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Form **990-EZ**

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)

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▶ Information about Form 990-EZ and its instructions is at www.irs.gov/form990.

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A For the 2016 calendar year, or tax year beginning 07/01 , 2016, and ending 06/30 , 2017

B Check if applicable.
- ☐ Address change
- ☐ Name change
- ☐ Initial return
- ☐ Final return
- ☐ Amended return
- ☐ Application pend.

C
Lafayette County Farm Bureau, Inc.
PO Box 336
Mayo, FL 32066-0336

D Employer identification no.
59-1085328

E Telephone number
(386)294-1399

F Group Exemption Number ▶1805

G Accounting method: ☒ Cash ☐ Accrual Other (specify) ▶

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

I Website: ▶N/A

J Tax-exempt status (check only one) - ☐ 501(c)(3) ☒ 501(c)(5) ◀(insert no.) ☐ 4947(a)(1) or ☐ 527

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, line 25, column (B) below) are $500,000 or more, file Form 990 instead of Form 990-EZ ▶$ 88,919.

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	
	2	Program service revenue including government fees and contracts		2	150.
	3	Membership dues and assessments		3	25,893.
	4	Investment income		4	478.
	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 exceed $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	4,001.	
	b	Less: cost of goods sold	7b	3,428.	
	c	Gross profit or (loss) from sales of inventory (Subtract line 7b from line 7a)		7c	573.
	8	Other revenue (describe in Schedule O)		8	58,397.
	9	**Total revenue** Add lines 1, 2, 3, 4, 5c, 6d, 7c, and 8 ▶		9	85,491.
EXPENSES	10	Grants and similar amounts paid (list in Schedule O)		10	17,692.
	11	Benefits paid to or for members		11	
	12	Salaries, other compensation, and employee benefits		12	37,046.
	13	Professional fees and other payments to independent contractors		13	
	14	Occupancy, rent, utilities, and maintenance		14	10,542.
	15	Printing, publications, postage, and shipping		15	1,418.
	16	Other expenses (describe in Schedule O)		16	10,995.
	17	**Total expenses** Add lines 10 through 16 ▶		17	77,693.
NET ASSETS	18	Excess or (deficit) for the year (Subtract line 17 from line 9)		18	7,798.
	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	323,700.
	20	Other changes in net assets or fund balances (explain in Schedule O)		20	-670.
	21	Net assets or fund balances at end of year. Combine lines 18 through 20 ▶		21	330,828.

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 X

		(A) Beginning of the year		(B) End of year
22	Cash, savings, and investments	279,565.	22	287,891.
23	Land and Buildings	43,737.	23	42,205.
24	Other assets (describe in Schedule O)	1,054.	24	1,627.
25	**Total assets**	324,356.	25	331,723.
26	**Total liabilities** (describe in Schedule O)	656.	26	895.
27	**Net assets or fund balances** (line 27 of column (B) **must** agree with line 21)	323,700.	27	330,828.

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 X

Expenses (Required for section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations; optional for others.)

What is the organization's primary exempt purpose? Education Information Economic

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, or other relevant information for each program title.

28 SEE SCHEDULE O

(Grants $) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here ▶ ☐ 28a

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(Grants $) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here ▶ ☐ 29a

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(Grants $) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here ▶ ☐ 30a

31 Other program services (attach schedule)

(Grants $) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here ▶ ☐ 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 (If not paid, enter -0-)	(d) Health benefits, contributions to employee benefit plans, and deferred compensation	(e) Estimated amount of other compensation
Rodney R Land President	6	0.	0.	0.
Jonathan S Barrington VP	2	0.	0.	0.
Everett Kerby Sec/Treas	4	0.	0.	0.
Sidney C Koon Director	2	0.	0.	0.
Jason T Land Director	2	0.	0.	0.
Christopher Lyons Director	2	0.	0.	0.
Michael K Shaw Director	2	0.	0.	0.
William D Shaw Director	2	0.	0.	0.
Ryan Sullivan Director	2	0.	0.	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 X

			Yes	No
33	Did the organization engage in any activity not previously reported to the IRS? If "Yes," provide a detailed description of each activity in Schedule O	33		
34	Were any significant changes made to the organizing or governing documents? If "Yes," attach a conformed copy of the amended documents if they reflect a change to the organization's name. Otherwise, explain the change on Schedule O (see instructions)	34		X
35 a	Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of $1,000 or more during the year from business activities (such as those reported on line 2, 6a, and 7a, among others)?	35a	X	
b	If "Yes," to line 35a, has the organization filed a Form 990-T for the year? If "No," provide an explanation in Schedule O	35b	X	
c	Was the organization a section 501(c)(4), 501(c)(5), or 501(c)(6) organization subject to section 6033(e) notice, reporting, and proxy tax requirements during the year? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part III	35c		X
36	Did the organization undergo a liquidation, dissolution, termination, or significant disposition of net assets during the year? If "Yes," complete applicable parts of Schedule N	36		X
37 a	Enter amount of political expenditures direct or indirect, as described in the instructions. ▶ 37a 0			
b	Did the organization file **Form 1120-POL** for this year?	37b		X
38 a	Did the organization borrow from, or make any loans to, any officer, director, trustee, or key employee **or** were any such loans made in a prior year and still unpaid at the start of the period covered by this return?	38a		X
b	If "Yes," *complete Schedule L, Part II and enter the total amount involved* 38b			
39	Section 501(c)(7) organizations. Enter:			
a	Initiation fees and capital contributions included on line 9 39a			
b	Gross receipts, included on line 9, for public use of club facilities 39b			
40 a	Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Enter amount of tax imposed on the organization during the year under: section 4911 ▶ _____ ; section 4912 ▶ _____ ; section 4955 ▶ _____			
b	Section 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations Did the organization engage in any section 4958 excess benefit transaction during the year, or did it engage in an excess benefit transaction in a prior year that has not been reported on any of its prior Forms 990 or 900-EZ? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I	40b		
c	Section 501(c)(3) 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations Enter amount of tax imposed on organization managers or disqualified persons during the year under sections 4912, 4955, and 4958 ▶ _____			
d	Section 501(c)(3) 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations. Enter amount of tax on line 40c reimbursed by the organization ▶ _____			
e	All organizations. At any time during the tax year, was the organization a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction? If "Yes," complete Form 8886-T	40e		X

41 List the states with which a copy of this return is filed. ▶ Florida

42 a The organization's books are in care of ▶ Amy Croft Tel. no. ▶ 386-294-1399
Located at ▶ 874 E. Main Street , Mayo, FL ZIP + 4 ▶ 32066-0336

			Yes	No
b	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)?	42b		X
	If "Yes", enter the name of the foreign country: ▶ _____ See the instructions for exceptions and filing requirements for FinCEN Form 114, Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts (FBAR).			
c	At any time during the calendar year, did the organization maintain an office outside of the U.S.?	42c		X
	If "Yes", enter the name of the foreign country: ▶ _____			

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

			Yes	No
44a	Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds during the year ? If "Yes," Form 990 must be completed instead of Form 990-EZ	44a		X
b	Did the organization operate one or more hospital facilities during the year? If "Yes," Form 990 must be completed instead of Form 990-EZ	44b		X
c	Did the organization recieve any payments for indoor tanning services during the year?	44c		X
d	If "Yes" to line 44c, has the organization filed a Form 720 to report these payments? If "No," provide an explanation in Schedule O	44d		
45a	Did the organization have a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)?	45a		X
b	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," Form 990 and Schedule R may need to be completed instead of Form 990-EZ (see instr.)	45b		X

			Yes	No
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		X

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 ☐

			Yes	No
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 operating a school as described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? If "Yes," complete Schedule E	48		
49 a	Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization?	49a		
b	If "Yes," was the related organization(s) a section 527 organization?	49b		

50 Complete this table for the five highest compensated employees (other than officers, directors, trustees and key employees) who each received more than $100,000 of compensation from the organization. If there is none, enter "None."

(a) Name and title of each employee	(b) Average hours per week devoted to position	(c) Reportable compensation from the organization (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 five highest compensated independent contractors who each received more than $100,000 of compensation from the organization. If there is none, enter "None."

(a) Name and 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 and 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts must attach a completed Schedule A ▶ ☐ Yes ☐ No

Sign Here

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.

X Rodney Land — Signature of officer — Date 11-9-17

Rodney Land President — Type or print name and title

Print preparer's name	Preparer's signature	Date	Check if self-employed ▶ ☐	PTIN

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Firm's name ▶ — Firm's EIN ▶

Firm's address ▶ — Phone no. ▶

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

Schedule O (Form 990 or 990-EZ)	Supplemental Information to Form 990 or 990-EZ	OMB No 1545-0047
Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service	Complete to provide information for responses to specific questions on Form 990 or 990-EZ or to provide any additional information. ▶ Attach to Form 990 or 990-EZ. ▶ Information about Schedule O (Form 990 or 990-EZ) and its instructions is at www.irs.gov/forms990.	2016 Open to Public Inspection

Name of the organization	Employer identification number
Lafayette County Farm Bureau, Inc.	59-1085328

Part I, Line 8 - Other Revenue

Service Fees	57,434.
Sales Tax	63.
Rent	900.
	58,397.

Part I, Line 10 - Expenses - Grants and similar amounts paid

Florida Farm Bureau Federation Dues	17,692.	
Totals:	17,692.	0.

Part I, Line 16 - Other Expenses

Description	Total
Office Expense	2,022.
Meeting & Travel	3,434.
Sales Tax	63.
Women's Expense	500.
Awards	125.
Employee Edu/Prof Develop	133.
Special Projects	1,907.
Federal Income Tax	2,059.
Promotional	752.
Totals:	10,995.

Part I, Line 20 - Other changes in net assets or fund balances

Unrealized Loss On Investment	-670.
	-670.

Part II, Line 24 - Other Assets

Inventory	1,627.
	1,627.

Name of the organization	Employer identification number
Lafayette County Farm Bureau, Inc.	59-1085328

Part II, Line 26 - Other Liabilities

Payroll Liabilities	895.
	895.

Page 2, Part III - Line 31, Other Program Services

Description

Line 28) Lafayette sponsored AgVenture Day for 100 elementary school students. We incorporated stations which focused on the importance of agricultural education. We included forestry, corn, poultry, dairy, beef, and peanuts. A mechanical cow provided a unique learning experience on proper milking techniques. Students received hands-on experience and learned the importance of agriculture and farming on a local, state, and national level.
Line 29) Lafayette county is involved in several programs throughout the school year to educate students and cultivate an appreciation for agriculture. Farm Tours allow students to observe first-hand the processes involved in producing various foods such as milk and cane syrup. Students visited a local dairy farm where they learned how to milk a cow and observed the process of cane grinding.
Line 30) A Lafayette elementary school teacher received a mini-grant which allowed students to plant fruit trees, perform experiments, observe and document the effects fertilizers, temperature, and organic pest control had on the trees. Students also recorded data on fruit yield, fruit quality, and tree height. Students learned about pollination and how to responsibly maintain the fruit orchards.