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Form **990-PF**  
 Department of the Treasury  
 Internal Revenue Service

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

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**2016**  
**Open to Public Inspection**

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

Name of foundation CUSSLER MUSEUM		<b>A Employer identification number</b> 75-3142345	
Number and street (or P O box number if mail is not delivered to street address) 14959 W 69TH AVENUE		<b>B Telephone number (see instructions)</b> (303) 420-2795	
City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code ARVADA, CO 80007		<b>C</b> If exemption application is pending, check here <input type="checkbox"/>	
<b>G</b> Check all that apply: <input type="checkbox"/> Initial return <input type="checkbox"/> Initial return of a former public charity <input type="checkbox"/> Final return <input type="checkbox"/> Amended return <input type="checkbox"/> Address change <input type="checkbox"/> Name change		<b>D 1.</b> Foreign organizations, check here <input type="checkbox"/> <b>2.</b> Foreign organizations meeting the 85% test, check here and attach computation <input type="checkbox"/>	
<b>H</b> Check type of organization: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Section 501(c)(3) exempt private foundation <input type="checkbox"/> Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust <input type="checkbox"/> Other taxable private foundation		<b>E</b> If private foundation status was terminated under section 507(b)(1)(A), check here <input type="checkbox"/>	
<b>I</b> Fair market value of all assets at end of year (from Part II, col (c), line 16) ▶ \$ 6,690,042		<b>J</b> Accounting method: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Cash <input type="checkbox"/> Accrual <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify) _____ (Part I, column (d) must be on cash basis)	
		<b>F</b> If the foundation is in a 60-month termination under section 507(b)(1)(B), check here <input type="checkbox"/>	

<b>Part I Analysis of Revenue and Expenses</b> (The total of amounts in columns (b), (c), and (d) may not necessarily equal the amounts in column (a) (see instructions) )		(a) Revenue and expenses per books	(b) Net investment income	(c) Adjusted net income	(d) Disbursements for charitable purposes (cash basis only)
<b>Revenue</b>	<b>1</b> Contributions, gifts, grants, etc., received (attach schedule)	3,309,832			
	<b>2</b> Check <input type="checkbox"/> if the foundation is <b>not</b> required to attach Sch B				
	<b>3</b> Interest on savings and temporary cash investments				
	<b>4</b> Dividends and interest from securities				
	<b>5a</b> Gross rents	7,549	7,549	7,549	
	<b>b</b> Net rental income or (loss)	7,549			
	<b>6a</b> Net gain or (loss) from sale of assets not on line 10				
	<b>b</b> Gross sales price for all assets on line 6a				
	<b>7</b> Capital gain net income (from Part IV, line 2)				
	<b>8</b> Net short-term capital gain				
	<b>9</b> Income modifications				
	<b>10a</b> Gross sales less returns and allowances	18,604			
<b>b</b> Less Cost of goods sold	11,007				
<b>c</b> Gross profit or (loss) (attach schedule)	7,597		7,597		
<b>11</b> Other income (attach schedule)	36,421		36,421		
<b>12 Total.</b> Add lines 1 through 11	3,361,399	7,549	51,567		
<b>Operating and Administrative Expenses</b>	<b>13</b> Compensation of officers, directors, trustees, etc	50,000	1,500		48,500
	<b>14</b> Other employee salaries and wages	98,883	989		97,894
	<b>15</b> Pension plans, employee benefits	16,567	166		16,401
	<b>16a</b> Legal fees (attach schedule)	724			724
	<b>b</b> Accounting fees (attach schedule)	4,725			4,725
	<b>c</b> Other professional fees (attach schedule)				
	<b>17</b> Interest				
	<b>18</b> Taxes (attach schedule) (see instructions)	18,668	173		18,495
	<b>19</b> Depreciation (attach schedule) and depletion	2,599			
	<b>20</b> Occupancy	16,359	164		16,195
	<b>21</b> Travel, conferences, and meetings				
	<b>22</b> Printing and publications				
	<b>23</b> Other expenses (attach schedule)	50,846	3,586		47,260
	<b>24 Total operating and administrative expenses.</b> Add lines 13 through 23	259,371	6,578		250,194
	<b>25</b> Contributions, gifts, grants paid	0			0
<b>26 Total expenses and disbursements.</b> Add lines 24 and 25	259,371	6,578		250,194	
<b>27</b> Subtract line 26 from line 12					
<b>a Excess of revenue over expenses and disbursements</b>	3,102,028				
<b>b Net investment income</b> (if negative, enter -0-)		971			
<b>c Adjusted net income</b> (if negative, enter -0-)			51,567		

Part II Balance Sheets		Attached schedules and amounts in the description column should be for end-of-year amounts only (See instructions)			Beginning of year	End of year	
		(a) Book Value	(b) Book Value	(c) Fair Market Value			
Assets	1	Cash—non-interest-bearing . . . . .		204,443		176,517	176,517
	2	Savings and temporary cash investments . . . . .					
	3	Accounts receivable ▶ _____ Less allowance for doubtful accounts ▶ _____					
	4	Pledges receivable ▶ _____ Less allowance for doubtful accounts ▶ _____					
	5	Grants receivable . . . . .					
	6	Receivables due from officers, directors, trustees, and other disqualified persons (attach schedule) (see instructions) . . . . .					
	7	Other notes and loans receivable (attach schedule) ▶ _____ Less allowance for doubtful accounts ▶ _____					
	8	Inventories for sale or use . . . . .		14,355		26,009	26,009
	9	Prepaid expenses and deferred charges . . . . .					
	10a	Investments—U S and state government obligations (attach schedule)					
	b	Investments—corporate stock (attach schedule) . . . . .					
	c	Investments—corporate bonds (attach schedule) . . . . .					
	11	Investments—land, buildings, and equipment basis ▶ _____ Less accumulated depreciation (attach schedule) ▶ _____					
	12	Investments—mortgage loans . . . . .					
	13	Investments—other (attach schedule) . . . . .					
	14	Land, buildings, and equipment basis ▶ _____ 140,576 Less accumulated depreciation (attach schedule) ▶ 92,450		37,225		48,126	48,126
15	Other assets (describe ▶ _____)		3,312,372		6,439,390	6,439,390	
16	<b>Total assets</b> (to be completed by all filers—see the instructions Also, see page 1, item I)		3,568,395		6,690,042	6,690,042	
Liabilities	17	Accounts payable and accrued expenses . . . . .					
	18	Grants payable . . . . .					
	19	Deferred revenue . . . . .					
	20	Loans from officers, directors, trustees, and other disqualified persons					
	21	Mortgages and other notes payable (attach schedule) . . . . .					
	22	Other liabilities (describe ▶ _____)		965		20,584	
	23	<b>Total liabilities</b> (add lines 17 through 22) . . . . .		965		20,584	
Net Assets or Fund Balances	<b>Foundations that follow SFAS 117, check here</b> ▶ <input type="checkbox"/> <b>and complete lines 24 through 26 and lines 30 and 31.</b>						
	24	Unrestricted . . . . .					
	25	Temporarily restricted . . . . .					
	26	Permanently restricted . . . . .					
	<b>Foundations that do not follow SFAS 117, check here</b> ▶ <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>and complete lines 27 through 31.</b>						
	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		3,567,430		6,669,458		
30	<b>Total net assets or fund balances</b> (see instructions) . . . . .		3,567,430		6,669,458		
31	<b>Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances</b> (see instructions) .		3,568,395		6,690,042		

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 3,567,430
2	Enter amount from Part I, line 27a . . . . .	2 3,102,028
3	Other increases not included in line 2 (itemize) ▶ _____	3
4	Add lines 1, 2, and 3 . . . . .	4 6,669,458
5	Decreases not included in line 2 (itemize) ▶ _____	5
6	Total net assets or fund balances at end of year (line 4 minus line 5)—Part II, column (b), line 30 .	6 6,669,458

**Part IV Capital Gains and Losses for Tax on Investment Income**

<b>(a)</b> 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>(b)</b> How acquired P—Purchase D—Donation	<b>(c)</b> Date acquired (mo , day, yr )	<b>(d)</b> Date sold (mo , day, yr )
<b>1a</b>			

<b>(e)</b> Gross sales price	<b>(f)</b> Depreciation allowed (or allowable)	<b>(g)</b> Cost or other basis plus expense of sale	<b>(h)</b> Gain or (loss) (e) plus (f) minus (g)
<b>a</b>			
<b>b</b>			
<b>c</b>			
<b>d</b>			
<b>e</b>			

Complete only for assets showing gain in column (h) and owned by the foundation on 12/31/69			<b>(l)</b> Gains (Col (h) gain minus col (k), but not less than -0-) or Losses (from col (h))
<b>(i)</b> F M V as of 12/31/69	<b>(j)</b> Adjusted basis as of 12/31/69	<b>(k)</b> Excess of col (i) over col (j), if any	
<b>a</b>			
<b>b</b>			
<b>c</b>			
<b>d</b>			
<b>e</b>			

<b>2</b> Capital gain net income or (net capital loss)	2	
<b>3</b> Net short-term capital gain or (loss) as defined in sections 1222(5) and (6) If gain, also enter in Part I, line 8, column (c) (see instructions) If (loss), enter -0- in Part I, line 8	3	

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

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

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

Was the foundation liable for the section 4942 tax on the distributable amount of any year in the base period?  Yes  No  
 If "Yes," the foundation does not qualify under section 4940(e) Do not complete this part

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

<b>(a)</b> Base period years Calendar year (or tax year beginning in)	<b>(b)</b> Adjusted qualifying distributions	<b>(c)</b> Net value of noncharitable-use assets	<b>(d)</b> Distribution ratio (col (b) divided by col (c))
2015	243,918		
2014	246,610		
2013	264,706		
2012	270,799		
2011	222,558		

<b>2</b> Total of line 1, column (d)	2	
<b>3</b> 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	
<b>4</b> Enter the net value of noncharitable-use assets for 2016 from Part X, line 5	4	0
<b>5</b> Multiply line 4 by line 3	5	
<b>6</b> Enter 1% of net investment income (1% of Part I, line 27b)	6	10
<b>7</b> Add lines 5 and 6	7	10
<b>8</b> Enter qualifying distributions from Part XII, line 4	8	250,194

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)

Table with 11 rows for excise tax calculation. Includes questions about exempt foundations, tax under section 511, and tax due/overpayment. Includes sub-tables 6a-6d for credits.

Part VII-A Statements Regarding Activities

Table with 10 rows for activity statements. Includes questions about political campaigns, political expenditures, and state reporting requirements. Includes Yes/No columns.

Part VII-A Statements Regarding Activities (continued)

11 At any time during the year, did the foundation, directly or indirectly, own a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? If "Yes," attach schedule (see instructions).
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)
13 Did the foundation comply with the public inspection requirements for its annual returns and exemption application? Website address WWW CUSSLERMUSEUM COM
14 The books are in care of THE CUSSLER MUSEUM Telephone no (303) 420-2795
Located at 14959 W 69TH AVENUE ARVADA CO ZIP+4 80007
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
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 instructions for exceptions and filing requirements for FinCEN Form 114, Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts (FBAR) If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country

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

File Form 4720 if any item is checked in the "Yes" column, unless an exception applies.
1a During the year did the foundation (either directly or indirectly)
(1) Engage in the sale or exchange, or leasing of property with a disqualified person?
(2) Borrow money from, lend money to, or otherwise extend credit to (or accept it from) a disqualified person?
(3) Furnish goods, services, or facilities to (or accept them from) a disqualified person?
(4) Pay compensation to, or pay or reimburse the expenses of, a disqualified person?
(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)?
(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).
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.
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?
2 Taxes on failure to distribute income (section 4942) (does not apply for years the foundation was a private operating foundation defined in section 4942(j)(3) or 4942(j)(5))
a At the end of tax year 2016, did the foundation have any undistributed income (lines 6d and 6e, Part XIII) for tax year(s) beginning before 2016? If "Yes," list the years 20, 20, 20, 20
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).
c If the provisions of section 4942(a)(2) are being applied to any of the years listed in 2a, list the years here 20, 20, 20, 20
3a Did the foundation hold more than a 2% direct or indirect interest in any business enterprise at any time during the year?
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).
4a Did the foundation invest during the year any amount in a manner that would jeopardize its charitable purposes?
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?

**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)?  Yes  No

Organizations relying on a current notice regarding disaster assistance check here.  Yes  No

**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?  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?  Yes  No

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?  Yes  No

**Part VIII Information About Officers, Directors, Trustees, Foundation Managers, Highly Paid Employees, and Contractors**

**1 List all officers, directors, trustees, foundation managers and their compensation (see instructions).**

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

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

(a) Name and address of each employee paid more than \$50,000	Title, and average hours per week (b) devoted to position	(c) Compensation	(d) Contributions to employee benefit plans and deferred compensation	Expense account, (e) other allowances
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**Total** number of other employees paid over \$50,000.  Yes  No

**Part VIII Information About Officers, Directors, Trustees, Foundation Managers, Highly Paid Employees, and Contractors (continued)**

**3 Five highest-paid independent contractors for professional services (see instructions). If none, enter "NONE".**

(a) Name and address of each person paid more than \$50,000	(b) Type of service	(c) Compensation
NONE		
<b>Total</b> number of others receiving over \$50,000 for professional services. . . . . ▶		

**Part IX-A Summary of Direct Charitable Activities**

List the foundation's four largest direct charitable activities during the tax year. Include relevant statistical information such as the number of organizations and other beneficiaries served, conferences convened, research papers produced, etc

	Expenses
<b>1</b> THE MUSEUM IS OPERATED AND AVAILABLE TO THE GENERAL PUBLIC TO FOSTER A BETTER UNDERSTANDING OF THE HISTORY AND DEVELOPMENT OF ITS VINTAGE AUTOMOBILES AND PEOPLE ASSOCIATED WITH THEM	250,194
<b>2</b>	
<b>3</b>	
<b>4</b>	

**Part IX-B Summary of Program-Related Investments (see instructions)**

Describe the two largest program-related investments made by the foundation during the tax year on lines 1 and 2

	Amount
<b>1</b> N/A	
<b>2</b>	
All other program-related investments. See instructions	
<b>3</b>	
<b>Total.</b> Add lines 1 through 3 . . . . . ▶	

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

<b>1</b>	Fair market value of assets not used (or held for use) directly in carrying out charitable, etc., purposes		
<b>a</b>	Average monthly fair market value of securities.	<b>1a</b>	0
<b>b</b>	Average of monthly cash balances.	<b>1b</b>	117,098
<b>c</b>	Fair market value of all other assets (see instructions).	<b>1c</b>	0
<b>d</b>	<b>Total</b> (add lines 1a, b, and c).	<b>1d</b>	117,098
<b>e</b>	Reduction claimed for blockage or other factors reported on lines 1a and 1c (attach detailed explanation).	<b>1e</b>	
<b>2</b>	Acquisition indebtedness applicable to line 1 assets.	<b>2</b>	
<b>3</b>	Subtract line 2 from line 1d.	<b>3</b>	117,098
<b>4</b>	Cash deemed held for charitable activities. Enter 1 1/2% of line 3 (for greater amount, see instructions).	<b>4</b>	117,098
<b>5</b>	<b>Net value of noncharitable-use assets.</b> Subtract line 4 from line 3. Enter here and on Part V, line 4.	<b>5</b>	0
<b>6</b>	<b>Minimum investment return.</b> Enter 5% of line 5.	<b>6</b>	0

**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.)

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

**Part XII Qualifying Distributions** (see instructions)

<b>1</b>	Amounts paid (including administrative expenses) to accomplish charitable, etc., purposes		
<b>a</b>	Expenses, contributions, gifts, etc.—total from Part I, column (d), line 26.	<b>1a</b>	250,194
<b>b</b>	Program-related investments—total from Part IX-B.	<b>1b</b>	
<b>2</b>	Amounts paid to acquire assets used (or held for use) directly in carrying out charitable, etc., purposes.	<b>2</b>	
<b>3</b>	Amounts set aside for specific charitable projects that satisfy the		
<b>a</b>	Suitability test (prior IRS approval required).	<b>3a</b>	
<b>b</b>	Cash distribution test (attach the required schedule).	<b>3b</b>	
<b>4</b>	<b>Qualifying distributions.</b> Add lines 1a through 3b. Enter here and on Part V, line 8, and Part XIII, line 4.	<b>4</b>	250,194
<b>5</b>	Foundations that qualify under section 4940(e) for the reduced rate of tax on net investment income. Enter 1% of Part I, line 27b (see instructions).	<b>5</b>	10
<b>6</b>	<b>Adjusted qualifying distributions.</b> Subtract line 5 from line 4.	<b>6</b>	250,184

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

**Part XIII Undistributed Income** (see instructions)

	(a) Corpus	(b) Years prior to 2015	(c) 2015	(d) 2016
<b>1</b> Distributable amount for 2016 from Part XI, line 7				
<b>2</b> Undistributed income, if any, as of the end of 2016				
<b>a</b> Enter amount for 2015 only. . . . .				
<b>b</b> Total for prior years 20___, 20___, 20___				
<b>3</b> Excess distributions carryover, if any, to 2016				
<b>a</b> From 2011. . . . .				
<b>b</b> From 2012. . . . .				
<b>c</b> From 2013. . . . .				
<b>d</b> From 2014. . . . .				
<b>e</b> From 2015. . . . .				
<b>f</b> Total of lines 3a through e. . . . .				
<b>4</b> Qualifying distributions for 2016 from Part XII, line 4 ▶ \$ <u>250,194</u>				
<b>a</b> Applied to 2015, but not more than line 2a				
<b>b</b> Applied to undistributed income of prior years (Election required—see instructions). . . . .				
<b>c</b> Treated as distributions out of corpus (Election required—see instructions). . . . .				
<b>d</b> Applied to 2016 distributable amount. . . . .				
<b>e</b> Remaining amount distributed out of corpus	250,194			
<b>5</b> Excess distributions carryover applied to 2016 <i>(If an amount appears in column (d), the same amount must be shown in column (a) )</i>				
<b>6 Enter the net total of each column as indicated below:</b>				
<b>a</b> Corpus Add lines 3f, 4c, and 4e Subtract line 5	250,194			
<b>b</b> Prior years' undistributed income Subtract line 4b from line 2b . . . . .				
<b>c</b> 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. . . . .				
<b>d</b> Subtract line 6c from line 6b Taxable amount—see instructions . . . . .				
<b>e</b> Undistributed income for 2015 Subtract line 4a from line 2a Taxable amount—see instructions . . . . .				
<b>f</b> Undistributed income for 2016 Subtract lines 4d and 5 from line 1 This amount must be distributed in 2017 . . . . .				
<b>7</b> 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). . . . .				
<b>8</b> Excess distributions carryover from 2011 not applied on line 5 or line 7 (see instructions). . . . .				
<b>9 Excess distributions carryover to 2017.</b> Subtract lines 7 and 8 from line 6a . . . . .				
<b>10</b> Analysis of line 9				
<b>a</b> Excess from 2012. . . . .				
<b>b</b> Excess from 2013. . . . .				
<b>c</b> Excess from 2014. . . . .				
<b>d</b> Excess from 2015. . . . .				
<b>e</b> Excess from 2016. . . . .				

**Part XIV Private Operating Foundations** (see instructions and Part VII-A, question 9)

**1a** If the foundation has received a ruling or determination letter that it is a private operating foundation, and the ruling is effective for 2016, enter the date of the ruling. . . . . ▶

**b** Check box to indicate whether the organization is a private operating foundation described in section  4942(j)(3) or  4942(j)(5)

**2a** Enter the lesser of the adjusted net income from Part I or the minimum investment return from Part X for each year listed . . . . .

	Tax year				(e) Total
	(a) 2016	(b) 2015	(c) 2014	(d) 2013	
0					0
<b>b</b> 85% of line 2a . . . . .					
<b>c</b> Qualifying distributions from Part XII, line 4 for each year listed . . . . .	250,194	243,952	246,628	264,736	1,005,510
<b>d</b> Amounts included in line 2c not used directly for active conduct of exempt activities . . . . .					
<b>e</b> Qualifying distributions made directly for active conduct of exempt activities. Subtract line 2d from line 2c . . . . .	250,194	243,952	246,628	264,736	1,005,510

**3** Complete 3a, b, or c for the alternative test relied upon

**a** "Assets" alternative test—enter

(1) Value of all assets . . . . . 6,690,042 3,568,395 3,492,338 3,509,726 17,260,501

(2) Value of assets qualifying under section 4942(j)(3)(B)(i) . . . . . 6,690,042 3,568,395 3,492,338 3,509,726 17,260,501

**b** "Endowment" alternative test— enter 2/3 of minimum investment return shown in Part X, line 6 for each year listed. . . . .

**c** "Support" alternative test—enter

(1) Total support other than gross investment income (interest, dividends, rents, payments on securities loans (section 512(a)(5)), or royalties) . . . . .

(2) Support from general public and 5 or more exempt organizations as provided in section 4942(j)(3)(B)(iii). . . . .

(3) Largest amount of support from an exempt organization

(4) Gross investment income

**Part XV Supplementary Information (Complete this part only if the organization had \$5,000 or more in assets at any time during the year—see instructions.)**

**1 Information Regarding Foundation Managers:**

**a** List any managers of the foundation who have contributed more than 2% of the total contributions received by the foundation before the close of any tax year (but only if they have contributed more than \$5,000) (See section 507(d)(2) )

**b** List any managers of the foundation who own 10% or more of the stock of a corporation (or an equally large portion of the ownership of a partnership or other entity) of which the foundation has a 10% or greater interest

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**2 Information Regarding Contribution, Grant, Gift, Loan, Scholarship, etc., Programs:**

Check here  if the foundation only makes contributions to preselected charitable organizations and does not accept unsolicited requests for funds. If the foundation makes gifts, grants, etc (see instructions) to individuals or organizations under other conditions, complete items 2a, b, c, and d

**a** The name, address, and telephone number or email address of the person to whom applications should be addressed

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

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**c** Any submission deadlines

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

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

Recipient	If recipient is an individual, show any relationship to any foundation manager or substantial contributor	Foundation status of recipient	Purpose of grant or contribution	Amount
Name and address (home or business)				
<b>a</b> <i>Paid during the year</i>				
<b>Total . . . . .</b> ▶ <b>3a</b>				
<b>b</b> <i>Approved for future payment</i>				
<b>Total . . . . .</b> ▶ <b>3b</b>				





**Form 990PF Part VIII Line 1 - List all officers, directors, trustees, foundation managers and their compensation**

<b>(a) Name and address</b>	<b>Title, and average hours per week (b) devoted to position</b>	<b>(c) Compensation (If not paid, enter -0-)</b>	<b>(d) Contributions to employee benefit plans and deferred compensation</b>	<b>Expense account, (e) other allowances</b>
TERI TOFT 14959 WEST 69TH AVENUE ARVADA, CO 80007	PRESIDENT 40 00	50,000	0	0
DIRK CUSSLER 14959 WEST 69TH AVENUE ARVADA, CO 80007	TREASURER 000 00	0	0	0
DAYNA CUSSLER 14959 WEST 69TH AVENUE ARVADA, CO 80007	SECRETARY 000 00	0	0	0
JASON TOFT 14959 WEST 69TH AVENUE ARVADA, CO 80007	DIRECTOR 000 00	0	0	0
AMIE KNUTSON 14959 WEST 69TH AVENUE ARVADA, CO 80007	DIRECTOR 000 00	0	0	0
CLIVE CUSSLER C/O KREISMAN GROUP 4401 S QUEBEC ST DENVER, CO 80237	DIRECTOR 000 00	0	0	0

**TY 2016 Accounting Fees Schedule****Name:** CUSSLER MUSEUM**EIN:** 75-3142345

<b>Category</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Net Investment Income</b>	<b>Adjusted Net Income</b>	<b>Disbursements for Charitable Purposes</b>
INDIRECT ACCOUNTING FEES	4,725			4,725

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## TY 2016 Depreciation Schedule

**Name:** CUSSLER MUSEUM

**EIN:** 75-3142345

Description of Property	Date Acquired	Cost or Other Basis	Prior Years' Depreciation	Computation Method	Rate / Life (# of years)	Current Year's Depreciation Expense	Net Investment Income	Adjusted Net Income	Cost of Goods Sold Not Included
OFFICE DESK	2005-07-01	658	658	200DB	7 0000				
OFFICE CHAIR	2005-07-01	99	99	200DB	7 0000				
DISPLAY POSTS AND ROPES	2005-07-01	8,547	8,547	200DB	7 0000				
RUGS AND RUNNERS	2005-07-01	392	392	200DB	7 0000				
GATE	2005-07-01	270	270	200DB	7 0000				
SIGNS	2005-07-01	52	52	200DB	7 0000				
REFRIGERATOR	2005-07-01	471	471	200DB	7 0000				
OUTSIDE SIGNS	2005-07-01	675	675	200DB	7 0000				
SIGN HOLDERS	2005-07-01	299	299	200DB	7 0000				
SIGN HOLDERS	2005-07-01	335	335	200DB	7 0000				
WEBSITE	2005-07-01	167	167	200DB	3 0000				
REMODELING COSTS	2005-12-01	33,738	9,119	S/L	39 0000	865			
NEON SIGNS	2006-07-01	48,576	48,576	200DB	7 0000				
ROPES AND STANTIONS	2006-07-01	5,075	5,075	200DB	7 0000				
ROPES	2006-07-01	317	317	200DB	7 0000				
STOOLS	2006-07-01	440	440	200DB	7 0000				
BENCH	2006-07-01	140	140	200DB	7 0000				
REMODELING COSTS	2006-03-01	10,336	2,595	S/L	39 0000	265			
OFFICE FURNITURE	2007-07-01	1,448	1,448	200DB	7 0000				
REMODELING COSTS	2007-01-01	4,863	1,117	S/L	39 0000	125			

Description of Property	Date Acquired	Cost or Other Basis	Prior Years' Depreciation	Computation Method	Rate / Life (# of years)	Current Year's Depreciation Expense	Net Investment Income	Adjusted Net Income	Cost of Goods Sold Not Included
GAS PUMP	2008-07-01	3,000	3,000	200DB	7 0000				
FILE CABINET	2010-07-01	590	511	200DB	7 0000	53			
CHAIRS/TABLES	2010-07-01	1,920	1,663	200DB	7 0000	171			
FURNITURE	2011-03-30	319	319	200DB	7 0000				
OFFICE FURNITURE	2011-09-30	261	261	200DB	7 0000				
OFFICE SHELVES	2011-11-30	354	354	200DB	7 0000				
SECURITY CAMERAS	2011-06-30	2,106	2,106	200DB	7 0000				
COMPUTER	2012-05-22	699	638	200DB	5 0000	41			
PRESSURE WASHER	2012-08-20	182	154	200DB	7 0000	8			
SWAMP COOLER	2015-08-13	747	53	S/L	7 0000	107			
CAR CADDY (MOVER)	2016-04-07	13,500		S/L	7 0000	964			

**TY 2016 Land, Etc.  
Schedule****Name:** CUSSLER MUSEUM**EIN:** 75-3142345

<b>Category / Item</b>	<b>Cost / Other Basis</b>	<b>Accumulated Depreciation</b>	<b>Book Value</b>	<b>End of Year Fair Market Value</b>
BUILDINGS AND EQUIPMENT	140,576	92,450	48,126	48,126

**TY 2016 Legal Fees Schedule****Name:** CUSSLER MUSEUM**EIN:** 75-3142345

<b>Category</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Net Investment Income</b>	<b>Adjusted Net Income</b>	<b>Disbursements for Charitable Purposes</b>
INDIRECT LEGAL FEES	724			724

**TY 2016 Other Assets Schedule****Name:** CUSSLER MUSEUM**EIN:** 75-3142345**Other Assets Schedule**

Description	Beginning of Year - Book Value	End of Year - Book Value	End of Year - Fair Market Value
CLASSIC AUTOMOBILES	3,306,349	3,323,503	3,323,503
ARTWORK	5,875	5,875	5,875
RECEIVABLE	148	330	330
ANTIQUÉ FIREARMS		3,109,682	3,109,682

**TY 2016 Other Expenses Schedule****Name:** CUSSLER MUSEUM**EIN:** 75-3142345**Other Expenses Schedule**

Description	Revenue and Expenses per Books	Net Investment Income	Adjusted Net Income	Disbursements for Charitable Purposes
EXPENSES				
REPAIRS AND MAINTENANCE	2,142			2,142
PROPERTY INSURANCE	33,072	1,775		31,297
ADVERTISING	1,450	145		1,305
WEBSITE	909	91		818
BANK AND CREDIT CARD FEES	1,471			1,471
DUES AND SUBSCRIPTIONS	595			595
WORKERS COMP INSURANCE	2,037	204		1,833
POSTAGE AND SHIPPING	687			687
MARKETING	2,990			2,990

**Other Expenses Schedule**

<b>Description</b>	<b>Revenue and Expenses per Books</b>	<b>Net Investment Income</b>	<b>Adjusted Net Income</b>	<b>Disbursements for Charitable Purposes</b>
SUPPLIES	2,421	242		2,179
COMMISSIONS	171			171
EQUIPMENT-DEMIMIMUS	526			526
TABLECLOTH MAINTENANCE	990	990		
OFFICE EXPENSE	1,385	139		1,246

**TY 2016 Other Income Schedule****Name:** CUSSLER MUSEUM**EIN:** 75-3142345**Other Income Schedule**

Description	Revenue And Expenses Per Books	Net Investment Income	Adjusted Net Income
CAR BOOK ROYALTIES	1,141		1,141
MUSEUM ADMISSION INCOME	35,280		35,280

**TY 2016 Other Liabilities Schedule****Name:** CUSSLER MUSEUM**EIN:** 75-3142345

<b>Description</b>	<b>Beginning of Year - Book Value</b>	<b>End of Year - Book Value</b>
PAYROLL TAX LIABILITY	711	2,611
CREDIT CARD LIABILITY	254	347
SALES TAX LIABILITY		406
EVENT RENTAL DEPOSITS		1,350
INSURANCE PROCEEDS TO USE		15,870

**TY 2016 Sales Of Inventory Schedule****Name:** CUSSLER MUSEUM**EIN:** 75-3142345

<b>Category</b>	<b>Gross Sales</b>	<b>Cost of Goods Sold</b>	<b>Net (Gross Sales Minus Cost of Goods Sold)</b>
MERCHANDISE SALES	18,604	11,007	7,597

**TY 2016 Substantial Contributors  
Schedule****Name:** CUSSLER MUSEUM**EIN:** 75-3142345

<b>Name</b>	<b>Address</b>
DIRK CUSSLER	14959 WEST 69TH AVENUE ARVADA, CO 80007
DAYNA CUSSLER	14959 WEST 69TH AVENUE ARVADA, CO 80007
TERI TOFT	14959 WEST 69TH AVENUE ARVADA, CO 80007
GIORDINO LLLP	14959 WEST 69TH AVENUE ARVADA, CO 80007

**TY 2016 Taxes Schedule****Name:** CUSSLER MUSEUM**EIN:** 75-3142345

<b>Category</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Net Investment Income</b>	<b>Adjusted Net Income</b>	<b>Disbursements for Charitable Purposes</b>
ADMISSIONS TAXES	1,338			1,338
PROPERTY TAXES	17,296	173		17,123
FEDERAL TAXES	34			34

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

**Schedule of Contributors**  
▶ Attach to Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF  
▶ Information about Schedule B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF) and its instructions is at  
[www.irs.gov/form990](http://www.irs.gov/form990)

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**2016**

**Name of the organization**  
CUSSLER MUSEUM

**Employer identification number**  
75-3142345

**Organization type** (check one)

**Filers of:**

**Section:**

Form 990 or 990-EZ

501(c)( ) (enter number) organization

4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust **not** treated as a private foundation

527 political organization

Form 990-PF

501(c)(3) exempt private foundation

4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust treated as a private foundation

501(c)(3) taxable private foundation

Check if your organization is covered by the **General Rule** or a **Special Rule**.  
**Note.** Only a section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) organization can check boxes for both the General Rule and a Special Rule See instructions

**General Rule**

For an organization filing Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF that received, during the year, contributions totaling \$5,000 or more (in money or other property) from any one contributor Complete Parts I and II See instructions for determining a contributor's total contributions

**Special Rules**

For an organization described in section 501(c)(3) filing Form 990 or 990-EZ that met the 33<sup>1</sup> 3% support test of the regulations under sections 509(a)(1) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi), that checked Schedule A (Form 990 or 990-EZ), Part II, line 13, 16a, or 16b, and that received from any one contributor, during the year, total contributions of the greater of (1) \$5,000 or (2) 2% of the amount on (i) Form 990, Part VIII, line 1h, or (ii) Form 990-EZ, line 1 Complete Parts I and II

For an organization described in section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) filing Form 990 or 990-EZ that received from any one contributor, during the year, total contributions of more than \$1,000 *exclusively* for religious, charitable, scientific, literary, or educational purposes, or for the prevention of cruelty to children or animals Complete Parts I, II, and III

For an organization described in section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) filing Form 990 or 990-EZ that received from any one contributor, during the year, contributions *exclusively* for religious, charitable, etc , purposes, but no such contributions totaled more than \$1,000 If this box is checked, enter here the total contributions that were received during the year for an *exclusively* religious, charitable, etc , purpose Do not complete any of the parts unless the **General Rule** applies to this organization because it received *nonexclusively* religious, charitable, etc , contributions totaling \$5,000 or more during the year . . . . . ▶ \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Caution.** An organization that is not covered by the General Rule and/or the Special Rules does not file Schedule B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF), but it **must** answer "No" on Part IV, line 2, of its Form 990, or check the box on line H of its Form 990-EZ or on its Form 990PF, Part I, line 2, to certify that it does not meet the filing requirements of Schedule B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF)

**Name of organization**  
CUSSLER MUSEUM

**Employer identification number**  
75-3142345

**Part I** **Contributors** (see instructions) Use duplicate copies of Part I if additional space is needed

(a) No.	(b) Name, address, and ZIP + 4	(c) Total contributions	(d) Type of contribution
1	DIRK CUSSLER 14959 WEST 69TH AVENUE ARVADA, CO 80007	\$ 60,050	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions )
2	DAYNA CUSSLER 14959 WEST 69TH AVENUE ARVADA, CO 80007	\$ 80,050	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions )
3	TERI TOFT 14959 WEST 69TH AVENUE ARVADA, CO 80007	\$ 60,050	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions )
4	GIORDINO LLLP 14959 WEST 69TH AVENUE ARVADA, CO 80007	\$ 3,109,682	Person <input type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions )
-		\$	Person <input type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions )
-		\$	Person <input type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions )

<b>Name of organization</b> CUSSLER MUSEUM	<b>Employer identification number</b> 75-3142345
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<b>Part II</b> <b>Noncash Property</b>
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(a) No. from Part I	(b) Description of noncash property given	(c) FMV (or estimate) (see instructions)	(d) Date received
4	ANTIQUE FIREARM COLLECTION	\$ 3,109,682	2016-05-13
		\$	
		\$	
		\$	
		\$	
		\$	

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**Part III** Exclusively religious, charitable, etc., contributions to organizations described in section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) that total more than \$1,000 for the year from any one contributor. Complete columns (a) through (e) and the following line entry. For organizations completing Part III, enter the total of exclusively religious, charitable, etc., contributions of \$1,000 or less for the year. (Enter this information once. See instructions.) ▶ \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Use duplicate copies of Part III if additional space is needed

(a) No. from Part I	(b) Purpose of gift	(c) Use of gift	(d) Description of how gift is held
	_____	_____	_____
	_____	_____	_____

(e) Transfer of gift Transferee's name, address, and ZIP 4	Relationship of transferor to transferee
_____	_____
_____	_____

(a) No. from Part I	(b) Purpose of gift	(c) Use of gift	(d) Description of how gift is held
	_____	_____	_____
	_____	_____	_____

(e) Transfer of gift Transferee's name, address, and ZIP 4	Relationship of transferor to transferee
_____	_____
_____	_____

(a) No. from Part I	(b) Purpose of gift	(c) Use of gift	(d) Description of how gift is held
	_____	_____	_____
	_____	_____	_____

(e) Transfer of gift Transferee's name, address, and ZIP 4	Relationship of transferor to transferee
_____	_____
_____	_____

(a) No. from Part I	(b) Purpose of gift	(c) Use of gift	(d) Description of how gift is held
	_____	_____	_____
	_____	_____	_____

(e) Transfer of gift Transferee's name, address, and ZIP 4	Relationship of transferor to transferee
_____	_____
_____	_____