶ \$ 0
- 4 Did the filing organization file Form 1120-POL for this year? ☐ Yes ☐ No
- 5 Enter the names, addresses and employer identification number (EIN) of all section 527 political organizations to which the filing organization made payments For each organization listed, enter the amount paid from the filing organization's funds Also enter the amount of political contributions received that were promptly and directly delivered to a separate political organization, such as a separate segregated fund or a political action committee (PAC) If additional space is needed, provide information in Part IV

(a) Name	(b) Address	(c) EIN	(d) Amount paid from filing organization's funds If none, enter -0-	(e) Amount of political contributions received and promptly and directly delivered to a separate political organization If none, enter -0-
(1)				
(2)				
(3)				
(4)				
(5)				
(6)				

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

- A** Check ☐ if the filing organization belongs to an affiliated group (and list in Part IV each affiliated group member's name, address, EIN, expenses, and share of excess lobbying expenditures)
- B** Check ☐ if the filing organization checked box A and "limited control" provisions apply

Limits on Lobbying Expenditures (The term "expenditures" means amounts paid or incurred.)		(a) Filing organization's totals	(b) Affiliated group totals												
1a	Total lobbying expenditures to influence public opinion (grass roots lobbying)		0												
b	Total lobbying expenditures to influence a legislative body (direct lobbying)		0												
c	Total lobbying expenditures (add lines 1a and 1b)	0	0												
d	Other exempt purpose expenditures		0												
e	Total exempt purpose expenditures (add lines 1c and 1d)	0	0												
f	Lobbying nontaxable amount Enter the amount from the following table in both columns	0	0												
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If the amount on line 1e, column (a) or (b) is:	The lobbying nontaxable amount is:														
Not over \$500,000	20% of the amount on line 1e														
Over \$500,000 but not over \$1,000,000	\$100,000 plus 15% of the excess over \$500,000														
Over \$1,000,000 but not over \$1,500,000	\$175,000 plus 10% of the excess over \$1,000,000														
Over \$1,500,000 but not over \$17,000,000	\$225,000 plus 5% of the excess over \$1,500,000														
Over \$17,000,000	\$1,000,000														
g	Grassroots nontaxable amount (enter 25% of line 1f)	0	0												
h	Subtract line 1g from line 1a. If zero or less, enter -0-	0	0												
i	Subtract line 1f from line 1c. If zero or less, enter -0-	0	0												
j	If there is an amount other than zero on either line 1h or line 1i, did the organization file Form 4720 reporting section 4911 tax for this year?	☐ Yes ☐ No													

4-Year Averaging Period Under section 501(h)

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

Lobbying Expenditures During 4-Year Averaging Period					
Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in)	(a) 2013	(b) 2014	(c) 2015	(d) 2016	(e) Total
2a Lobbying nontaxable amount			0	0	0
b Lobbying ceiling amount (150% of line 2a, column(e))					0
c Total lobbying expenditures			0	0	0
d Grassroots nontaxable amount			0	0	0
e Grassroots ceiling amount (150% of line 2d, column (e))					0
f Grassroots lobbying expenditures			0	0	0

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

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

	(a)		(b)
	Yes	No	Amount
1 During the year, did the filing organization attempt to influence foreign, national, state or local legislation, including any attempt to influence public opinion on a legislative matter or referendum, through the use of			
a Volunteers?			
b Paid staff or management (include compensation in expenses reported on lines 1c through 1i)?			
c Media advertisements?			
d Mailings to members, legislators, or the public?			
e Publications, or published or broadcast statements?			
f Grants to other organizations for lobbying purposes?			
g Direct contact with legislators, their staffs, government officials, or a legislative body?			
h Rallies, demonstrations, seminars, conventions, speeches, lectures, or any similar means?			
i Other activities?			
j Total. Add lines 1c through 1i			0
2a Did the activities in line 1 cause the organization to be not described in section 501(c)(3)?			
b If "Yes," enter the amount of any tax incurred under section 4912			
c If "Yes," enter the amount of any tax incurred by organization managers under section 4912			
d If the filing organization incurred a section 4912 tax, did it file Form 4720 for this year?			

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

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

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

1 Dues, assessments and similar amounts from members	1	
2 Section 162(e) nondeductible lobbying and political expenditures (do not include amounts of political expenses for which the section 527(f) tax was paid).		
a Current year	2a	
b Carryover from last year	2b	
c Total	2c	0
3 Aggregate amount reported in section 6033(e)(1)(A) notices of nondeductible section 162(e) dues	3	
4 If notices were sent and the amount on line 2c exceeds the amount on line 3, what portion of the excess does the organization agree to carryover to the reasonable estimate of nondeductible lobbying and political expenditure next year?	4	
5 Taxable amount of lobbying and political expenditures (see instructions)	5	0

Part IV Supplemental Information

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

Part IV **Supplemental Information** *(continued)*

SCHEDULE G
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Supplemental Information Regarding Fundraising or Gaming Activities

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 17, 18, or 19, or if the organization entered more than \$15,000 on Form 990-EZ, line 6a

▶ Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ.

▶ Information about Schedule G (Form 990 or 990-EZ) and its instructions is at www.irs.gov/form990.

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Name of the organization

Anne Arundel County Farm Bureau, Inc

Employer identification number

52-1282045

Part I Fundraising Activities. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 17
Form 990-EZ filers are not required to complete this part.

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

- a** ☐ Mail solicitations **e** ☐ Solicitation of non-government grants
b ☐ Internet and email solicitations **f** ☐ Solicitation of government grants
c ☐ Phone solicitations **g** ☐ Special fundraising events
d ☐ In-person solicitations

2a Did the organization have a written or oral agreement with any individual (including officers, directors, trustees, or key employees listed in Form 990, Part VII) or entity in connection with professional fundraising services? ☐ Yes ☐ No

b If "Yes," list the 10 highest paid individuals or entities (fundraisers) pursuant to agreements under which the fundraiser is to be compensated at least \$5,000 by the organization

(i) Name and address of individual or entity (fundraiser)	(ii) Activity	(iii) Did fundraiser have custody or control of contributions?		(iv) Gross receipts from activity	(v) Amount paid to (or retained by) fundraiser listed in col (i)	(vi) Amount paid to (or retained by) organization
		Yes	No			
1				0	0	0
2				0	0	0
3				0	0	0
4				0	0	0
5				0	0	0
6				0	0	0
7				0	0	0
8				0	0	0
9				0	0	0
10				0	0	0
Total				0	0	0

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

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

		(a) Event #1 <u>Farm Equip Auction</u> (event type)	(b) Event #2 <u>Fruit Sakes</u> (event type)	(c) Other events <u>NONE</u> (total number)	(d) Total events (add col (a) through col (c))
Revenue	1 Gross receipts	204,594	768	0	205,362
	2 Less. Contributions			0	0
	3 Gross income (line 1 minus line 2)	204,594	768	0	205,362
Direct Expenses	4 Cash prizes			0	0
	5 Noncash prizes			0	0
	6 Rent/facility costs			0	0
	7 Food and beverages			0	0
	8 Entertainment			0	0
	9 Other direct expenses	182,037	1,050	0	183,087
	10 Direct expense summary Add lines 4 through 9 in column (d)				183,087
11 Net income summary Subtract line 10 from line 3, column (d)				22,275	

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

		(a) Bingo	(b) Pull tabs/instant bingo/progressive bingo	(c) Other gaming	(d) Total gaming (add col (a) through col (c))
Revenue	1 Gross revenue				0
Direct Expenses	2 Cash prizes				0
	3 Noncash prizes				0
	4 Rent/facility costs				0
	5 Other direct expenses				0
	6 Volunteer labor	☐ Yes _____% ☐ No	☐ Yes _____% ☐ No	☐ Yes _____% ☐ No	
	7 Direct expense summary Add lines 2 through 5 in column (d)				0
	8 Net gaming income summary Subtract line 7 from line 1, column (d)				0

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

a Is the organization licensed to conduct gaming activities in each of these states? ☐ Yes ☐ No

b If "No," explain _____

10a Were any of the organization's gaming licenses revoked, suspended, or terminated during the tax year? ☐ Yes ☐ No

b If "Yes," explain _____

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

Name ▶

Address ▶

- 15a Does the organization have a contract with a third party from whom the organization receives gaming revenue? ☐ Yes ☐ No
- b If "Yes," enter the amount of gaming revenue received by the organization ▶ \$ 0 and the amount of gaming revenue retained by the third party ▶ \$ 0
- c If "Yes," enter name and address of the third party

Name ▶

Address ▶

16 Gaming manager information

Name ▶

Gaming manager compensation ▶ \$ 0

Description of services provided ▶

☐ Director/officer
☐ Employee
☐ Independent contractor

17 Mandatory distributions

- a Is the organization required under state law to make charitable distributions from the gaming proceeds to retain the state gaming license? ☐ Yes ☐ No
- b Enter the amount of distributions required under state law to be distributed to other exempt organizations or spent in the organization's own exempt activities during the tax year ▶ \$ 0

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

Part II, Lines 1 - 9, Event #1, Fund raising Events - Each year the Young Farmers Committee (YF) holds a farm equipment auction to provide farmers with a way to dispose of unneeded equipment and to provide other farmers the opportunity to acquire used needed equipment at reasonable prices. The sales facilities are provided by a Farm Bureau member at no cost and no one receives any compensation for services provided for the auction event. Gross receipts primarily represent the auction price at which the equipment was sold. The equipment owner receives these funds less a commission the FY's receive for selling the equipment. Unsold equipment is returned to its owner. Gross receipts and expenses also include a small amount represented by the sale of food and refreshments for the convenience of auction attendees.

**SCHEDULE I
(Form 990)**

**Grants and Other Assistance to Organizations,
Governments, and Individuals in the United States**
Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 21 or 22.
▶ Attach to Form 990.

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Part I General Information on Grants and Assistance

- 1** Does the organization maintain records to substantiate the amount of the grants or assistance, the grantees' eligibility for the grants or assistance, and the selection criteria used to award the grants or assistance?
2 Describe in Part IV the organization's procedures for monitoring the use of grant funds in the United States

☒ Yes ☐ No

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

1 (a) Name and address of organization or government	(b) EIN	(c) IRC section if applicable	(d) Amount of cash grant	(e) Amount of non-cash assistance	(f) Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other)	(g) Description of non-cash assistance	(h) Purpose of grant or assistance
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2 Enter total number of section 501(c)(3) and government organizations listed in the line 1 table

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

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

Part III can be duplicated if additional space is needed

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(a) Type of grant or assistance	(b) Number of recipients	(c) Amount of cash grant	(d) Amount of noncash assistance	(e) Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other)	(f) Description of noncash assistance
Scholarships					
1	5	6,500			
2					
3					
4					
5					
6					
7					

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

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SCHEDULE O
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

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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.

▶ Information about Schedule O (Form 990 or 990-EZ) and its instructions is at www.irs.gov/form990.

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Form 990, Part VI, Line 2 Relationships between Officers and Directors:

The following Officers and Directors have a **Family Relationship** with one or more other members of the organization's governing body. There are no known business relationships.

Officers/Diretors

Jeffrey Griffith, Vice-President

Christine M. Griffith, Secretary/Treasurer

Board of Directors:

Earl Griffith

Mark Hopkins

Directors at Large:

Lillian M. Griffith

Shelley Hopkins

Form 990, Part VI, Line 6, Classes of Membership:

The Anne Arundel County Farm Bureau has two classes of membership, Regular and Associated.

1. **Regular Members** are those members who are engaged in the raising of crops such as corn, wheat, soybeans, etc.; livestock/poultry production; Equine; and other farming activities either full or part time. Such members have full voting rights.

2. **Associate members** are those members who may have an interest in farming activities but primarily join to take advantage of the insurance discount offered to Farm Bureau members by Nationwide Insurance Co. These members have the same rights as regular members except they do not have the right to vote on Farm Bureau matters or to hold the office of President or Vice-President.

Form 990, Part VI, Line 7a & b, Members with Powers to Elect or Appoint Members of The Governing Body:

Regular members as defined above in Part VI, Line 6, are the only members who have the power to elect or appoint regular members of the governing body. This is done at the Anne Arundel County Farm Bureau's annual meeting based on the report of a Board of Directors' appointed nominating committee and regular member(s) recommendations taken from the floor. Five percent or 30 of the organization's regular members (whichever is greater) shall constitute a quorum. The setting Board of Directors has the power to fill all vacancies on the governing body caused by death, resignation, removal, or otherwise until the next annual or special meeting. Directors at Large of the governing body are appointed by the President and approved by the Board of Directors.

Form 990, Part VI, Line 9, Contact Address of Members of the Governing Body.

All members of the governing body can be reached at the Anne Arundel County Farm Bureau's address as shown on page 1.

Form 990, Part VI, Line 11b, Process for Review of this Return by the Governing Body:

There is no policy or procedure for the review of the Form 990 by members of the Governing Body and none was or will be performed either before or after the filing of this Return.

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Form 990, Part VI, Line 15b, Determination of Compensation of Officers.

The only Farm Bureau position for which wages are paid is that of the Secretary-Treasurer. In addition, the President and Vice-President positions may receive unaccounted for travel allowances to cover out of pocket local travel expense to transact Farm Bureau business and/or activities. The organization usually uses a committee composed of appointed board members which determine and make recommendations as to the wages and travel allowances based on what other similar organizations are paying. At other times the Board of Directors will receive recommendations from a board member(s) as to compensation and/or travel allowances. In all cases, the full Board of Directors makes the final decision(s) as to the amount of compensation to be paid.

Form 990, Part VI, Line 18, Availability of Form 990 to the General Public during the tax year:

Upon request Anne Arundel County Farm Bureau, Inc. will make its Form 990EZ or Form 990 available to any member of the general public. In addition at the monthly meetings of the Board of Directors the Treasurer provides a detailed itemization of all non-investment receipts and disbursements that reflect changes to the beginning of the period Cash Fund Balance. The Board prefers this detailed listing for reviewing the past month's transactions, and its members and any other person(s) in attendance receive a copy to review and ask question(s). Prior to 2016 a formalized copy of the Farm Bureau's Income and Disbursements Report setting forth the monthly and Year to Date revenue and disbursements by account is prepared monthly and retained in a binder ready for inspection, and the preparation of its Form 990EZ or Form 990. The preparation of this report was discontinued during 2016 due to the investing of surplus cash in various mutual funds managed by 1st Global Research and Consulting. The Treasurer is not an accountant or bookkeeper and did not know or understand how to incorporate and/or account for these independent investment transactions. Therefore, the Farm Bureau's Independent CPA had to compile the 2016 Farm Bureau's Income and Disbursements Report from various sources to provide a Report to service as the basis for the preparation of this Form 990 for 2016. To date, the Anne Arundel County Farm Bureau is not aware of any request(s) for a copy or physical inspection of any of its Form 990EZ or Form 990 files

Form 990, Part VI, Line 19, Availability of Governing Documents, Conflict of Interest Policy, and Financial Statements to the General Public during the tax year: The Farm Bureau does not make any of the above documents available to the general public.

Form 990, Part VII, Section A, Line 1a: Compensation of Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, Highest Compensated Employees, and Independent Contractors: No officer or director receives any compensation except as set forth above for Part VI, Line 15b above. The reportable compensation shown in column (D) represents wages, associated payroll taxes, and unaccounted for travel allowances paid to officers. Officers, Directors, and other Anne Arundel County Farm Bureau (AACFB) members are paid a daily stipend (Per Diem) for representing the AACFB as delegates to the state's Maryland Farm Bureau annual convention. The stipend is based on the number of days a delegate represents AACFB at the convention, and is meant to reimburse the delegate for his/her costs of attending the convention. The daily stipend (Per Diem) is less than the local daily Per Diem rate as published by GSA and is not meant to cover all expenses in attending the convention.

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Form 990, Part XII, Line 2a: Financial Statements and Reporting: Prior to 2016 a copy of the organization's cash receipts and disbursements for the year grouped by income and disbursement accounts was reviewed by the preparer of this Form 990, a certified public accountant and farm bureau member, and traced to the Farm Bureau's Statement of Income and Disbursements Report for the year then ended. For 2016 the Farm Bureau's Independent CPA had to compile the Farm Bureau's Income and Disbursements Report from various sources to develop and compile a Report to serve as the basis for the preparation of this Form 990. Adjustments and reclassifications were made to this Report and the ending revised data was used in the preparation of this Form 990. A copy of this revised Statement of Income and Disbursements has furnished to the Farm Bureau's Secretary-Treasurer upon completion of the Form 990. At no time during the preparation of Form 990 were any audit verifications made of the data and the revised Farm Bureau Statement was not intended to be a formal compilation or audit of the Farm Bureau's records.

**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)					
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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) Maryland Farm Bureau, Inc. 3358 Davidsonville Rd, Davidsonville, MD 21054	Farmer Representation and Aid	MD	Sec 501(C)(5)		N/A		X
(2) American Farm Bureau Federation 600 Maryland Avenue, SW, Suite 1000W, Washington, DC 20024	Farmer Representation and Aid	WASHINGTON DC	Sec 501(C)(5)		N/A		X
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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	
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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?	
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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**b** Gift, grant, or capital contribution to related organization(s)**c** Gift, grant, or capital contribution from related organization(s)**d** Loans or loan guarantees to or for related organization(s)**e** Loans or loan guarantees by related organization(s)**f** Dividends from related organization(s)**g** Sale of assets to related organization(s)**h** Purchase of assets from related organization(s)**i** Exchange of assets with related organization(s)**j** Lease of facilities, equipment, or other assets to related organization(s)**k** Lease of facilities, equipment, or other assets from related organization(s)**l** Performance of services or membership or fundraising solicitations for related organization(s)**m** Performance of services or membership or fundraising solicitations by related organization(s)**n** Sharing of facilities, equipment, mailing lists, or other assets with related organization(s)**o** Sharing of paid employees with related organization(s)**p** Reimbursement paid to related organization(s) for expenses**q** Reimbursement paid by related organization(s) for expenses**r** Other transfer of cash or property to related organization(s)**s** Other transfer of cash or property from related organization(s)**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)				
(2)				
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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.

Part V, Line 1 m, Performance of Fund Raising Solicitations by Related Organization - The Maryland Farm Bureau's (MFB) membership is composed of and represents the memberships of the local county Farm Bureaus located in the State of Maryland. In addition, membership in MBF results in membership in the American Farm Bureau Federation at the national level. To facilitate the collection of dues for the county, state and national farm bureaus the MFB bills and collects dues for all three organizations in one billing. The dues collected are distributed to each of the individual organizations together with a listing of members who have paid. Periodically, a listing of unpaid members is furnished to the local counties for their follow-up and disposition. For 2015 the Anne Arundel County Farm Bureau received \$77,312 in local membership dues the MFB billed and collected.

Part V, Line 1 n, Sharing of Facilities by Related Organizations - Due to its location in Anne Arundel County, the Maryland Farm Bureau (MFB) makes a meeting room available in its Davidsonville, Maryland, facility to the Anne Arundel County Farm Bureau (AAFB). This room is utilized during the year by the AAFB for 7 of its Board of Directors meetings and its one combined Board of Directors/Annual Membership meeting. The AAFB used to rent this same room from the previous owner, the Davidsonville Ruritan Foundation, Inc., for \$75 per meeting. The MFB does not charge the AAFB for the use of these MFB facilities. A member of the MFB's staff who is assigned to coordinate the sharing and co-ordination of information and actions between MFB and several county farm bureaus including AAFB is present to open and close the facility.

Part V, Line 1 p, Reimbursement of Related Organization Costs and Fees - In addition to the billing and collection of membership dues, the MFB provides a fruit and nut buying service for local farm bureaus. Anne Arundel County Farm Bureau (AAFB) solicits orders and takes payment for products ordered by AAFB members. The order is placed with the MFB Service Company who arranges for the purchase and drop shipment of the product at local farm bureaus' locations. After delivery, the MFB Service Company bills the local farm bureau for the product and its services. For 2015 AAFB acquired \$1,754 in fruit and nut products from the MFB Service Company for AAFB members.