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Form 990

Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

OMB No 1545-0047

2016

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

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Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

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

B Check if applicable

☐ Address change

☐ Name change

☐ Initial return

☐ Final

☐ Return/terminated

☐ Amended return

☐ Application pending

C Name of organization

STATE FAIR OF TEXAS

% JAIME NAVARRO

Doing business as

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

Room/suite

PO BOX 150009

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

DALLAS, TX 75315

F Name and address of principal officer

MITCHELL GLIEBER

PO BOX 150009

dallas, TX 75315

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

☐ Yes ☒ No

H(b) Are all subordinates included?

☐ Yes ☐ No

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

H(c) Group exemption number ▶

I Tax-exempt status

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

J Website: ▶ www.bigtex.com

K Form of organization

☒ Corporation ☐ Trust ☐ Association ☐ Other ▶

L Year of formation 1886

M State of legal domicile TX

Part I Summary

Activities & Governance

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

TO CONDUCT AN ANNUAL STATE FAIR, CELEBRATE TEXAS BY PROMOTING AGRICULTURE, EDUCATION, AND COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

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

55

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

4

53

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

5

1,570

6 Total number of volunteers (estimate if necessary)

6

250

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

7a

0

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

7b

Revenue

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

3,207,887

2,096,690

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

53,612,317

56,386,155

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

384,485

292,207

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

95,194

107,510

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

57,299,883

58,882,562

Expenses

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

808,000

1,050,688

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

0

0

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

9,951,243

10,564,160

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)

40,006,478

43,219,771

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

50,765,721

54,834,619

19 Revenue less expenses Subtract line 18 from line 12

6,534,162

4,047,943

Net Assets or Fund Balances

20 Total assets (Part X, line 16)

70,403,152

78,487,793

21 Total liabilities (Part X, line 26)

17,800,808

21,197,083

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

52,602,344

57,290,710

Part II Signature Block

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

Sign Here

Signature of officer

2017-11-14

Date

JAIME NAVARRO CFO

Type or print name and title

Paid Preparer Use Only

Print/Type preparer's name

BRUCE E BERNSTIEN

Preparer's signature

BRUCE E BERNSTIEN

Date

Check ☐ if self-employed

PTIN

P01424343

Firm's name ▶ BRUCE E BERNSTIEN & ASSOCIATES

Firm's EIN ▶

Firm's address ▶ 10440 N CENTRAL EXPRESSWAY STE 1040

Phone no (214) 706-0840

DALLAS, TX 75231

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:

THE STATE FAIR OF TEXAS CELEBRATES ALL THINGS TEXAN BY PROMOTING AGRICULTURE, EDUCATION, AND COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT THROUGH QUALITY ENTERTAINMENT IN A FAMILY-FRIENDLY ENVIRONMENT

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 \$ 41,437,352	including grants of \$ 1,050,688)	(Revenue \$ 56,386,155)
See Additional Data				

4b	(Code)	(Expenses \$	including grants of \$	(Revenue \$)
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4c	(Code)	(Expenses \$	including grants of \$	(Revenue \$)
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4d	Other program services (Describe in Schedule O)	(Expenses \$	including grants of \$	(Revenue \$)
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4e	Total program service expenses ▶	41,437,352		
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Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules

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

Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules (continued)

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

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

		Yes	No
1a	Enter the number reported in Box 3 of Form 1096 Enter -0- if not applicable	1a	730
b	Enter the number of Forms W-2G included in line 1a Enter -0- if not applicable	1b	0
c	Did the organization comply with backup withholding rules for reportable payments to vendors and reportable gaming (gambling) winnings to prize winners?	1c	Yes
2a	Enter the number of employees reported on Form W-3, Transmittal of Wage and Tax Statements, filed for the calendar year ending with or within the year covered by this return	2a	1,570
b	If at least one is reported on line 2a, did the organization file all required federal employment tax returns? Note. If the sum of lines 1a and 2a is greater than 250, you may be required to e-file (see instructions)	2b	Yes
3a	Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year?	3a	No
b	If "Yes," has it filed a Form 990-T for this year? If "No" to line 3b, provide an explanation in Schedule O	3b	
4a	At any time during the calendar year, did the organization have an interest in, or a signature or other authority over, a financial account in a foreign country (such as a bank account, securities account, or other financial account)?	4a	No
b	If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country ► _____ See instructions for filing requirements for FinCEN Form 114, Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts (FBAR)		
5a	Was the organization a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction at any time during the tax year?	5a	No
b	Did any taxable party notify the organization that it was or is a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction?	5b	No
c	If "Yes," to line 5a or 5b, did the organization file Form 8886-T?	5c	
6a	Does the organization have annual gross receipts that are normally greater than \$100,000, and did the organization solicit any contributions that were not tax deductible as charitable contributions?	6a	No
b	If "Yes," did the organization include with every solicitation an express statement that such contributions or gifts were not tax deductible?	6b	
7	Organizations that may receive deductible contributions under section 170(c).		
a	Did the organization receive a payment in excess of \$75 made partly as a contribution and partly for goods and services provided to the payor?	7a	Yes
b	If "Yes," did the organization notify the donor of the value of the goods or services provided?	7b	Yes
c	Did the organization sell, exchange, or otherwise dispose of tangible personal property for which it was required to file Form 8282?	7c	No
d	If "Yes," indicate the number of Forms 8282 filed during the year	7d	
e	Did the organization receive any funds, directly or indirectly, to pay premiums on a personal benefit contract?	7e	No
f	Did the organization, during the year, pay premiums, directly or indirectly, on a personal benefit contract?	7f	No
g	If the organization received a contribution of qualified intellectual property, did the organization file Form 8899 as required?	7g	
h	If the organization received a contribution of cars, boats, airplanes, or other vehicles, did the organization file a Form 1098-C?	7h	
8	Sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds. Did a donor advised fund maintained by the sponsoring organization have excess business holdings at any time during the year?	8	
9a	Did the sponsoring organization make any taxable distributions under section 4966?	9a	
b	Did the sponsoring organization make a distribution to a donor, donor advisor, or related person?	9b	
10	Section 501(c)(7) organizations. Enter		
a	Initiation fees and capital contributions included on Part VIII, line 12	10a	
b	Gross receipts, included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, for public use of club facilities	10b	
11	Section 501(c)(12) organizations. Enter		
a	Gross income from members or shareholders	11a	
b	Gross income from other sources (Do not net amounts due or paid to other sources against amounts due or received from them)	11b	
12a	Section 4947(a)(1) non-exempt charitable trusts. Is the organization filing Form 990 in lieu of Form 1041?	12a	
b	If "Yes," enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the year	12b	
13	Section 501(c)(29) qualified nonprofit health insurance issuers.		
a	Is the organization licensed to issue qualified health plans in more than one state? Note. See the instructions for additional information the organization must report on Schedule O	13a	
b	Enter the amount of reserves the organization is required to maintain by the states in which the organization is licensed to issue qualified health plans	13b	
c	Enter the amount of reserves on hand	13c	
14a	Did the organization receive any payments for indoor tanning services during the tax year?	14a	No
b	If "Yes," has it filed a Form 720 to report these payments? If "No," provide an explanation in Schedule O	14b	

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

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

Section A. Governing Body and Management

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

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

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

Section C. Disclosure

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

18 Section 6104 requires an organization to make its Form 1023 (or 1024 if applicable), 990, and 990-T (501(c)(3)s only) available for public inspection. Indicate how you made these available. Check all that apply.

☒ Own website ☐ Another's website ☒ Upon request ☐ Other (explain in Schedule O)

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

20 State the name, address, and telephone number of the person who possesses the organization's books and records.
 ▶ JAIME NAVARRO 3921 MARTIN LUTHER KING JR BLVD Dallas, TX 75210 (214) 421-8701

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

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, or 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

[illegible]

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			
See Additional Data Table										
1b Sub-Total										
c Total from continuation sheets to Part VII, Section A										
d Total (add lines 1b and 1c)								3,215,264	0	666,474

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 ► 18

	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>	3 Yes	
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>	4 Yes	
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>	5	No

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
ACT EVENT SERVICES INC, PO Box 463 ADDISON, TX 75001	JANITORIAL/ecologic	1,556,277
WELDON WILLIAMS LICK INC, 711 N A ST FORT SMITH, AR 72901	TICKET PRINTING	944,453
GLENN SMITH PRESENTS INC, PO BOX 7814 HORSESHOE BAY, TX 78657	NAMED ENTERTAINMENT	971,500
JA GREEN ASSOCIATES INC, 365 Barnes Bridge SUNNYVALE, TX 75182	CONSTRUCTION	822,853
PLATINUM EVENT SERVICES INC, 400 NORTH ST PAUL STREET 330 DALLAS, TX 75201	SECURITY SERVICES	728,370

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 ► 75

Part VIII

Statement of Revenue

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

			(A) Total revenue	(B) Related or exempt function revenue	(C) Unrelated business revenue	(D) Revenue excluded from tax under sections 512-514	
Contributions, Gifts, Grants and Other Similar Amounts	1a	Federated campaigns . . .	1a				
	b	Membership dues . . .	1b				
	c	Fundraising events . . .	1c	327,895			
	d	Related organizations	1d				
	e	Government grants (contributions)	1e				
	f	All other contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts not included above	1f	1,768,795			
	g	Noncash contributions included in lines 1a-1f \$		57,250			
	h	Total. Add lines 1a-1f		2,096,690			
	Program Service Revenue			Business Code			
2a		ADMISSIONS PARKING ENTRY	900099	21,699,196	21,699,196		
b		CONCESSIONS SPECIAL ATTRACTIONS	900099	34,686,959	34,686,959		
c							
d							
e							
f		All other program service revenue					
g		Total. Add lines 2a-2f		56,386,155			
Other Revenue	3		Investment income (including dividends, interest, and other similar amounts)	111,925		111,925	
	4		Income from investment of tax-exempt bond proceeds	0			
	5		Royalties	0			
	6a	(i) Real	(ii) Personal				
		Gross rents					
		b Less rental expenses					
		c Rental income or (loss)		0	0		
	d		Net rental income or (loss)	0			
	7a	(i) Securities	(ii) Other				
		Gross amount from sales of assets other than inventory		751,461			
		b Less cost or other basis and sales expenses		571,179			
		c Gain or (loss)		180,282			
	d		Net gain or (loss)	180,282		180,282	
	8a	Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ 327,985 of contributions reported on line 1c) See Part IV, line 18		a	155,460		
		b Less direct expenses		b	47,950		
		c		Net income or (loss) from fundraising events	107,510		107,510
	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							
b							
c							
d		All other revenue					
e		Total. Add lines 11a-11d		0			
12		Total revenue. See Instructions		58,882,562	56,386,155	399,717	

Part IX Statement of Functional Expenses

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

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

	(A) Total expenses	(B) Program service expenses	(C) Management and general expenses	(D) Fundraising expenses
1 Grants and other assistance to domestic organizations and domestic governments. See Part IV, line 21.	1,050,688	1,050,688		
2 Grants and other assistance to domestic individuals. See Part IV, line 22.	0			
3 Grants and other assistance to foreign organizations, foreign governments, and foreign individuals. See Part IV, line 15 and 16.	0			
4 Benefits paid to or for members.	0			
5 Compensation of current officers, directors, trustees, and key employees.	2,956,330		2,956,330	
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.	6,036,368	6,036,368		
8 Pension plan accruals and contributions (include section 401(k) and 403(b) employer contributions).	344,881		344,881	
9 Other employee benefits.	512,526		512,526	
10 Payroll taxes.	714,055		714,055	
11 Fees for services (non-employees):				
a Management.	0			
b Legal.	744,020		744,020	
c Accounting.	75,000		75,000	
d Lobbying.	0			
e Professional fundraising services. See Part IV, line 17.	0			
f Investment management fees.	1,434,365		1,434,365	
g Other (If line 11g amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A) amount, list line 11g expenses on Schedule O).	5,427,056		5,427,056	
12 Advertising and promotion.	1,866,894	1,866,894		
13 Office expenses.	1,278,878	1,278,878		
14 Information technology.	154,298	154,298		
15 Royalties.	0			
16 Occupancy.	1,917,044	1,917,044		
17 Travel.	90,259	90,259		
18 Payments of travel or entertainment expenses for any federal, state, or local public officials.	0			
19 Conferences, conventions, and meetings.	0			
20 Interest.	38,581		38,581	
21 Payments to affiliates.	0			
22 Depreciation, depletion, and amortization.	3,687,739	3,687,739		
23 Insurance.	1,150,453		1,150,453	
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 SPECIAL ATTRACTIONS	9,654,471	9,654,471		
b EQUIPMENT RENTAL AND MAINT	8,439,712	8,439,712		
c OPERATING SUPPLIES & EXP	7,261,001	7,261,001		
d				
e All other expenses				
25 Total functional expenses. Add lines 1 through 24e.	54,834,619	41,437,352	13,397,267	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 IX ☐

				(A) Beginning of year		(B) End of year
Assets	1	Cash—non-interest-bearing		1,146,635	1	344,299
	2	Savings and temporary cash investments		31,020,919	2	36,612,843
	3	Pledges and grants receivable, net		17,474	3	15,165
	4	Accounts receivable, net		556,645	4	330,345
	5	Loans and other receivables from current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, and highest compensated employees. Complete Part II of Schedule L.		0	5	0
	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.		0	6	0
	7	Notes and loans receivable, net		0	7	0
	8	Inventories for sale or use		307,971	8	289,263
	9	Prepaid expenses and deferred charges		323,159	9	329,336
	10a	Land, buildings, and equipment: cost or other basis. Complete Part VI of Schedule D.	10a 68,527,534			
	b	Less: accumulated depreciation	10b 41,761,657	29,204,106	10c	26,765,877
	11	Investments—publicly traded securities		6,862,554	11	12,654,514
	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		963,689	15	1,146,151
16	Total assets. Add lines 1 through 15 (must equal line 34)		70,403,152	16	78,487,793	
Liabilities	17	Accounts payable and accrued expenses		276,313	17	1,075,628
	18	Grants payable		0	18	0
	19	Deferred revenue		0	19	0
	20	Tax-exempt bond liabilities		0	20	0
	21	Escrow or custodial account liability. Complete Part IV of Schedule D.		0	21	0
	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		0	22	0
	23	Secured mortgages and notes payable to unrelated third parties		3,118,765	23	2,107,274
	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.		14,405,730	25	18,014,181
	26	Total liabilities. Add lines 17 through 25		17,800,808	26	21,197,083
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		51,381,963	27	56,136,436
	28	Temporarily restricted net assets		1,178,712	28	1,112,605
	29	Permanently restricted net assets		41,669	29	41,669
	Organizations that do not follow SFAS 117 (ASC 958), check here ☐ and complete lines 30 through 34.					
	30	Capital stock or trust principal, or current funds			30	
	31	Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, building or equipment fund			31	
	32	Retained earnings, endowment, accumulated income, or other funds			32	
33	Total net assets or fund balances		52,602,344	33	57,290,710	
34	Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances		70,403,152	34	78,487,793	

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	58,882,562
2	Total expenses (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	2	54,834,619
3	Revenue less expenses Subtract line 2 from line 1	3	4,047,943
4	Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (must equal Part X, line 33, column (A))	4	52,602,344
5	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	5	747,933
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	-107,510
10	Net assets or fund balances at end of year Combine lines 3 through 9 (must equal Part X, line 33, column (B))	10	57,290,710

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

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

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Form 990, Part VII - Compensation of Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, Highest Compensated Employees, and Independent Contractors

(A)

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Name and Title	Average hours per week (list any hours for related organizations below dotted line)	Position (do not check more than one box, unless person is both an officer and a director/trustee)						Reportable compensation from the organization (W- 2/1099-MISC)	Reportable compensation from related organizations (W- 2/1099-MISC)	Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations
		Individual trustee or director	Institutional Trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former			
Joe Alcantar DIRECTOR	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
Marissa Anchia DIRECTOR	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
Norm P Bagwell Director	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
Robert W Best Director	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
Jan Hart Black Director	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
Richie Butler Director	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
April Box Director	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
John W Carpenter III Director	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
Roy C Coffee Jr VICE CHAIRMAN	3 0 0 0	X		X				0	0	0
Terry R Dallas Director	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0

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		Individual trustee or director	Institutional Trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former				
John de la Garza III Director	1 0 0 0	X							0	0	0
Paul Dyer Director	1 0 0 0	X							0	0	0
Walter Elcock Director	1 0 0 0	X							0	0	0
Victor J Elmore Director	1 0 0 0	X							0	0	0
Matrice Ellis-Kirk Director	1 0 0 0	X							0	0	0
Randy R Engstrom Director	1 0 0 0	X							0	0	0
Ruben E Esquivel VICE CHAIRMAN	3 0 0 0	X		X					0	0	0
Robert Estrada VICE CHAIRMAN	3 0 0 0	X		X					0	0	0
Rob Farrell DIRECTOR	1 0 0 0	X							0	0	0
Lois Finkelman VICE chairperson	3 0 0 0	X		X					0	0	0

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J Guadalupe V Garcia Director	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
Gary Griffith director	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
Donna Halstead Director	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
Douglas D Hawthorne Director	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
Vonciel Jones Hill Director	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
James Hitzelberger Director	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
Brenda Jackson Director	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
Richard Knight Jr chairman	6 0 0 0	X		X				0	0	0
Tom Lazo Director	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
J Michael Lewis director	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0

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Wendy Lopez Director	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
Alex Madrazo Director	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
Steven Mancillas Director	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
Stephen L Mansfield Director	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
Todd C Meier Director	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
James M Moroney III Vice chairman	3 0 0 0	X		X				0	0	0
Alice Murray Vice chairperson	3 0 0 0	X		X				0	0	0
Donnie Nelson Director	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
Gina Norris Vice Chairperson	3 0 0 0	X		X				0	0	0
Raymond F Quintanilla Director	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0

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James C Roberts Vice Chairperson	3 0 0 0	X		X				0	0	0
Rowland K Robinson Director	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
Pete Schenkel Vice Chairman	3 0 0 0	X		X				0	0	0
John F Scovell treasurer/vice chairman	3 0 0 0	X		X				0	0	0
George A Shafer vice chairman	3 0 0 0	X		X				0	0	0
Bruce A Sifford Vice Chairman	3 0 0 0	X		X				0	0	0
Chris Simmons director	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
Mary Suhm vice chairperson	1 0 0 0	X		X				0	0	0
Doug Thompson director	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
Nina Vaca director	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0

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		Individual trustee or director	Institutional Trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former			
W Kelvin Walker Director	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
Alan Walne vice chairman	3 0 0 0	X		X				0	0	0
Matthew R Walters Director	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
A B Wharton Director	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
Joel T Williams III Director	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
Craig A Woodcook vice chairman	3 0 0 0	X		X				0	0	0
SM Wright II Director	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
Mitchell Gieber president	45 0 0 0	X		X				699,552	0	90,232
Jaime Navarro CFO/SR VP FINANCE	45 0 0 0	X		X				333,441	0	73,605
Robert L Hilbun SVP MAINT/GM SFT	45 0 0 0				X			350,985	0	67,430

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Carey D Risinger SVP FOOD & BEVERAGE	45 0 0 0				X			242,773	0	52,265
Russell W Fitzgerald SVP operations	45 0 0 0				X			219,089	0	58,394
Jennifer Schuder SVP marketing	45 0 0 0				X			242,241	0	60,279
Daryl E Real SVP livestock	45 0 0 0				X			199,618	0	60,463
Karissa Condoianis VP PUBLIC RELATIONS	45 0 0 0				X			158,173	0	42,609
Jason K Hays Director - Creative Media	45 0 0 0					X		146,152	0	29,176
Margaret Hannah Director - HR/IT	45 0 0 0					X		126,187	0	29,530
Kelly Pound Director - Exhibits	45 0 0 0					X		122,602	0	36,739
Robert Forswall Director - Purchasing	45 0 0 0					X		119,306	0	39,191
Ned Durbin Director - Construction	45 0 0 0					X		117,371	0	26,561

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		Individual trustee or director	Institutional Trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former			
Errol Mckoy Former president	0 0 0 0						X	137,774	0	0

SCHEDULE A (Form 990 or 990-EZ)	Public Charity Status and Public Support Complete if the organization is a section 501(c)(3) organization or a section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust. ▶ Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ. ▶ Information about Schedule A (Form 990 or 990-EZ) and its instructions is at www.irs.gov/form990 .	OMB No 1545-0047
		2016 Open to Public Inspection
Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service Name of the organization STATE FAIR OF TEXAS	Employer identification number 75-6002511	

Part I Reason for Public Charity Status (All organizations must complete this part.) See instructions.

The organization is not a private foundation because it is (For lines 1 through 12, check only one box.)

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

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

Part II

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

Section A. Public Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ▶	(a)2012	(b)2013	(c)2014	(d)2015	(e)2016	(f)Total
1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received (Do not include any "unusual grant ")						
2 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf						
3 The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge						
4 Total. Add lines 1 through 3						
5 The portion of total contributions by each person (other than a governmental unit or publicly supported organization) included on line 1 that exceeds 2% of the amount shown on line 11, column (f)						
6 Public support. Subtract line 5 from line 4						

Section B. Total Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ▶	(a)2012	(b)2013	(c)2014	(d)2015	(e)2016	(f)Total
7 Amounts from line 4						
8 Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources						
9 Net income from unrelated business activities, whether or not the business is regularly carried on						
10 Other income Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part VI)						
11 Total support. Add lines 7 through 10						
12 Gross receipts from related activities, etc (see instructions)					12	
13 First five years. If the Form 990 is for the organization's first, second, third, fourth, or fifth tax year as a section 501(c)(3) organization, check this box and stop here ▶ ☐						

Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage

14 Public support percentage for 2016 (line 6, column (f) divided by line 11, column (f))	14	
15 Public support percentage for 2015 Schedule A, Part II, line 14	15	
16a 33 1/3% support test—2016. If the organization did not check the box on line 13, and line 14 is 33 1/3% or more, check this box and stop here. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization ▶ ☐		
b 33 1/3% support test—2015. If the organization did not check a box on line 13 or 16a, and line 15 is 33 1/3% or more, check this box and stop here. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization ▶ ☐		
17a 10%-facts-and-circumstances test—2016. If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, or 16b, and line 14 is 10% or more, and if the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test, check this box and stop here. Explain in Part VI how the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization ▶ ☐		
b 10%-facts-and-circumstances test—2015. If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, 16b, or 17a, and line 15 is 10% or more, and if the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test, check this box and stop here. Explain in Part VI how the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization ▶ ☐		
18 Private foundation. If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, 16b, 17a, or 17b, check this box and see instructions ▶ ☐		

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

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

Section A. Public Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ►		(a)2012	(b)2013	(c)2014	(d)2015	(e)2016	(f)Total
1	Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received (Do not include any "unusual grants.")	3,519,737	2,012,795	1,936,216	3,207,887	2,096,690	12,773,325
2	Gross receipts from admissions, merchandise sold or services performed, or facilities furnished in any activity that is related to the organization's tax-exempt purpose	38,036,731	42,411,006	44,800,612	53,612,317	56,386,155	235,246,821
3	Gross receipts from activities that are not an unrelated trade or business under section 513						0
4	Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf						0
5	The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge						0
6	Total. Add lines 1 through 5	41,556,468	44,423,801	46,736,828	56,820,204	58,482,845	248,020,146
7a	Amounts included on lines 1, 2, and 3 received from disqualified persons						0
b	Amounts included on lines 2 and 3 received from other than disqualified persons that exceed the greater of \$5,000 or 1% of the amount on line 13 for the year						0
c	Add lines 7a and 7b						0
8	Public support. (Subtract line 7c from line 6.)						248,020,146

Section B. Total Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ►		(a)2012	(b)2013	(c)2014	(d)2015	(e)2016	(f)Total
9	Amounts from line 6	41,556,468	44,423,801	46,736,828	56,820,204	58,482,845	248,020,146
10a	Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources	538,225	5,996,251	128,406	149,679	111,925	6,924,486
b	Unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 taxes) from businesses acquired after June 30, 1975						0
c	Add lines 10a and 10b	538,225	5,996,251	128,406	149,679	111,925	6,924,486
11	Net income from unrelated business activities not included in line 10b, whether or not the business is regularly carried on						0
12	Other income (Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part VI.)						0
13	Total support. (Add lines 9, 10c, 11, and 12.)	42,094,693	50,420,052	46,865,234	56,969,883	58,594,770	254,944,632
14	First five years. If the Form 990 is for the organization's first, second, third, fourth, or fifth tax year as a section 501(c)(3) organization, check this box and stop here ► ☐						

Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage

15	Public support percentage for 2016 (line 8, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f))	15	97.284 %
16	Public support percentage from 2015 Schedule A, Part III, line 15	16	97.070 %

Section D. Computation of Investment Income Percentage

17	Investment income percentage for 2016 (line 10c, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f))	17	2.716 %
18	Investment income percentage from 2015 Schedule A, Part III, line 17	18	2.930 %

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

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

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

Part IV Supporting Organizations

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

Section A. All Supporting Organizations

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

Part IV Supporting Organizations (continued)

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

Section B. Type I Supporting Organizations

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

Section C. Type II Supporting Organizations

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

Section D. All Type III Supporting Organizations

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

Section E. Type III Functionally-Integrated Supporting Organizations

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

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

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

Section A - Adjusted Net Income

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

Section B - Minimum Asset Amount

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

Section C - Distributable Amount

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

Part V

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

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

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

Part VI **Supplemental Information.**

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

Facts And Circumstances Test

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SCHEDULE D (Form 990) Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service		Supplemental Financial Statements ► Complete if the organization answered "Yes," on Form 990, Part IV, line 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11a, 11b, 11c, 11d, 11e, 11f, 12a, or 12b. ► Attach to Form 990. Information about Schedule D (Form 990) and its instructions is at www.irs.gov/form990.			OMB No 1545-0047 2016 Open to Public Inspection
Name of the organization STATE FAIR OF TEXAS				Employer identification number 75-6002511	
Part I Organizations Maintaining Donor Advised Funds or Other Similar Funds or Accounts. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 6.					
		(a) Donor advised funds		(b) Funds and other accounts	
1	Total number at end of year				
2	Aggregate value of contributions to (during year)				
3	Aggregate value of grants from (during year)				
4	Aggregate value at end of year				
5	Did the organization inform all donors and donor advisors in writing that the assets held in donor advised funds are the organization's property, subject to the organization's exclusive legal control?				☐ Yes ☐ No
6	Did the organization inform all grantees, donors, and donor advisors in writing that grant funds can be used only for charitable purposes and not for the benefit of the donor or donor advisor, or for any other purpose conferring impermissible private benefit?				☐ Yes ☐ No
Part II Conservation Easements. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 7.					
1	Purpose(s) of conservation easements held by the organization (check all that apply) ☐ Preservation of land for public use (e g , recreation or education) ☐ Preservation of an historically important land area ☐ Protection of natural habitat ☐ Preservation of a certified historic structure ☐ Preservation of open space				
2	Complete lines 2a through 2d if the organization held a qualified conservation contribution in the form of a conservation easement on the last day of the tax year				
a	Total number of conservation easements	Held at the End of the Year			
b	Total acreage restricted by conservation easements	2a			
c	Number of conservation easements on a certified historic structure included in (a)	2b			
d	Number of conservation easements included in (c) acquired after 8/17/06, and not on a historic structure listed in the National Register	2c			
		2d			
3	Number of conservation easements modified, transferred, released, extinguished, or terminated by the organization during the tax year ►				
4	Number of states where property subject to conservation easement is located ►				
5	Does the organization have a written policy regarding the periodic monitoring, inspection, handling of violations, and enforcement of the conservation easements it holds?				☐ Yes ☐ No
6	Staff and volunteer hours devoted to monitoring, inspecting, handling of violations, and enforcing conservation easements during the year ►				
7	Amount of expenses incurred in monitoring, inspecting, handling of violations, and enforcing conservation easements during the year ► \$				
8	Does each conservation easement reported on line 2(d) above satisfy the requirements of section 170(h)(4)(B)(i) and section 170(h)(4)(B)(ii)?				☐ Yes ☐ No
9	In Part XIII, describe how the organization reports conservation easements in its revenue and expense statement, and balance sheet, and include, if applicable, the text of the footnote to the organization's financial statements that describes the organization's accounting for conservation easements				
Part III Organizations Maintaining Collections of Art, Historical Treasures, or Other Similar Assets. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 8.					
1a	If the organization elected, as permitted under SFAS 116 (ASC 958), not to report in its revenue statement and balance sheet works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets held for public exhibition, education, or research in furtherance of public service, provide, in Part XIII, the text of the footnote to its financial statements that describes these items				
b	If the organization elected, as permitted under SFAS 116 (ASC 958), to report in its revenue statement and balance sheet works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets held for public exhibition, education, or research in furtherance of public service, provide the following amounts relating to these items				
(i) Revenue included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 1		► \$			
(ii) Assets included in Form 990, Part X		► \$			
2	If the organization received or held works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets for financial gain, provide the following amounts required to be reported under SFAS 116 (ASC 958) relating to these items				
a	Revenue included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 1				► \$
b	Assets included in Form 990, Part X				► \$
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Part III

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

3

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

a

☐ Public exhibition

b

☐ Scholarly research

c

☐ Preservation for future generations

d

☐ Loan or exchange programs

e

☐ Other

4

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

5

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

☐ Yes

☐ No

Part IV

Escrow and Custodial Arrangements.

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

1a

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

☐ Yes

☐ No

b

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

c

Beginning balance

d

Additions during the year

e

Distributions during the year

f

Ending balance

	Amount
1c	
1d	
1e	
1f	

2a

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

☐ Yes

☐ No

b

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

☐

Part V

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

	(a)Current year	(b)Prior year	(c)Two years back	(d)Three years back	(e)Four years back
1a Beginning of year balance	41,669	41,669	41,669	41,669	41,669
b Contributions					
c Net investment earnings, gains, and losses	8	8	8	8	8
d Grants or scholarships					
e Other expenditures for facilities and programs	8	8	8	8	8
f Administrative expenses					
g End of year balance	41,669	41,669	41,669	41,669	41,669

2

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

a

Board designated or quasi-endowment

b

Permanent endowment

100 000 %

c

Temporarily restricted endowment

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

3a

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

(i) unrelated organizations

3a(i)

Yes

No

(ii) related organizations

3a(ii)

Yes

No

b

If "Yes" on 3a(ii), are the related organizations listed as required on Schedule R?

3b

Yes

4

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

Part VI

Land, Buildings, and Equipment.

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

Description of property	(a) Cost or other basis (investment)	(b) Cost or other basis (other)	(c) Accumulated depreciation	(d) Book value
1a Land		5,058,422		5,058,422
b Buildings		18,675,336	15,233,898	3,441,438
c Leasehold improvements		13,978,714	11,022,116	2,956,598
d Equipment		30,815,062	15,505,643	15,309,419
e Other				
Total. Add lines 1a through 1e (Column (d) must equal Form 990, Part X, column (B), line 10(c))				26,765,877

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Part VII

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

(a) Description of security or category (including name of security)	(b) Book value	(c) Method of valuation Cost or end-of-year market value
(1) Financial derivatives		
(2) Closely-held equity interests		
(3) Other _____		
(A)		
(B)		
(C)		
(D)		
(E)		
(F)		
(G)		
(H)		
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col (B) line 12)		

Part VIII

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

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

Part IX

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

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

Part X

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

1. (a) Description of liability	(b) Book value
(1) Federal income taxes	0
See Additional Data Table	
(2)	
(3)	
(4)	
(5)	
(6)	
(7)	
(8)	
(9)	
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col (B) line 25)	18,014,181

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

☒

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

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

1	Total revenue, gains, and other support per audited financial statements	1	55,842,262
2	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12		
a	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	2a	747,934
b	Donated services and use of facilities	2b	
c	Recoveries of prior year grants	2c	
d	Other (Describe in Part XIII)	2d	
e	Add lines 2a through 2d	2e	747,934
3	Subtract line 2e from line 1	3	55,094,328
4	Amounts included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, but not on line 1 :		
a	Investment expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b	4a	1,434,365
b	Other (Describe in Part XIII)	4b	2,353,869
c	Add lines 4a and 4b	4c	3,788,234
5	Total revenue. Add lines 3 and 4c . (This must equal Form 990, Part I, line 12)	5	58,882,562

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

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

1	Total expenses and losses per audited financial statements	1	51,153,895
2	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part IX, line 25		
a	Donated services and use of facilities	2a	
b	Prior year adjustments	2b	
c	Other losses	2c	
d	Other (Describe in Part XIII)	2d	
e	Add lines 2a through 2d	2e	
3	Subtract line 2e from line 1	3	51,153,895
4	Amounts included on Form 990, Part IX, line 25, but not on line 1 :		
a	Investment expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b	4a	1,434,365
b	Other (Describe in Part XIII)	4b	2,246,359
c	Add lines 4a and 4b	4c	3,680,724
5	Total expenses. Add lines 3 and 4c . (This must equal Form 990, Part I, line 18)	5	54,834,619

Part XIII Supplemental Information

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

Return Reference	Explanation
See Additional Data Table	

Part XIII **Supplemental Information** *(continued)*

Return Reference	Explanation

Additional Data

Software ID:
Software Version:
EIN: 75-6002511
Name: STATE FAIR OF TEXAS

Form 990, Schedule D, Part X, - Other Liabilities

1	(a) Description of Liability	(b) Book Value
	ACCruED SCHOLARSHIPS PAYABLE	1,737,000
	ACCruED POLICE OT-CITY OF DALL	1,125,400
	DEFERRED COMPENSATION-SEC 457	1,146,151
	ACCruED RENT	8,632,770
	ACCruED LEGAL FEES	24,114
	ACCruED MANAGEMENT BONUS	1,461,796
	ACCruED AUDIT FEES	92,008
	ACCruED BANK ANALYSIS FEES	112,974
	ACCruED CREDIT CARD FEES	88,625
	AUCTION SALES-2016 SEASON	28,816

Form 990, Schedule D, Part X, - Other Liabilities

1 (a) Description of Liability	(b) Book Value
ACCRUED INTEREST	2,954
ACCRUED UTILITIES	500,000
LONG-TERM PLEDGES	14,315
OTHER ACCRUED LIABILITIES	3,047,258

Supplemental Information	
Return Reference	Explanation
Revenue on 990, not on book	form 990, schedule d, part xi, line 4b CASH SPONSOR CONTRIBUTION 4,378,361 COTTON BOWL RE NTAL EXP (928,778) IN-KIND Services (1,203,224) NET FUNDRAISING INCOME 107,510 Total 2,353 ,869

Supplemental Information	
Return Reference	Explanation
EXPENSE ITEMS ON THE RETURN BUT NOT ON BOOKS	form 990, schedule d, part xii, line 4b CASH SPONSORSHIP CONTRIBUTIONS \$ 4,378,361 RENT EXPENSE \$ (928,778) IN-KIND SERVICES \$ (1,203,224) TOTAL \$ 2,246,359

Supplemental Information	
Return Reference	Explanation
intended use of endowment fund	FORM 990, SCHEDULE D, PART V, LINE 4 THE ENDOWMENT IS RESTRICTED BY THE DONOR FOR PURPOSES OF LIVESTOCK AUCTION PREMIUMS AT THE ANNUAL YOUTH LIVESTOCK AUCTION

Supplemental Information	
Return Reference	Explanation
FIN 48 (ASC 740)	PART X, LINE 2 THE FAIR IS EXEMPT FROM FEDERAL INCOME TAXES UNDER SECTION 501(A) OF THE I NTERNAL REVENUE CODE (IRC) AS AN ORGANIZATION DESCRIBED IN SECTION 501(C)(3) THE FAIR REC EIVES CERTAIN CONTRIBUTIONS TO PARTIALLY OFFSET THE COSTS OF VARIOUS EVENTS AT THE ANNUAL FAIR THE FAIR BELIEVES SUCH CONTRIBUTIONS ARE RELATED TO ITS TAX-EXEMPT PURPOSE AND, ACCO RDINGLY, EXCLUDES SUCH AMOUNTS FROM ITS UNRELATED BUSINESS INCOME COMPUTATION

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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, lines 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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STATE FAIR OF TEXAS

Employer identification number
75-6002511

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 ten highest paid individuals or entities (fundraisers) pursuant to agreements under which the fundraiser is to be compensated at least \$5,000 by the organization.

(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						
2						
3						
4						
5						
6						
7						
8						
9						
10						
Total ▶						

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

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

Revenue		(a) Event #1 <u>AUCTION</u> (event type)	(b) Event #2 <u>GOLF TOURNAMENT</u> (event type)	(c) Other events <u>1</u> (total number)	(d) Total events (add col (a) through col (c))
1	Gross receipts	327,895	83,035	72,425	483,355
2	Less Contributions	327,895			327,895
3	Gross income (line 1 minus line 2)		83,035	72,425	155,460
Direct Expenses	4 Cash prizes				
	5 Noncash prizes		15,237	4,086	19,323
	6 Rent/facility costs		9,330	14,255	23,585
	7 Food and beverages				
	8 Entertainment				
	9 Other direct expenses			5,042	5,042
	10 Direct expense summary Add lines 4 through 9 in column (d) ▶				47,950
	11 Net income summary Subtract line 10 from line 3, column (d) ▶				107,510

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

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

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

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

☐ Yes ☐ No

b If "No," explain _____

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

☐ Yes ☐ No

b If "Yes," explain _____

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

Name ►

Address ►

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

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

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

Name ►

Address ►

16 Gaming manager information

Name ►

Gaming manager compensation ► \$

Description of services provided ►

☐ Director/officer ☐ Employee ☐ Independent contractor

17 Mandatory distributions

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

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

Return Reference

Explanation

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

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Treasury
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STATE FAIR OF TEXAS

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Part I

General Information on Grants and Assistance

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

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

Part II

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

(a) Name and address of organization or government	(b) EIN	(c) IRC section if applicable	(d) Amount of cash grant	(e) Amount of non-cash assistance	(f) Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other)	(g) Description of non-cash assistance	(h) Purpose of grant or assistance
See Additional Data Table							
(1)							
(2)							
(3)							
(4)							
(5)							
(6)							
(7)							
(8)							
(9)							
(10)							
(11)							
(12)							

2 Enter total number of section 501(c)(3) and government organizations listed in the line 1 table 20

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

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

Part III can be duplicated if additional space is needed

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

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

Return Reference	Explanation
PROCEDURE FOR MONITORING THE USE OF GRANTS IN THE US	FORM 990, SCHEDULE I, PART I, LINE 2 The recipients of scholarships from the State Fair of Texas Youth Scholarship Fund must meet these five requirements (1) Complete in one of the State Fair of Texas competitive agriculture/livestock events, (2) Submit high school transcript (complete through third six weeks of senior year) including verified ACT and/or SAT scores and verified rank in graduating class and graduating class size, (3) Submit a completed application during the period March 1-15 (4) Graduate from high school during the current year and begin college or university course work the following Fall Semester, (5) Attend an accredited college or university in Texas and take a minimum of 12-hour course load per term and maintain a minimum 2.5 grade point average Scholarship awards are determined on the basis of financial need, academic performance and participation in extra-curricular activities, with preference given to those applicants who enroll in an agricultural and/or natural resources curriculum who show financial need Additionally, scholarships are awarded to inner-city youth attending the five Dallas Independent School District high schools surrounding the Fair Park area (James Madison, Lincoln, North Dallas, Irma Rangel and Woodrow Wilson high schools) Such awards are based upon applications received from students at the five high schools and selection is based upon financial need, academic performance and participation in extra-curricular activities and the criteria listed in items two through five above

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

(a) Name and address of organization or government	(b) EIN	(c) IRC section if applicable	(d) Amount of cash grant	(e) Amount of non-cash assistance	(f) Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other)	(g) Description of non-cash assistance	(h) Purpose of grant or assistance
Angelo State University 2601 West Avenue North San Angelo, TX 76909	75-6002403	503(c)(3)	9,000				Student Scholarship
Austin College 900 N Grand Sherman, TX 75090	75-0827409	503(c)(3)	9,000				Student Scholarship

Form 990, Schedule I, Part II, Grants and Other Assistance to Domestic Organizations and Domestic Governments.							
(a) Name and address of organization or government	(b) EIN	(c) IRC section if applicable	(d) Amount of cash grant	(e) Amount of non-cash assistance	(f) Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other)	(g) Description of non-cash assistance	(h) Purpose of grant or assistance
Baylor University Baylor University Waco, TX 76798	74-1159753	503(c)(3)	5,500				Student Scholarship
Blinn Junior College 902 College Avenue Brenham, TX 77833	74-6000400	503(c)(3)	12,000				Student Scholarship

Form 990, Schedule I, Part II, Grants and Other Assistance to Domestic Organizations and Domestic Governments.							
(a) Name and address of organization or government	(b) EIN	(c) IRC section if applicable	(d) Amount of cash grant	(e) Amount of non-cash assistance	(f) Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other)	(g) Description of non-cash assistance	(h) Purpose of grant or assistance
Clarendon College 1322 West Second Street Clarendon, TX 79226	75-2378278	503(c)(3)	8,625				Student Scholarship
Sam Houston State University P O Box 2027 Huntsville, TX 75460	74-6001430	503(c)(3)	9,000				Student Scholarship

Form 990, Schedule I, Part II, Grants and Other Assistance to Domestic Organizations and Domestic Governments.							
(a) Name and address of organization or government	(b) EIN	(c) IRC section if applicable	(d) Amount of cash grant	(e) Amount of non-cash assistance	(f) Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other)	(g) Description of non-cash assistance	(h) Purpose of grant or assistance
South Plains College 1920 West 24th Street Plainview, TX 79072	75-6004667	503(c)(3)	9,000				Student Scholarship
Southern Methodist University P O Box 750196 Dallas, TX 75275	75-0800689	503(c)(3)	12,000				Student Scholarship

Form 990, Schedule I, Part II, Grants and Other Assistance to Domestic Organizations and Domestic Governments.							
(a) Name and address of organization or government	(b) EIN	(c) IRC section if applicable	(d) Amount of cash grant	(e) Amount of non-cash assistance	(f) Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other)	(g) Description of non-cash assistance	(h) Purpose of grant or assistance
St Edwards University 3001 s Congress Ave Austin, TX 78704	74-1109641	503(c)(3)	5,250				Student Scholarship
Tarleton State University Box T 0310 Tarleton Station Stephenville, TX 76402	75-6001870	503(c)(3)	40,250				Student Scholarship

Form 990, Schedule I, Part II, Grants and Other Assistance to Domestic Organizations and Domestic Governments.							
(a) Name and address of organization or government	(b) EIN	(c) IRC section if applicable	(d) Amount of cash grant	(e) Amount of non-cash assistance	(f) Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other)	(g) Description of non-cash assistance	(h) Purpose of grant or assistance
Texas A&M University - College Station The Pavilion College Station, TX 77843	74-6000531	503(c)(3)	190,250				Student Scholarship
Texas A&M University - Commerce PO Box 3011 TAMU Station Commerce, TX 75429	75-6001353	503(c)(3)	5,250				Student Scholarship

Form 990, Schedule I, Part II, Grants and Other Assistance to Domestic Organizations and Domestic Governments.							
(a) Name and address of organization or government	(b) EIN	(c) IRC section if applicable	(d) Amount of cash grant	(e) Amount of non-cash assistance	(f) Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other)	(g) Description of non-cash assistance	(h) Purpose of grant or assistance
Texas State University 601 University Drive San Marcos, TX 78666	74-6002248	503(c)(3)	8,750				Student Scholarship
Texas Tech University PO Box 45011 Lubbock, TX 79409	75-6002622	503(c)(3)	80,250				Student Scholarship

Form 990, Schedule I, Part II, Grants and Other Assistance to Domestic Organizations and Domestic Governments.							
(a) Name and address of organization or government	(b) EIN	(c) IRC section if applicable	(d) Amount of cash grant	(e) Amount of non-cash assistance	(f) Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other)	(g) Description of non-cash assistance	(h) Purpose of grant or assistance
Texas Woman's University P O Box 425408 Denton, TX 76204	75-6002618	503(c)(3)	11,250				Student Scholarship
University of North Texas - Denton P O Box 311277 Denton, TX 76203	75-6002149	503(c)(3)	12,000				Student Scholarship

Form 990, Schedule I, Part II, Grants and Other Assistance to Domestic Organizations and Domestic Governments.							
(a) Name and address of organization or government	(b) EIN	(c) IRC section if applicable	(d) Amount of cash grant	(e) Amount of non-cash assistance	(f) Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other)	(g) Description of non-cash assistance	(h) Purpose of grant or assistance
University of Texas at Arlington PO Box 19199 Arlington, TX 76019	75-6000121	503(c)(3)	10,500				Student Scholarship
University of Texas at Austin P O Box 7699 Austin, TX 78713	74-6000203	503(c)(3)	35,250				Student Scholarship

Form 990, Schedule I, Part II, Grants and Other Assistance to Domestic Organizations and Domestic Governments.							
(a) Name and address of organization or government	(b) EIN	(c) IRC section if applicable	(d) Amount of cash grant	(e) Amount of non-cash assistance	(f) Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other)	(g) Description of non-cash assistance	(h) Purpose of grant or assistance
University of Texas at Dallas 2601 Floyd Road Richardson, TX 75080	75-1305566	503(c)(3)	12,000				Student Scholarship
West Texas A&M University WTAMU Box 60939 Canyon, TX 76016	75-6031405	503(c)(3)	11,250				Student Scholarship

Schedule J
(Form 990)

Department of the
Treasury
Internal Revenue
Service

Compensation Information

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

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Part I

Questions Regarding Compensation

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

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

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

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

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

Part III **Supplemental Information**

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

Return Reference	Explanation
compensation contingent on the net earnings of the organization	form 990, schedule j, part i, line 6a. State Fair of Texas maintains a capped management bonus plan for all employees, including department directors, vice presidents, senior vice presidents and the President. Each employee must complete written goals and objectives for their operating area which is approved by the President. The President makes assessments of all employees' (excluding himself) performance and achievement of written goals and objectives and their target bonus percentage and makes recommended bonus awards to the Finance/Audit Committee. The Finance/Audit Committee deliberates on the recommended awards and any bonus award for the President without management present and makes a recommendation to the Executive Committee of the Board of Directors ("Executive Committee"). The Executive Committee deliberates and decides on the final management bonus awards without management present. All such decisions of the Executive Committee are documented with contemporaneous minutes of its meetings.

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

(A) Name and Title		(B) Breakdown of W-2 and/or 1099-MISC compensation			(C) Retirement and other deferred compensation	(D) Nontaxable benefits	(E) Total of columns (B)(i)-(D)	(F) Compensation in column (B) reported as deferred on prior Form 990
		(i) Base Compensation	(ii) Bonus & incentive compensation	(iii) Other reportable compensation				
1 Mitchell Gieberpresident	(i)	283,290	400,000	16,262	59,644	30,588	789,784	0
	(ii)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1Jaime Navarro CFO/SR VP FINANCE	(i)	185,671	147,500	270	44,196	29,409	407,046	0
	(ii)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2Robert L Hilbun SVP MAINT/GM SFT	(i)	201,199	147,500	2,286	46,092	21,338	418,415	0
	(ii)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
3Carey D Risinger SVP FOOD & BEVERAGE	(i)	165,487	75,000	2,286	40,565	11,700	295,038	0
	(ii)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
4Russell W Fitzgerald SVP operations	(i)	159,315	59,000	774	37,381	21,013	277,483	0
	(ii)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
5Jennifer Schuder SVP marketing	(i)	141,971	100,000	270	39,975	20,304	302,520	0
	(ii)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
6Daryl E RealSVP livestock	(i)	140,456	59,000	162	30,209	30,254	260,081	0
	(ii)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
7Kanssa Condoianis VP PUBLIC RELATIONS	(i)	108,011	50,000	162	21,886	20,723	200,782	0
	(ii)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
8Jason K Hays Director - Creative Media	(i)	96,014	50,000	138	17,987	11,189	175,328	0
	(ii)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
9Margaret Hannah Director - HR/IT	(i)	89,516	36,000	671	18,307	11,223	155,717	0
	(ii)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
10Kelly Pound Director - Exhibits	(i)	91,885	30,000	717	25,383	11,356	159,341	0
	(ii)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
11Robert Forswall Director - Purchasing	(i)	94,120	24,000	1,186	21,445	17,746	158,497	0
	(ii)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
12Errol Mckoy Former president	(i)	137,774	0	0	0	0	137,774	0
	(ii)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Schedule L
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Transactions with Interested Persons

▶ Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, lines 25a, 25b, 26, 27, 28a, 28b, or 28c, or Form 990-EZ, Part V, line 38a or 40b.
▶ Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ.
▶ Information about Schedule L (Form 990 or 990-EZ) and its instructions is at www.irs.gov/form990.

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Part I Excess Benefit Transactions (section 501(c)(3), section 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations only)
Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 25a or 25b, or Form 990-EZ, Part V, line 40b

1	(a) Name of disqualified person	(b) Relationship between disqualified person and organization	(c) Description of transaction	(d) Corrected?	
				Yes	No

2 Enter the amount of tax incurred by organization managers or disqualified persons during the year under section 4958 ▶ \$

3 Enter the amount of tax, if any, on line 2, above, reimbursed by the organization ▶ \$

Part II Loans to and/or From Interested Persons.
Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990-EZ, Part V, line 38a, or Form 990, Part IV, line 26, or if the organization reported an amount on Form 990, Part X, line 5, 6, or 22

(a) Name of interested person	(b) Relationship with organization	(c) Purpose of loan	(d) Loan to or from the organization?		(e) Original principal amount	(f) Balance due	(g) In default?		(h) Approved by board or committee?		(i) Written agreement?	
			To	From			Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Total						▶ \$						

Part III Grants or Assistance Benefiting Interested Persons.
Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 27.

(a) Name of interested person	(b) Relationship between interested person and the organization	(c) Amount of assistance	(d) Type of assistance	(e) Purpose of assistance

Part IV Business Transactions Involving Interested Persons.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 28a, 28b, or 28c.

(a) Name of interested person	(b) Relationship between interested person and the organization	(c) Amount of transaction	(d) Description of transaction	(e) Sharing of organization's revenues?	
				Yes	No
(1) substantial contributor	substantial contributor	533,190	rides operating -see note 1		No
(2) Errol Mckoy	Former president	137,774	Counsulting -see note 2		No
(3) Robert B Smith	Former Director	421,423	Legal SERVICE -see note 3		No
(4) substantial contributor	substantial contributor	555,040	electricity deliver-see note 4		No
(5) substantial contributor	substantial contributor	1,581,277	cleaning service -see note 5		No
(6) Linda Smith	family member of Robert B Smith, former director	143,677	employment -see note 6		No

Part V Supplemental Information

Provide additional information for responses to questions on Schedule L (see instructions)

Return Reference	Explanation
Footnotes to Schedule L, PART IV	1 RIDE VENDORS AT THE ANNUAL FAIR CONDUCTED BY THE STATE FAIR OF TEXAS (SFT) MAKE CONTRIBUTIONS TO STATE FAIR'S Youth Livestock Auction 2 MR MCKOY IS THE RETIRED PRESIDENT & CEO OF SFT AND PROVIDED CONSULTING SERVICES TO SFT THROUGH 2016 3 MR SMITH MAINTAINS A PRIVATE LAW PRACTICE HE PROVIDES LEGAL SERVICES TO SFT AT DISCOUNTED RATES 4 ELECTRICITY IS PROVIDED TO SFT ON THE SAME TERMS THAT ELECTRICITY IS PROVIDED TO THE GENERAL PUBLIC 5 CLEANING SERVICES ARE PROVIDED TO SFT ON THE SAME TERMS AS THESE SERVICES ARE PROVIDED TO THE GENERAL PUBLIC 6 MS SMITH IS THE STEPMOTHER OF ROBERT B SMITH AND HAS BEEN EMPLOYED BY SFT FOR 35 YEARS AS AN ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT Please see attachment 1 for details Due to an oversight, the information described in notes 1-6 above was inadvertently omitted from Part VII and schedule L OF SFT'S 2015 FORM 990 RETURN

Part II**Supplemental Information.**

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

Return Reference

Explanation

SCHEDULE O
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue ServiceName of the organization
STATE FAIR OF TEXAS**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
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Executive committee	FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION A, LINE 1a Article V Section 1 of State Fair of Texas Bylaws provides for the establishment of an Executive Committee of the Board of Directors and vests in the Executive Committee the authority to act on behalf of the Board of Directors between meetings of the Board

990 Schedule O, Supplemental Information

Return Reference	Explanation
DIRECTOR OR KEY EMPLOYEE FAMILY OR BUSINESS RELATIONSHIP	FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION A, LINE 2 Name of Individuals Type of Relationship Roy Coffee and J Michael Lewis Business John W Carpenter III and J Michael Lewis Business Ruben Es quivel and Robert W Best Business

990 Schedule O, Supplemental Information

Return Reference	Explanation
PROCESS TO REVIEW FORM 990	FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION b, LINE 11B The Form 990 was reviewed in detail with the Finance/Audit Committee The Form 990 was then distributed to all members of the Board of Directors prior to filing

990 Schedule O, Supplemental Information

Return Reference	Explanation
MONITORING AND ENFORCING CONFLICT OF INTEREST POLICY	FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION B, LINE 12C State Fair of Texas ("SFT") performs an annual survey of its directors, officers, and key employees regarding any business or family relationships with SFT or with SFTs other directors, officers and key employees Any potential conflicts of interest are reviewed by the Finance/Audit Committee which recommends any necessary corrective action to the Executive Committee

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Return Reference	Explanation
PROCESS FOR DETERMINING COMPENSATION	FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION B, LINES 15A & 15B In December 2016, State Fair of Texas("SFT") engaged a national accounting and consulting firm to update the previous compensation review which was last performed in 2014, 2012 and 2010 (finalized in 2011) Positions included in this compensation review were President, Senior Vice Presidents, Vice Presidents and Department Directors The firm conducted market analyses for these positions' base and total cash compensation and concluded that all amounts were within the competitive range The President provides salary and bonus recommendations for all employees (other than the President), which are reviewed by the Finance/Audit Committee The Chairman of the Board of Directors recommends the President's salary and bonus, which is also reviewed by the Finance/Audit Committee Salary and bonus amounts are deliberated by the Finance/Audit Committee without the presence of management and utilizing the compensation review referenced above The Finance/Audit Committee then makes recommendations to the Executive Committee for consideration, deliberation and decision All such decisions of the Executive Committee are documented with contemporaneous minutes of its meetings

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HOW MAKE DOCUMENTS PUBLIC	FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION C, LINE 19 State Fair of Texas ("SFT") makes the following documents available to the general public on SFT's website at www.bigtex.com Bylaws, Restated Certificate of Formation, Conflict of Interest/Ethics Policy, Finance/Audit Committee Charter, and audited financial statements In addition, SFT makes its governing documents, conflict of interest policy and audited financial statements available to the public by providing copies upon request and available for inspection at its administrative office

990 Schedule O, Supplemental Information

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Reconciliation of Net Assets	Form 990, Part XI, Line 9 FUNDRAISING NET INCOME RECLASSIFICATION \$(107,510)

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FORM 990, PART X, LINE 23	SECURED MORTGAGES AND NOTES PAYABLE THE INTEREST RATE OF NOTES PAYABLE IS THAT British Bankers Association one-month floating LIBOR plus 1.0%