

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

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

OMB No 1545-0047

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A For the 2016 calendar year, or tax year beginning 07/01/16, and ending 06/30/17

B Check if applicable

Address change
 Name change
 Initial return
 Final return/
terminated
 Amended return
 Application pending

C Name of organization	NEBRASKA STATEWIDE ARBORETUM, INC.		D Employer identification number
Doing business as			47-0600702
Number and street (or P O box if mail is not delivered to street address)		Room/suite	402-472-2971
P.O. BOX 830964			
City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code			
LINCOLN NE 68583-0964			G Gross receipts \$ 850,731
F Name and address of principal officer			H(a) Is this a group return for subordinates? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
CHRISTINA HOYT P.O. BOX 830964 LINCOLN NE 68583-0964			H(b) Are all subordinates included? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
			If "No," attach a list (see instructions)

I Tax-exempt status 501(c)(3) 501(c) () ◀ (insert no) 4947(a)(1) or 527 03**J Website** ► [HTTP://ARBORETUM.UNL.EDU](http://ARBORETUM.UNL.EDU)**H(c) Group exemption number** ►**K Form of organization** Corporation Trust Association Other ►**L Year of formation** **1978****M State of legal domicile** **NE****Part I Summary**

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

**SUSTAINABLE LANDSCAPES FOR HEALTHY HOMES AND COMMUNITIES THROUGH
INITIATIVES IN EDUCATION, COMMUNITY LANDSCAPES AND THE ENVIRONMENT.**

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)

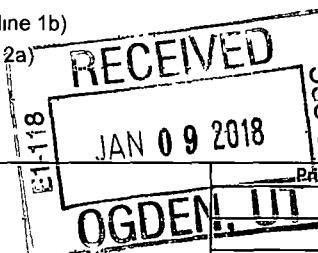
4 Number of independent voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1b)

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

6 Total number of volunteers (estimate if necessary)

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

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

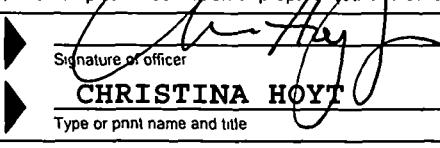
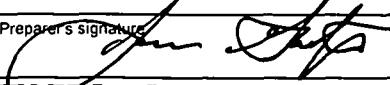


3	14
4	14
5	0
6	240
7a	8,270
7b	0

		Prior Year	Current Year
		109,435	555,464
8	Contributions and grants (Part VIII, line 1h)	237,208	266,463
9	Program service revenue (Part VIII, line 2g)	13,981	13,865
10	Investment income (Part VIII, column (A), lines 3, 4, and 7d)	19,444	14,939
11	Other revenue (Part VIII, column (A), lines 5, 6d, 8c, 9c, 10c, and 11e)	680,068	850,731
12	Total revenue – add lines 8 through 11 (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	283,123	166,419
13	Grants and similar amounts paid (Part IX, column (A), lines 1-3)	0	0
14	Benefits paid to or for members (Part IX, column (A), line 4)	358,628	428,225
15	Salaries, other compensation, employee benefits (Part IX, column (A), lines 5-10)	0	0
16a	Professional fundraising fees (Part IX, column (A), line 11e)	14,104	14,104
b	Total fundraising expenses (Part IX, column (D), line 25) ►	300,337	272,002
17	Other expenses (Part IX, column (A), lines 11a-11d, 11f-24e)	942,088	866,646
18	Total expenses Add lines 13-17 (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	-262,020	-15,915
19	Revenue less expenses Subtract line 18 from line 12	Beginning of Current Year	End of Year
20	Total assets (Part X, line 16)	587,948	697,548
21	Total liabilities (Part X, line 26)	66,262	116,931
22	Net assets or fund balances Subtract line 21 from line 20	521,686	580,617

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 CHRISTINA HOYT Type or print name and title	12/22/2017 Date
	EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR	
Paid Preparer Use Only	Prent/Type preparer's name THOMAS E. GRAFTON Firm's name ► GRAFTON & ASSOCIATES, P.C. Firm's address ► 5935 S. 56TH ST., SUITE A Firm's address ► LINCOLN, NE 68516	Preparer's signature  Date 12/11/17 Check <input type="checkbox"/> if self-employed PTIN P00282660 Firm's EIN ► 47-0760951 Phone no 402-486-3600

May the IRS discuss this return with the preparer shown above? (see instructions)

 Yes NoFor Paperwork Reduction Act Notice, see the separate Instructions
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Part III Statement of Program Service AccomplishmentsCheck if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part III

1 Briefly describe the organization's mission

SUSTAINABLE LANDSCAPES FOR HEALTHY HOMES AND COMMUNITIES THROUGH INITIATIVES IN EDUCATION, COMMUNITY LANDSCAPES AND THE 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 \$ 395,737 including grants of \$ 166,419) (Revenue \$)

COMMUNITY LANDSCAPE PROGRAM: ADMINISTERED THE COMMUNITY ENHANCEMENT PROGRAM FOR THE NE FOREST SERVICE. CONDUCTED TREE AND LANDSCAPE MAINTENANCE WORKSHOPS FOR PUBLIC LANDSCAPE MANAGERS. ADMINISTERED GRANTS FROM THE NEBRASKA ENVIRONMENTAL TRUST, PROVIDING AID IN THE PLANTING OF LARGE-GROWING SHADE TREES AND IMPROVING THE DIVERSITY OF TREE SPECIES IN COMMUNITIES. PROVIDED ASSISTANCE AND DESIGN SERVICES FOR COMMUNITY LANDSCAPE PROJECTS THROUGHOUT NEBRASKA.

4b (Code) (Expenses \$ 152,645 including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)

HORTICULTURE PROGRAM: ENCOURAGED THE INTRODUCTION AND CONSERVATION OF PLANT SPECIES THROUGH RESEARCH AND DISTRIBUTION OF PLANT MATERIALS TO THE PUBLIC. THE GREAT PLANTS PROGRAM IS A COOPERATIVE EFFORT WITH LOCAL NURSERIES TO DEVELOP AND PROMOTE PLANT SPECIES THAT ARE ADAPTED TO THE GREAT PLAINS.

4c (Code) (Expenses \$ 175,878 including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)

MEMBERSHIP AND AFFILIATE SITE PROGRAMS: PROVIDED PUBLICATIONS, EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS AND SPECIAL EVENTS TO MEMBERS. PROVIDED AFFILIATED ARBORETA SITES WITH SUPPORT AND RECOGNITION.

4d Other program services (Describe in Schedule O)

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

4e Total program service expenses ► 724,260

Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules

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

Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules (continued)

		Yes	No
20a	Did the organization operate one or more hospital facilities? If "Yes," complete Schedule H		X
b	If "Yes" to line 20a, did the organization attach a copy of its audited financial statements to this return?		
21	Did the organization report more than \$5,000 of grants or other assistance to any domestic organization or domestic government on Part IX, column (A), line 1? If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and II		
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? If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and III		X
23	Did the organization answer "Yes" to Part VII, Section A, line 3, 4, or 5 about compensation of the organization's current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, and highest compensated employees? If "Yes," complete Schedule J		X
24a	Did the organization have a tax-exempt bond issue with an outstanding principal amount of more than \$100,000 as of the last day of the year, that was issued after December 31, 2002? If "Yes," answer lines 24b through 24d and complete Schedule K. If "No," go to line 25a		
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? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I		X
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? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I		
26	Did the organization report any amount on Part X, line 5, 6, or 22 for receivables from or payables to any current or former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, highest compensated employees, or disqualified persons? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part II		X
27	Did the organization provide a grant or other assistance to an officer, director, trustee, key employee, substantial contributor or employee thereof, a grant selection committee member, or to a 35% controlled entity or family member of any of these persons? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part III		X
28	Was the organization a party to a business transaction with one of the following parties (see Schedule L, Part IV instructions for applicable filing thresholds, conditions, and exceptions).		
a	A current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV		X
b	A family member of a current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV		X
c	An entity of which a current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee (or a family member thereof) was an officer, director, trustee, or direct or indirect owner? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV		
29	Did the organization receive more than \$25,000 in non-cash contributions? If "Yes," complete Schedule M		X
30	Did the organization receive contributions of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets, or qualified conservation contributions? If "Yes," complete Schedule M		X
31	Did the organization liquidate, terminate, or dissolve and cease operations? If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part I		X
32	Did the organization sell, exchange, dispose of, or transfer more than 25% of its net assets? If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part II		X
33	Did the organization own 100% of an entity disregarded as separate from the organization under Regulations sections 301 7701-2 and 301 7701-3? If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part I		X
34	Was the organization related to any tax-exempt or taxable entity? If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Parts II, III, or IV, and Part V, line 1		
35a	Did the organization have a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)?		X
b	If "Yes" to line 35a, did the organization receive any payment from or engage in any transaction with a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2		
36	Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization? If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2		
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? If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part VI		
38	Did the organization complete Schedule O and provide explanations in Schedule O for Part VI, lines 11b and 19? Note. All Form 990 filers are required to complete Schedule O		X

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

1a Enter the number reported in Box 3 of Form 1096. Enter -0- if not applicable
 1b Enter the number of Forms W-2G included in line 1a. Enter -0- if not applicable
 c Did the organization comply with backup withholding rules for reportable payments to vendors and reportable gaming (gambling) winnings to prize winners?

1a 0
1b 0**Yes** **No**

1c

2a Enter the number of employees reported on Form W-3, Transmittal of Wage and Tax Statements, filed for the calendar year ending with or within the year covered by this return
 b If at least one is reported on line 2a, did the organization file all required federal employment tax returns?
 Note. If the sum of lines 1a and 2a is greater than 250, you may be required to e-file (see instructions)

2a 0

2b

3a Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year?
 b If "Yes," has it filed a Form 990-T for this year? If "No" to line 3b, provide an explanation in Schedule O

3a
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)?
 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)

4a

5a Was the organization a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction at any time during the tax year?
 b Did any taxable party notify the organization that it was or is a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction?
 c If "Yes" to line 5a or 5b, did the organization file Form 8886-T?

5a
5b
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?
 b If "Yes," did the organization include with every solicitation an express statement that such contributions or gifts were not tax deductible?

6a
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?
 b If "Yes," did the organization notify the donor of the value of the goods or services provided?
 c Did the organization sell, exchange, or otherwise dispose of tangible personal property for which it was required to file Form 8282?
 d If "Yes," indicate the number of Forms 8282 filed during the year

7d

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7b7c
7e
7f
7g
7h

7e Did the organization receive any funds, directly or indirectly, to pay premiums on a personal benefit contract?
 f Did the organization, during the year, pay premiums, directly or indirectly, on a personal benefit contract?
 g If the organization received a contribution of qualified intellectual property, did the organization file Form 8899 as required?
 h If the organization received a contribution of cars, boats, airplanes, or other vehicles, did the organization file a Form 1098-C?

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8 Sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds. Did a donor advised fund maintained by the sponsoring organization have excess business holdings at any time during the year?

9 Sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds.

a Did the sponsoring organization make any taxable distributions under section 4966?
 b Did the sponsoring organization make a distribution to a donor, donor advisor, or related person?

9a
9b**10 Section 501(c)(7) organizations. Enter.**

a Initiation fees and capital contributions included on Part VIII, line 12
 b Gross receipts, included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, for public use of club facilities

10a
10b**11 Section 501(c)(12) organizations. Enter:**

a Gross income from members or shareholders
 b Gross income from other sources (Do not net amounts due or paid to other sources against amounts due or received from them.)

11a
11b**12a Section 4947(a)(1) non-exempt charitable trusts.** Is the organization filing Form 990 in lieu of Form 1041?

b If "Yes," enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the year

12a
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?

13a

Note. See the instructions for additional information the organization must report on Schedule O

b Enter the amount of reserves the organization is required to maintain by the states in which the organization is licensed to issue qualified health plans

13b
13c

c Enter the amount of reserves on hand

14a Did the organization receive any payments for indoor tanning services during the tax year?

b If "Yes," has it filed a Form 720 to report these payments? If "No," provide an explanation in Schedule O

14a
14b

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

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

Section A. Governing Body and Management

		Yes	No
1a	Enter the number of voting members of the governing body at the end of the tax year If there are material differences in voting rights among members of the governing body, or if the governing body delegated broad authority to an executive committee or similar committee, explain in Schedule O	1a 14	
1b		1b 14	
2		2	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
3		3	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
4		4	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
5		5	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
6		6	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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?	7a	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
b	Are any governance decisions of the organization reserved to (or subject to approval by) members, stockholders, or persons other than the governing body?	7b	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
8	Did the organization contemporaneously document the meetings held or written actions undertaken during the year by the following:	8a	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
a	The governing body?	8b	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
b	Each committee with authority to act on behalf of the governing body?		
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	9	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

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

Section C. Disclosure

17 List the states with which a copy of this Form 990 is required to be filed ► **None**

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

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

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

20 State the name, address, and telephone number of the person who possesses the organization's books and records ►

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NE 68583

402-472-2971

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

 Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part VII
Section A Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees

1a Complete this table for all persons required to be listed. Report compensation for the calendar year ending with or within the organization's tax year.

- List all of the organization's **current** officers, directors, trustees (whether individuals or organizations), regardless of amount of compensation. Enter -0- in columns (D), (E), and (F) if no compensation was paid.
- List all of the organization's **current** key employees, if any. See instructions for definition of "key employee".
- List the organization's five **current** highest compensated employees (other than an officer, director, trustee, or key employee) who received reportable compensation (Box 5 of Form W-2 and/or Box 7 of Form 1099-MISC) of more than \$100,000 from the organization and any related organizations.
- List all of the organization's **former** officers, key employees, and highest compensated employees who received more than \$100,000 of reportable compensation from the organization and any related organizations.
- List all of the organization's **former directors or trustees** that received, in the capacity as a former director or trustee of the organization, more than \$10,000 of reportable compensation from the organization and any related organizations.

List persons in the following order: individual trustees or directors; institutional trustees, officers, key employees, highest compensated employees, and former such persons.

Check this box if neither the organization nor any related organization compensated any current officer, director, or trustee.

(A) Name and Title	(B) Average hours per week (list any hours for related organizations below dotted line)	(C) Position (do not check more than one box, unless person is both an officer and a director/trustee)						(D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W-2/1099-MISC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W-2/1099-MISC)	(F) Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations
		Individual trustee or director	Institutional trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated	Former			
(1) M. J. HART PRESIDENT	1.50 0.00	X		X				0	0	0
(2) NANCE HARRIS SECRETARY	1.50 0.00	X		X				0	0	0
(3) JEFF SHIMEK TREASURER	1.50 0.00	X		X				0	0	0
(4) JAMES F. NISSEN MEMBER	1.50 0.00	X						0	0	0
(5) ALAN WEISS MEMBER	1.50 0.00	X						0	0	0
(6) BOB BRANDT MEMBER	1.50 0.00	X						0	0	0
(7) MARDY REDMAN MEMBER	1.50 0.00	X						0	0	0
(8) ANNIE FOLCK MEMBER	1.50 0.00	X						0	0	0
(9) BRYAN LUBECK MEMBER	1.50 0.00	X						0	0	0
(10) WANDA KELLY MEMBER	1.50 0.00	X						0	0	0
(11) JO SEILER MEMBER	1.50 0.00	X						0	0	0

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
		Former or director or director Individual trustee	Institutional trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee				
(12) ROCKY STEINBRINK MEMBER	1.50 0.00	X						0	0	0
(13) LORI WEILER MEMBER	1.50 0.00	X						0	0	0
(14) KATHY CATES MOORE MEMBER	1.50 0.00	X						0	0	0
(15) CHRISTINA HOYT EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR	40.00 0.00		X					0	62,696	4,445
1b Sub-total							►	62,696		4,445
c Total from continuation sheets to Part VII, Section A							►			
d Total (add lines 1b and 1c)							►	62,696		4,445
2 Total number of individuals (including but not limited to those listed above) who received more than \$100,000 of reportable compensation from the organization ► 0										
3 Did the organization list any former officer, director, or trustee, key employee, or highest compensated employee on line 1a? If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual									Yes	No
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? If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual									3	X
5 Did any person listed on line 1a receive or accrue compensation from any unrelated organization or individual for services rendered to the organization? If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such person									4	X
									5	X

Section B. Independent Contractors

1 Complete this table for your five highest compensated independent contractors that received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization. Report compensation for the calendar year ending with or within the organization's tax year

(A) Name and business address	(B) Description of services	(C) Compensation
2 Total number of independent contractors (including but not limited to those listed above) who received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization ►		0

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

		(A) Total revenue	(B) Related or exempt function revenue	(C) Unrelated business revenue	(D) Revenue excluded from tax under sections 512-514
Contributions, Gifts, Grants and Other Similar Amounts					
1a Federated campaigns	1a				
b Membership dues	1b	65,445			
c Fundraising events	1c				
d Related organizations	1d				
e Government grants (contributions)	1e	364,693			
f All other contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts not included above	1f	125,326			
g Noncash contributions included in lines 1a-1f		\$			
h Total. Add lines 1a-1f		► 555,464			
Program Service Revenue					
	Busn Code				
2a PLANT SALES	111000	230,442	230,442		
b SPECIAL EVENT	111000	21,162	21,162		
c AFFILIATE SITE PROGRAM FEES	111000	14,859	14,859		
d					
e					
f All other program service revenue					
g Total. Add lines 2a-2f		► 266,463			
Other Revenue					
3 Investment income (including dividends, interest, and other similar amounts)		► 13,865	13,865		
4 Income from investment of tax-exempt bond proceeds		►			
5 Royalties		► 2,783	2,783		
6a Gross rents	(i) Real	(ii) Personal			
b Less rental exps					
c Rental inc or (loss)					
d Net rental income or (loss)		►			
7a Gross amount from sales of assets other than inventory	(i) Securities	(ii) Other			
b Less cost or other basis & sales exps					
c Gain or (loss)					
d Net gain or (loss)		►			
8a Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ of contributions reported on line 1c)					
See Part IV, line 18	a				
b Less direct expenses	b				
c Net income or (loss) from fundraising events		►			
9a Gross income from gaming activities					
See Part IV, line 19	a				
b Less direct expenses	b				
c Net income or (loss) from gaming activities		►			
10a Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances	a				
b Less cost of goods sold	b				
c Net income or (loss) from sales of inventory		►			
Miscellaneous Revenue	Busn. Code				
11a ADVERTISING INCOME	511120	8,952	682	8,270	
b OTHER INCOME	111000	3,204	3,204		
c					
d All other revenue					
e Total. Add lines 11a-11d		► 12,156			
12 Total revenue. See instructions		► 850,731	286,997	8,270	0

Part IX Statement of Functional Expenses

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

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

Do not include amounts reported on lines 6b, 7b, 8b, 9b, and 10b of Part VIII.	(A) Total expenses	(B) Program service expenses	(C) Management and general expenses	(D) Fundraising expenses
1 Grants and other assistance to domestic organizations and domestic governments See Part IV, line 21	166,419	166,419		
2 Grants and other assistance to domestic individuals See Part IV, line 22				
3 Grants and other assistance to foreign organizations, foreign governments, and foreign individuals See Part IV, lines 15 and 16				
4 Benefits paid to or for members				
5 Compensation of current officers, directors, trustees, and key employees	74,016	5,859	68,157	
6 Compensation not included above, to disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)) and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B)				
7 Other salaries and wages	264,140	251,922	12,218	
8 Pension plan accruals and contributions (include section 401(k) and 403(b) employer contributions)	16,301	15,696	605	
9 Other employee benefits	49,675	42,408	5,034	2,233
10 Payroll taxes	24,093	18,832	2,214	3,047
11 Fees for services (non-employees)				
a Management				
b Legal				
c Accounting	10,597	3,000	7,597	
d Lobbying				
e Professional fundraising services See Part IV, line 17				
f Investment management fees				
g Other (If line 11g amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A) amount, list line 11g expenses on Schedule O)	10,845	7,350	2,010	1,485
12 Advertising and promotion	-2,994	-2,999		5
13 Office expenses	31,557	23,996	5,572	1,989
14 Information technology	2,874	160	2,714	
15 Royalties				
16 Occupancy	57,640	50,202	3,131	4,307
17 Travel	14,120	13,664	76	380
18 Payments of travel or entertainment expenses for any federal, state, or local public officials				
19 Conferences, conventions, and meetings				
20 Interest				
21 Payments to affiliates				
22 Depreciation, depletion, and amortization	2,088		2,088	
23 Insurance	4,625		4,625	
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 PROGRAM SUPPLIES	86,989	84,791	2,069	129
b RENTAL SPACE AND EQUIP	12,277	12,277		
c MEAL EXPENSE	11,904	10,238	1,137	529
d READERSHIP COSTS	9,527	9,527		
e All other expenses	19,953	10,917	9,036	
25 Total functional expenses. Add lines 1 through 24e	866,646	724,259	128,283	14,104
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 ► <input type="checkbox"/> if following SOP 98-2 (ASC 958-720)				

Part X Balance Sheet

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

		(A) Beginning of year		(B) End of year
Assets	1 Cash—non-interest bearing		1	
	2 Savings and temporary cash investments	217,904	2	292,522
	3 Pledges and grants receivable, net	18,546	3	35,741
	4 Accounts receivable, net	17,438	4	17,172
	5 Loans and other receivables from current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, and highest compensated employees Complete Part II of Schedule L		5	
	6 Loans and other receivables from other disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)), persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B), and contributing employers and sponsoring organizations of section 501(c)(9) voluntary employees' beneficiary organizations (see instructions) Complete Part II of Schedule L		6	
	7 Notes and loans receivable, net		7	
	8 Inventories for sale or use	18,439	8	21,387
	9 Prepaid expenses and deferred charges	5,034	9	3,946
	10a Land, buildings, and equipment cost or other basis Complete Part VI of Schedule D	33,167		
	b Less accumulated depreciation	28,733	6,522	10c 4,434
	11 Investments—publicly traded securities		11	
	12 Investments—other securities See Part IV, line 11		12	
	13 Investments—program-related See Part IV, line 11		13	
	14 Intangible assets		14	
	15 Other assets See Part IV, line 11	304,065	15	322,346
	16 Total assets. Add lines 1 through 15 (must equal line 34)	587,948	16	697,548
Liabilities	17 Accounts payable and accrued expenses	66,262	17	116,931
	18 Grants payable		18	
	19 Deferred revenue		19	
	20 Tax-exempt bond liabilities		20	
	21 Escrow or custodial account liability Complete Part IV of Schedule D		21	
	22 Loans and other payables to current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, highest compensated employees, and disqualified persons Complete Part II of Schedule L		22	
	23 Secured mortgages and notes payable to unrelated third parties		23	
	24 Unsecured notes and loans payable to unrelated third parties		24	
	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		25	
	26 Total liabilities. Add lines 17 through 25	66,262	26	116,931
Net Assets or Fund Balances	Organizations that follow SFAS 117 (ASC 958), check here ► <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 27 through 29, and lines 33 and 34.			
	27 Unrestricted net assets	79,003	27	92,127
	28 Temporarily restricted net assets	184,357	28	214,464
	29 Permanently restricted net assets	258,326	29	274,026
	Organizations that do not follow SFAS 117 (ASC 958), check here ► <input type="checkbox"/> 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	521,686	33	580,617
	34 Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances	587,948	34	697,548

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	850,731
2 Total expenses (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	2	866,646
3 Revenue less expenses Subtract line 2 from line 1	3	-15,915
4 Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (must equal Part X, line 33, column (A))	4	521,686
5 Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	5	17,206
6 Donated services and use of facilities	6	57,640
7 Investment expenses	7	
8 Prior period adjustments	8	
9 Other changes in net assets or fund balances (explain in Schedule O)	9	
10 Net assets or fund balances at end of year Combine lines 3 through 9 (must equal Part X, line 33, column (B))	10	580,617

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 <input type="checkbox"/> Cash <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Accrual <input type="checkbox"/> 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 <input type="checkbox"/> Separate basis <input type="checkbox"/> Consolidated basis <input type="checkbox"/> Both consolidated and separate basis	2a	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
2b 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. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Separate basis <input type="checkbox"/> Consolidated basis <input type="checkbox"/> Both consolidated and separate basis	2b	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
2c 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	2c	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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?	3a	
3b 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	3b	

SCHEDULE A
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

 Department of the Treasury
 Internal Revenue Service

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

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Name of the organization

NEBRASKA STATEWIDE ARBORETUM, INC.

Employer identification number

47-0600702
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)

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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) [Redacted]

(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		
(A)						
(B)						
(C)						
(D)						
(E)						
Total						

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Schedule A (Form 990 or 990-EZ) 2016

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")	594,552	731,597	507,513	409,435	555,464	2,798,561
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	252,122	261,579	255,293	262,049	266,464	1,297,507
3 Gross receipts from activities that are not an unrelated trade or business under section 513						
4 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf						
5 The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge						
6 Total. Add lines 1 through 5	846,674	993,176	762,806	671,484	821,928	4,096,068
7a Amounts included on lines 1, 2, and 3 received from disqualified persons						
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						
c Add lines 7a and 7b						
8 Public support. (Subtract line 7c from line 6)						4,096,068

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	846,674	993,176	762,806	671,484	821,928	4,096,068
10a Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources						
	12,615	11,866				24,481
b Unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 taxes) from businesses acquired after June 30, 1975						
	12,615	11,866				24,481
c Add lines 10a and 10b						
11 Net income from unrelated business activities not included in line 10b, whether or not the business is regularly carried on						
12 Other income Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part VI)						
13 Total support. (Add lines 9, 10c, 11, and 12)	859,289	1,005,042	762,806	671,484	821,928	4,120,549

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	99.41 %
16 Public support percentage from 2015 Schedule A, Part III, line 15	16	99.03 %

Section D. Computation of Investment Income Percentage

17 Investment income percentage for 2016 (line 10c, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f))	17	1 %
18 Investment income percentage from 2015 Schedule A, Part III, line 17	18	1 %
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 ► <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
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 ► <input type="checkbox"/>		
20 Private foundation. If the organization did not check a box on line 14, 19a, or 19b, check this box and see instructions ► <input type="checkbox"/>		

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.

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NEBRASKA STATEWIDE ARBORETUM, INC.**47-0600702****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?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> 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?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> 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)	<input type="checkbox"/> Preservation of land for public use (e.g., recreation or education)	<input type="checkbox"/> Preservation of a historically important land area
	<input type="checkbox"/> Protection of natural habitat	<input type="checkbox"/> Preservation of a certified historic structure
	<input type="checkbox"/> 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	2a	
b Total acreage restricted by conservation easements	2b	
c Number of conservation easements on a certified historic structure included in (a)	2c	
d Number of conservation easements included in (c) acquired after 8/17/06, and not on a historic structure listed in the National Register	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?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> 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)?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> 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	► \$

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 <input type="checkbox"/> Public exhibition	d <input type="checkbox"/> Loan or exchange programs
b <input type="checkbox"/> Scholarly research	e <input type="checkbox"/> Other
c <input type="checkbox"/> Preservation for future generations	

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

	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 on 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					
b Contributions					
c Net investment earnings, gains, and losses					
d Grants or scholarships					
e Other expenditures for facilities and programs					
f Administrative expenses					
g End of year balance					

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 ► %

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

	Yes	No
3a(i)		
3a(ii)		
3b		

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

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				
b Buildings				
c Leasehold improvements				
d Equipment	33,167		28,733	4,434
e Other				

Total. Add lines 1a through 1e (Column (d) must equal Form 990, Part X, column (B), line 10c.) ►

4,434

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) PERMANENT ENDOWMENT FUNDS HELD	322,346
(2)	
(3)	
(4)	
(5)	
(6)	
(7)	
(8)	
(9)	

Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col. (B) line 15) ►

322,346

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.

(a) Description of liability	(b) Book value	
(1) Federal income taxes		
(2)		
(3)		
(4)		
(5)		
(6)		
(7)		
(8)		
(9)		

Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col. (B) line 25.) ►

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

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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	925,578
2 Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12		
a Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	2a	17,206
b Donated services and use of facilities	2b	57,640
c Recoveries of prior year grants	2c	
d Other (Describe in Part XIII)	2d	
e Add lines 2a through 2d	2e	74,846
3 Subtract line 2e from line 1	3	850,732
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	
b Other (Describe in Part XIII)	4b	
c Add lines 4a and 4b	4c	
5 Total revenue. Add lines 3 and 4c. (This must equal Form 990, Part I, line 12)	5	850,732

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	866,647
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	866,647
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	
b Other (Describe in Part XIII)	4b	
c Add lines 4a and 4b	4c	
5 Total expenses Add lines 3 and 4c. (This must equal Form 990, Part I, line 18.)	5	866,647

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

SCHEDULE I
(Form 990)

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Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Name of the organization

NEBRASKA STATEWIDE ARBORETUM, INC.
**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.Employer identification number
47-0600702**Part I General Information on Grants and Assistance**

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

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

1	1	(a) Name and address of organization or government	(b) EIN	(c) IRC section (if applicable)	(d) Amount of cash grant	(e) Amount of non-cash assistance	(f) Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other)	(g) Description of noncash assistance	(h) Purpose of grant or assistance
(1)	(1)	GRAND ISLAND SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL 5801 S 84TH ST GRAND ISLAND NE 68803	47-6003169	GOV	5,156		CASH		
(2)	(2)	KEARNEY PUBLIC SCHOOLS 320 W 24TH ST KEARNEY NE 68845	47-6001393	GOV	25,789		CASH		
(3)	(3)	COLUMBUS PUBLIC SCHOOLS PO BOX 947 COLUMBUS NE 68601	47-6004811	GOV	20,000		CASH		
(4)	(4)	MEAD PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT 115 N ELM ST MEAD NE 68041	47-6005256	GOV	6,500		CASH		
(5)	(5)	MILFORD PUBLIC SCHOOLS 1200 W 1ST ST MILFORD NE 68405	05-0620831	GOV	15,000		CASH		
(6)	(6)	EDUCATIONAL SERVICES UNIT #13 1114 TOLEDO ST SIDNEY NE 69162	47-0498451	GOV	10,000		CASH		
(7)	(7)								
(8)	(8)								
(9)	(9)								

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

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

► 6

► 0

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

Part III can be duplicated if additional space is needed.

(a) Type of grant or assistance	(b) Number of recipients	(c) Amount of cash grant	(d) Amount of noncash assistance	(e) Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other)	(f) Description of noncash assistance
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.**Part I, Line 2 - Procedures for Monitoring the Use of Grant Funds****PROCEDURES FOR MONITORING THE USE OF GRANT FUNDS.**

COMMUNITY LANDSCAPE GRANT PROPOSALS ARE EVALUATED AND AWARDED BY THE
 ORGANIZATION. PROJECTS ARE MONITORED BY SITE VISITS AND DOCUMENTATION OF
 EXPENDITURES AND MATCHING FUNDS WHICH ARE REQUIRED TO BE SUBMITTED BY THE
 GRANTEE BEFORE GRANT FUNDS ARE DISBURSED.

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(Form 990 or 990-EZ)Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service**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.

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47-0600702**Form 990, Part V - Additional Information****LINE 2A - FORMS W-2 AND W-3****Form 990, Part VI, Line 1a - Authority Delegated to Committee Explanation**

THE FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THE BOARD ACCEPTS A PARTICULAR AUDIT PROPOSAL AND THE BOARD VOTES TO GIVE THE BOARD PRESIDENT PERMISSION TO SIGN THE PROPOSAL. UPON ITS COMPLETION, THE FINANCE COMMITTEE REVIEWS AND APPROVES THE AUDIT.

Form 990, Part VI, Line 11b - Organization's Process to Review Form 990

THE BOARD'S FINANCE COMMITTEE IS PROVIDED A COPY BEFORE FILING, UNLESS A COPY IS REQUESTED BY ANOTHER BOARD MEMBER, IN WHICH CASE, IT WILL BE PROVIDED.

Form 990, Part VI, Line 15a - Compensation Process for Top Official

UPON HIRE, COMPENSATION IS SET BY THE UNIVERSITY BASED ON THE POSITION'S JOB DESCRIPTION. EMPLOYEES MAY BE RECLASSIFIED THROUGH A PROCESS THROUGH THE UNIVERSITY WHICH MAY TAKE UP TO A YEAR. ANNUAL INCREASES ARE ALSO DETERMINED BY THE UNIVERSITY'S BUDGET. NO OUTSIDE COMPENSATION IS GIVEN TO EMPLOYEES.

Form 990, Part VI, Line 19 - Governing Documents Disclosure Explanation

GOVERNING DOCUMENTS ARE HOUSED IN THE ORGANIZATION'S OFFICE, AND AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST. BOARD MINUTES ARE AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST, AND THE PUBLIC IS WELCOME TO ATTEND THE MEETINGS.