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

Short Form
Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax
 Under section 501(c), 527, or 4947(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code (except private foundations)

▶ **Do not enter social security numbers on this form as it may be made public.**
 ▶ **Information about Form 990-EZ and its instructions is at www.irs.gov/form990.**

OMB No 1545-1150
2016
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A For the 2016 calendar year, or tax year beginning 03-01-2016, and ending 02-28-2017

- B** Check if applicable
 Address change
 Name change
 Initial return
 Final return/terminated
 Amended return
 Application pending

C Name of organization
 INDEPENDENT FINANCE INSTITUTE INC

Number and street (or P O box, if mail is not delivered to street address) Room/suite
 801 S ABE STREET

City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code
 SAN ANGELO, TX 76904

D Employer identification number
 73-1034242

E Telephone number

F Group Exemption Number ▶

G Accounting Method Cash Accrual Other (specify) ▶ _____

I Website: ▶ N/A

J Tax-exempt status (check only one) - 501(c)(3) 501(c)(6) ◀ (insert no) 4947(a)(1) or 527

H Check if the organization is not required to attach Schedule B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF)

K Form of organization Corporation Trust Association Other _____

L Add lines 5b, 6c, and 7b to line 9 to determine gross receipts. If gross receipts are \$200,000 or more, or if total assets (Part II, column (B) below) are \$500,000 or more, file Form 990 instead of Form 990-EZ. ▶ \$ 121,996

Part I Revenue, Expenses, and Changes in Net Assets or Fund Balances (see the instructions for Part I)
 Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part I.

Revenue	1	Contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts received	1	112,320
	2	Program service revenue including government fees and contracts	2	9,391
	3	Membership dues and assessments	3	
	4	Investment income	4	285
	5a	Gross amount from sale of assets other than inventory	5a	
	b	Less cost or other basis and sales expenses	5b	
	c	Gain or (loss) from sale of assets other than inventory (Subtract line 5b from line 5a)	5c	
	6	Gaming and fundraising events		
	a	Gross income from gaming (attach Schedule G if greater than \$15,000)	6a	
	b	Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ _____ of contributions from fundraising events reported on line 1) (attach Schedule G if the sum of such gross income and contributions exceeds \$15,000)	6b	
	c	Less direct expenses from gaming and fundraising events	6c	
	d	Net income or (loss) from gaming and fundraising events (add lines 6a and 6b and subtract line 6c)	6d	
	7a	Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances	7a	
	b	Less cost of goods sold	7b	
	c	Gross profit or (loss) from sales of inventory (Subtract line 7b from line 7a)	7c	
	8	Other revenue (describe in Schedule O)	8	
	9	Total revenue. Add lines 1, 2, 3, 4, 5c, 6d, 7c, and 8 ▶	9	121,996
Expenses	10	Grants and similar amounts paid (list in Schedule O)	10	
	11	Benefits paid to or for members	11	
	12	Salaries, other compensation, and employee benefits	12	
	13	Professional fees and other payments to independent contractors	13	103,765
	14	Occupancy, rent, utilities, and maintenance	14	
	15	Printing, publications, postage, and shipping	15	
	16	Other expenses (describe in Schedule O)	16	
17	Total expenses. Add lines 10 through 16 ▶	17	103,765	
Net Assets	18	Excess or (deficit) for the year (Subtract line 17 from line 9)	18	18,231
	19	Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (from line 27, column (A)) (must agree with end-of-year figure reported on prior year's return)	19	169,897
	20	Other changes in net assets or fund balances (explain in Schedule O)	20	
	21	Net assets or fund balances at end of year. Combine lines 18 through 20	21	188,128

Part II Balance Sheets (see the instructions for Part II)
 Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part II

	(A) Beginning of year		(B) End of year
22 Cash, savings, and investments	169,897	22	188,128
23 Land and buildings		23	
24 Other assets (describe in Schedule O)		24	
25 Total assets	169,897	25	188,128
26 Total liabilities (describe in Schedule O).		26	
27 Net assets or fund balances (line 27 of column (B) must agree with line 21)	169,897	27	188,128

Part III Statement of Program Service Accomplishments (see the instructions for Part III)
 Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part III

What is the organization's primary exempt purpose?
SEE LINE 28

Describe the organization's program service accomplishments for each of its three largest program services, as measured by expenses. In a clear and concise manner, describe the services provided, the number of persons benefited, and other relevant information for each program title

		Expenses (Required for section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations, optional for others)
28	See Additional Data Table	
(Grants \$)	If this amount includes foreign grants, check here <input type="checkbox"/>	28a
29		29a
(Grants \$)	If this amount includes foreign grants, check here <input type="checkbox"/>	
30		30a
(Grants \$)	If this amount includes foreign grants, check here <input type="checkbox"/>	
31 Other program services (describe in Schedule O)		
(Grants \$)	If this amount includes foreign grants, check here <input type="checkbox"/>	31a
32 Total program service expenses (add lines 28a through 31a)		32

Part IV List of Officers, Directors, Trustees, and Key Employees (list each one even if not compensated — see the instructions for Part IV)
 Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part IV.

(a) Name and title	(b) Average hours per week devoted to position	(c) Reportable compensation (Forms W-2/1099-MISC) (if not paid, enter -0-)	(d) Health benefits, contributions to employee benefit plans, and deferred compensation	(e) Estimated amount of other compensation
JAMES THOMAS HUDGINS JR PRESIDENT	1 00	0		
JERRY DOUGLAS VICE PRESIDE	1 00	0		
MARK BELCHER SECR/TREAS	1 00	0		

Part V Other Information (Note the Schedule A and personal benefit contract statement requirements in the instructions for Part V) Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part V

Table with 3 columns: Question ID, Question Text, Yes, No. Rows include 33, 34, 35a, 35b, 35c, 36, 37a, 37b, 38a, 38b, 39, 39a, 39b, 40a, 40b, 40c, 40d, 40e, 41.

42a The organization's books are in care of JODIE A DOUGLASS CPA INC Telephone no (580) 223-5122 Located at 1505 N COMMERCE SUITE 202 ARDMORE, OK ZIP + 4 73401

Table with 3 columns: Question ID, Question Text, Yes, No. Rows include 42b, 42c.

43 Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts filing Form 990-EZ in lieu of Form 1041 - Check here and enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the tax year 43

Table with 3 columns: Question ID, Question Text, Yes, No. Rows include 44a, 44b, 44c, 44d, 45a, 45b.

46 Did the organization engage, directly or indirectly, in political campaign activities on behalf of or in opposition to candidates for public office? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part I 46 No

Part VI Section 501(c)(3) organizations only
All section 501(c)(3) organizations must answer questions 47-49b and 52, and complete the tables for lines 50 and 51. Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part VI

47 Did the organization engage in lobbying activities or have a section 501(h) election in effect during the tax year? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part II 47
48 Is the organization a school as described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? If "Yes," complete Schedule E 48
49a Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization? 49a
b If "Yes," was the related organization a section 527 organization? 49b

Table with 5 columns: (a) Name and title of each employee, (b) Average hours per week devoted to position, (c) Reportable compensation (Forms W-2/1099-MISC), (d) Health benefits, contributions to employee benefit plans, and deferred compensation, (e) Estimated amount of other compensation.

f Total number of other employees paid over \$100,000

51 Complete this table for the organization's five highest compensated independent contractors who each received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization. If there is none, enter "None."

Table with 3 columns: (a) Name and business address of each independent contractor, (b) Type of service, (c) Compensation.

d Total number of other independent contractors each receiving over \$100,000.

52 Did the organization complete Schedule A? NOTE. All Section 501(c)(3) organizations must attach a completed Schedule A Yes No

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 (*****), Date (2017-07-27), Type or print name and title (JAMES THOMAS HUDGINS JR. PRESIDENT)

Paid Preparer Use Only: Print/Type preparer's name (JODIE DOUGLASS AUSTIN), Preparer's signature, Date (2017-07-27), Check self-employed (checked), PTIN (P00177030), Firm's name (JODIE A DOUGLASS CPA INC), Firm's EIN (73-1532269), Firm's address (1505 N COMMERCE STE 202, ARDMORE, OK 734011859), Phone no (580) 223-5122

May the IRS discuss this return with the preparer shown above? See instructions Yes No

Additional Data

Software ID:
Software Version:
EIN: 73-1034242
Name: INDEPENDENT FINANCE INSTITUTE INC

Form 990EZ, Part III - Statement of Program Service Accomplishments

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28 GATHERING, INTERPRETING, AND DISSEMINATION OF INFORMATION TO MEMBERS AND THE PUBLIC (Grants \$) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here . . . <input type="checkbox"/>	28a	