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Form **990-PF**

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Return of Private Foundation

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

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2017

Open to Public Inspection

For calendar year 2017, or tax year beginning 01-01-2017 , and ending 12-31-2017

Name of foundation
THE SPARKS FOUNDATION INC

A Employer identification number
20-0396160

Number and street (or P O box number if mail is not delivered to street address) 2600 MOCKINGBIRD LANE | Room/suite

B Telephone number (see instructions)
(432) 683-5203

City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code
MIDLAND, TX 79705

C If exemption application is pending, check here ▶ ☐

G Check all that apply ☐ Initial return ☐ Initial return of a former public charity ☐ Final return ☐ Amended return ☐ Address change ☐ Name change

D 1. Foreign organizations, check here ▶ ☐
2 Foreign organizations meeting the 85% test, check here and attach computation ▶ ☐

H Check type of organization ☑ Section 501(c)(3) exempt private foundation ☐ Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust ☐ Other taxable private foundation

E If private foundation status was terminated under section 507(b)(1)(A), check here ▶ ☐

I Fair market value of all assets at end of year *(from Part II, col (c), line 16)*▶$ 2,774,031

J Accounting method ☑ Cash ☐ Accrual ☐ Other (specify) ____
(Part I, column (d) must be on cash basis)

F If the foundation is in a 60-month termination under section 507(b)(1)(B), check here ▶ ☐

Part I **Analysis of Revenue and Expenses** *(The total of amounts in columns (b), (c), and (d) may not necessarily equal the amounts in column (a) (see instructions))*

			(a) Revenue and expenses per books	(b) Net investment income	(c) Adjusted net income	(d) Disbursements for charitable purposes (cash basis only)
Revenue	1	Contributions, gifts, grants, etc , received (attach schedule)	522,616			
	2	Check ▶ ☐ if the foundation is **not** required to attach Sch B				
	3	Interest on savings and temporary cash investments	556	556	556	
	4	Dividends and interest from securities	5,027	5,027	5,027	
	5a	Gross rents				
	b	Net rental income or (loss)				
	6a	Net gain or (loss) from sale of assets not on line 10	216,206			
	b	Gross sales price for all assets on line 6a 592,063				
	7	Capital gain net income (from Part IV, line 2)		216,206		
	8	Net short-term capital gain				
	9	Income modifications				
	10a	Gross sales less returns and allowances				
	b	Less Cost of goods sold				
	c	Gross profit or (loss) (attach schedule)				
	11	Other income (attach schedule)	66,544	115,891	66,544	
	12	**Total.** Add lines 1 through 11	810,949	337,680	72,127	
Operating and Administrative Expenses	13	Compensation of officers, directors, trustees, etc	0	0	0	0
	14	Other employee salaries and wages				
	15	Pension plans, employee benefits				
	16a	Legal fees (attach schedule)				
	b	Accounting fees (attach schedule)	4,907	0	0	0
	c	Other professional fees (attach schedule)	8,019	8,019	0	0
	17	Interest				
	18	Taxes (attach schedule) (see instructions)	240	0	0	0
	19	Depreciation (attach schedule) and depletion				
	20	Occupancy				
	21	Travel, conferences, and meetings				
	22	Printing and publications				
	23	Other expenses (attach schedule)	3,536	0	0	0
	24	**Total operating and administrative expenses.** Add lines 13 through 23	16,702	8,019	0	0
	25	Contributions, gifts, grants paid	115,005			115,005
	26	**Total expenses and disbursements.** Add lines 24 and 25	131,707	8,019	0	115,005
	27	Subtract line 26 from line 12				
	a	**Excess of revenue over expenses and disbursements**	679,242			
	b	**Net investment income** (if negative, enter -0-)		329,661		
	c	**Adjusted net income**(if negative, enter -0-)			72,127	

Part II Balance Sheets Attached schedules and amounts in the description column should be for end-of-year amounts only (See instructions)

			Beginning of year (a) Book Value	End of year (b) Book Value	(c) Fair Market Value
Assets	1	Cash—non-interest-bearing	712,507	660,267	660,267
	2	Savings and temporary cash investments			
	3	Accounts receivable ▶ Less allowance for doubtful accounts ▶			
	4	Pledges receivable ▶ Less allowance for doubtful accounts ▶			
	5	Grants receivable			
	6	Receivables due from officers, directors, trustees, and other disqualified persons (attach schedule) (see instructions)			
	7	Other notes and loans receivable (attach schedule) ▶ Less allowance for doubtful accounts ▶			
	8	Inventories for sale or use			
	9	Prepaid expenses and deferred charges			
	10a	Investments—U S and state government obligations (attach schedule)			
	b	Investments—corporate stock (attach schedule)	1,086,406	1,241,381	1,345,845
	c	Investments—corporate bonds (attach schedule)			
	11	Investments—land, buildings, and equipment basis ▶ Less accumulated depreciation (attach schedule) ▶			
	12	Investments—mortgage loans			
	13	Investments—other (attach schedule)	279,240	662,532	642,503
	14	Land, buildings, and equipment basis ▶ 125,416 Less accumulated depreciation (attach schedule) ▶	0	125,416	125,416
	15	Other assets (describe ▶)			
	16	**Total assets** (to be completed by all filers—see the instructions Also, see page 1, item I)	2,078,153	2,689,596	2,774,031
Liabilities	17	Accounts payable and accrued expenses			
	18	Grants payable			
	19	Deferred revenue			
	20	Loans from officers, directors, trustees, and other disqualified persons			
	21	Mortgages and other notes payable (attach schedule)			
	22	Other liabilities (describe ▶)	209,739	108,103	
	23	**Total liabilities**(add lines 17 through 22)	209,739	108,103	
Net Assets or Fund Balances		**Foundations that follow SFAS 117, check here ▶** ☐ **and complete lines 24 through 26 and lines 30 and 31.**			
	24	Unrestricted			
	25	Temporarily restricted			
	26	Permanently restricted			
		Foundations that do not follow SFAS 117, check here ▶ ☑ **and complete lines 27 through 31.**			
	27	Capital stock, trust principal, or current funds	0	0	
	28	Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, bldg , and equipment fund	0	0	
	29	Retained earnings, accumulated income, endowment, or other funds	1,868,414	2,581,493	
	30	**Total net assets or fund balances** (see instructions)	1,868,414	2,581,493	
	31	**Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances** (see instructions)	2,078,153	2,689,596	

Part III Analysis of Changes in Net Assets or Fund Balances

1	Total net assets or fund balances at beginning of year—Part II, column (a), line 30 (must agree with end-of-year figure reported on prior year's return)	1	1,868,414
2	Enter amount from Part I, line 27a	2	679,242
3	Other increases not included in line 2 (itemize) ▶	3	35,612
4	Add lines 1, 2, and 3	4	2,583,268
5	Decreases not included in line 2 (itemize) ▶	5	1,775
6	Total net assets or fund balances at end of year (line 4 minus line 5)—Part II, column (b), line 30	6	2,581,493

Part IV Capital Gains and Losses for Tax on Investment Income

	(a) List and describe the kind(s) of property sold (e g , real estate, 2-story brick warehouse, or common stock, 200 shs MLC Co)	(b) How acquired P—Purchase D—Donation	(c) Date acquired (mo , day, yr)	(d) Date sold (mo , day, yr)
1 a	NATIONAL FINANCIAL SERVICES LLC 657-084093		2017-01-01	2017-12-31
b	NATIONAL FINANCIAL SERVICES LLC 657-084093		2016-01-01	2017-12-31
c	K-1 INVESTMENTS - SECTION 1231		2016-01-01	2017-12-31
d	K-1 INVESTMENTS		2017-01-01	2017-12-31
e	GAIN ON DISPOSAL OF K-1		2016-01-01	2017-12-31

	(e) Gross sales price	(f) Depreciation allowed (or allowable)	(g) Cost or other basis plus expense of sale	(h) Gain or (loss) (e) plus (f) minus (g)
a	352,388		314,258	38,130
b	96,366		58,028	38,338
c	42,590			42,590
d			3,571	-3,571
e	100,719			100,719

Complete only for assets showing gain in column (h) and owned by the foundation on 12/31/69

	(i) F M V as of 12/31/69	(j) Adjusted basis as of 12/31/69	(k) Excess of col (i) over col (j), if any	(l) Gains (Col (h) gain minus col (k), but not less than -0-) **or** Losses (from col (h))
a				38,130
b				38,338
c				42,590
d				-3,571
e				100,719

2	Capital gain net income or (net capital loss) { If gain, also enter in Part I, line 7 If (loss), enter -0- in Part I, line 7 }	2	216,206
3	Net short-term capital gain or (loss) as defined in sections 1222(5) and (6) If gain, also enter in Part I, line 8, column (c) (see instructions) If (loss), enter -0- in Part I, line 8	3	34,559

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

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

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

Was the foundation liable for the section 4942 tax on the distributable amount of any year in the base period? ☐ Yes ☑ No

If "Yes," the foundation does not qualify under section 4940(e) Do not complete this part

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

(a) Base period years Calendar year (or tax year beginning in)	(b) Adjusted qualifying distributions	(c) Net value of noncharitable-use assets	(d) Distribution ratio (col (b) divided by col (c))
2016	70,583	1,138,566	0 061993
2015	127,173	49,925	2 547281
2014	149,245	1,074,260	0 138928
2013	89,742	1,837,128	0 048849
2012	0	1,003,970	0 000000

2	**Total** of line 1, column (d)	2	2 797051
3	Average distribution ratio for the 5-year base period—divide the total on line 2 by 5, or by the number of years the foundation has been in existence if less than 5 years	3	0 559410
4	Enter the net value of noncharitable-use assets for 2017 from Part X, line 5	4	2,181,691
5	Multiply line 4 by line 3	5	1,220,460
6	Enter 1% of net investment income (1% of Part I, line 27b)	6	3,297
7	Add lines 5 and 6	7	1,223,757
8	Enter qualifying distributions from Part XII, line 4	8	115,005

If line 8 is equal to or greater than line 7, check the box in Part VI, line 1b, and complete that part using a 1% tax rate See the Part VI instructions

Part VI Excise Tax Based on Investment Income (Section 4940(a), 4940(b), 4940(e), or 4948—see instructions)

1a	Exempt operating foundations described in section 4940(d)(2), check here ▶ ☐ and enter "N/A" on line 1 Date of ruling or determination letter ________ (attach copy of letter if necessary–see instructions)		
b	Domestic foundations that meet the section 4940(e) requirements in Part V, check here ▶ ☐ and enter 1% of Part I, line 27b	1	6,593
c	All other domestic foundations enter 2% of line 27b Exempt foreign organizations enter 4% of Part I, line 12, col (b)		
2	Tax under section 511 (domestic section 4947(a)(1) trusts and taxable foundations only Others enter -0-)	2	0
3	Add lines 1 and 2.	3	6,593
4	Subtitle A (income) tax (domestic section 4947(a)(1) trusts and taxable foundations only Others enter -0-)	4	0
5	**Tax based on investment income.** Subtract line 4 from line 3 If zero or less, enter -0-	5	6,593
6	Credits/Payments		
a	2017 estimated tax payments and 2016 overpayment credited to 2017 — 6a: 2,360		
b	Exempt foreign organizations—tax withheld at source — 6b:		
c	Tax paid with application for extension of time to file (Form 8868) — 6c:		
d	Backup withholding erroneously withheld — 6d: 0		
7	Total credits and payments Add lines 6a through 6d.	7	2,360
8	Enter any **penalty** for underpayment of estimated tax Check here ☑ if Form 2220 is attached	8	12
9	**Tax due.** If the total of lines 5 and 8 is more than line 7, enter **amount owed** ▶	9	4,245
10	**Overpayment.** If line 7 is more than the total of lines 5 and 8, enter the **amount overpaid** ▶	10	
11	Enter the amount of line 10 to be **Credited to 2018 estimated tax** ▶ / **Refunded** ▶	11	

Part VII-A Statements Regarding Activities

			Yes	No
1a	During the tax year, did the foundation attempt to influence any national, state, or local legislation or did it participate or intervene in any political campaign?	1a		No
b	Did it spend more than $100 during the year (either directly or indirectly) for political purposes (see Instructions for definition)?.	1b		No
	*If the answer is "Yes" to **1a** or **1b**, attach a detailed description of the activities and copies of any materials published or distributed by the foundation in connection with the activities*			
c	Did the foundation file **Form 1120-POL** for this year?.	1c		No
d	Enter the amount (if any) of tax on political expenditures (section 4955) imposed during the year **(1)** On the foundation ▶ $ 0 **(2)** On foundation managers ▶ $ 0			
e	Enter the reimbursement (if any) paid by the foundation during the year for political expenditure tax imposed on foundation managers ▶ $ 0			
2	Has the foundation engaged in any activities that have not previously been reported to the IRS? *If "Yes," attach a detailed description of the activities*	2		No
3	Has the foundation made any changes, not previously reported to the IRS, in its governing instrument, articles of incorporation, or bylaws, or other similar instruments? *If "Yes," attach a conformed copy of the changes*	3		No
4a	Did the foundation have unrelated business gross income of $1,000 or more during the year?.	4a		No
b	If "Yes," has it filed a tax return on **Form 990-T** for this year?.	4b		
5	Was there a liquidation, termination, dissolution, or substantial contraction during the year? *If "Yes," attach the statement required by General Instruction T*	5		No
6	Are the requirements of section 508(e) (relating to sections 4941 through 4945) satisfied either • By language in the governing instrument, or • By state legislation that effectively amends the governing instrument so that no mandatory directions that conflict with the state law remain in the governing instrument?	6		No
7	Did the foundation have at least $5,000 in assets at any time during the year? *If "Yes," complete Part II, col (c), and Part XV*	7	Yes	
8a	Enter the states to which the foundation reports or with which it is registered (see instructions) ▶ TX			
b	If the answer is "Yes" to line 7, has the foundation furnished a copy of Form 990-PF to the Attorney General (or designate) of each state as required by General Instruction G? *If "No," attach explanation*	8b	Yes	
9	Is the foundation claiming status as a private operating foundation within the meaning of section 4942(j)(3) or 4942(j)(5) for calendar year 2017 or the taxable year beginning in 2017 (see instructions for Part XIV)? *If "Yes," complete Part XIV*	9		No
10	Did any persons become substantial contributors during the tax year? *If "Yes," attach a schedule listing their names and addresses*	10		No

Part VII-A Statements Regarding Activities (continued)

			Yes	No
11	At any time during the year, did the foundation, directly or indirectly, own a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? If "Yes," attach schedule (see instructions).	11		No
12	Did the foundation make a distribution to a donor advised fund over which the foundation or a disqualified person had advisory privileges? If "Yes," attach statement (see instructions)	12		No
13	Did the foundation comply with the public inspection requirements for its annual returns and exemption application?	13	Yes	

Website address ▶N/A

14 The books are in care of ▶C TODD SPARKS Telephone no ▶(432) 683-5203

Located at ▶2600 MOCKINGBIRD LN MIDLAND TX ZIP+4 ▶79705

15 Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts filing Form 990-PF in lieu of **Form 1041** —Check here . . . ▶ ☐
and enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the year . . . ▶ 15

			Yes	No
16	At any time during calendar year 2017, did the foundation have an interest in or a signature or other authority over a bank, securities, or other financial account in a foreign country?	16		No
	See instructions for exceptions and filing requirements for FinCEN Form 114, Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts (FBAR) If "Yes", enter the name of the foreign country ▶			

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

File Form 4720 if any item is checked in the "Yes" column, unless an exception applies. Yes No

1a During the year did the foundation (either directly or indirectly)

(1) Engage in the sale or exchange, or leasing of property with a disqualified person? ☐ Yes ☑ No

(2) Borrow money from, lend money to, or otherwise extend credit to (or accept it from) a disqualified person? ☐ Yes ☑ No

(3) Furnish goods, services, or facilities to (or accept them from) a disqualified person? ☐ Yes ☑ No

(4) Pay compensation to, or pay or reimburse the expenses of, a disqualified person? ☐ Yes ☑ No

(5) Transfer any income or assets to a disqualified person (or make any of either available for the benefit or use of a disqualified person)? ☐ Yes ☑ No

(6) Agree to pay money or property to a government official? (**Exception.** Check "No" if the foundation agreed to make a grant to or to employ the official for a period after termination of government service, if terminating within 90 days). ☐ Yes ☑ No

			Yes	No
b	If any answer is "Yes" to 1a(1)–(6), did **any** of the acts fail to qualify under the exceptions described in Regulations section 53 4941(d)-3 or in a current notice regarding disaster assistance (see instructions)?	1b		
	Organizations relying on a current notice regarding disaster assistance check here. ▶ ☐			
c	Did the foundation engage in a prior year in any of the acts described in 1a, other than excepted acts, that were not corrected before the first day of the tax year beginning in 2017?.	1c		No

2 Taxes on failure to distribute income (section 4942) (does not apply for years the foundation was a private operating foundation defined in section 4942(j)(3) or 4942(j)(5))

a At the end of tax year 2017, did the foundation have any undistributed income (lines 6d and 6e, Part XIII) for tax year(s) beginning before 2017?. ☐ Yes ☑ No
If "Yes," list the years ▶ 20____ , 20____ , 20____ , 20____

			Yes	No
b	Are there any years listed in 2a for which the foundation is **not** applying the provisions of section 4942(a)(2) (relating to incorrect valuation of assets) to the year's undistributed income? (If applying section 4942(a)(2) to **all** years listed, answer "No" and attach statement—see instructions)	2b		

c If the provisions of section 4942(a)(2) are being applied to **any** of the years listed in 2a, list the years here
▶ 20____ , 20____ , 20____ , 20____

3a Did the foundation hold more than a 2% direct or indirect interest in any business enterprise at any time during the year?. ☐ Yes ☑ No

			Yes	No
b	If "Yes," did it have excess business holdings in 2017 as a result of **(1)** any purchase by the foundation or disqualified persons after May 26, 1969, **(2)** the lapse of the 5-year period (or longer period approved by the Commissioner under section 4943(c)(7)) to dispose of holdings acquired by gift or bequest, or **(3)** the lapse of the 10-, 15-, or 20-year first phase holding period?*(Use Schedule C, Form 4720, to determine if the foundation had excess business holdings in 2017).*	3b		
4a	Did the foundation invest during the year any amount in a manner that would jeopardize its charitable purposes?	4a		No
b	Did the foundation make any investment in a prior year (but after December 31, 1969) that could jeopardize its charitable purpose that had not been removed from jeopardy before the first day of the tax year beginning in 2017?	4b		No

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

5a	During the year did the foundation pay or incur any amount to				
	(1) Carry on propaganda, or otherwise attempt to influence legislation (section 4945(e))?	☐ Yes ☑ No			
	(2) Influence the outcome of any specific public election (see section 4955), or to carry on, directly or indirectly, any voter registration drive?	☐ Yes ☑ No			
	(3) Provide a grant to an individual for travel, study, or other similar purposes?	☐ Yes ☑ No			
	(4) Provide a grant to an organization other than a charitable, etc , organization described in section 4945(d)(4)(A)? (see instructions)	☐ Yes ☑ No			
	(5) Provide for any purpose other than religious, charitable, scientific, literary, or educational purposes, or for the prevention of cruelty to children or animals?	☐ Yes ☑ No			
b	If any answer is "Yes" to 5a(1)–(5), did **any** of the transactions fail to qualify under the exceptions described in Regulations section 53 4945 or in a current notice regarding disaster assistance (see instructions)?		5b		
	Organizations relying on a current notice regarding disaster assistance check here ▶ ☐				
c	If the answer is "Yes" to question 5a(4), does the foundation claim exemption from the tax because it maintained expenditure responsibility for the grant? *If "Yes," attach the statement required by Regulations section 53 4945–5(d)*	☐ Yes ☐ No			
6a	Did the foundation, during the year, receive any funds, directly or indirectly, to pay premiums on a personal benefit contract?	☐ Yes ☑ No			
b	Did the foundation, during the year, pay premiums, directly or indirectly, on a personal benefit contract? *If "Yes" to 6b, file Form 8870*		6b		No
7a	At any time during the tax year, was the foundation a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction?	☐ Yes ☑ No			
b	If yes, did the foundation receive any proceeds or have any net income attributable to the transaction?		7b		

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

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

(a) Name and address	(b) Title, and average hours per week devoted to position	(c) Compensation (If not paid, enter -0-)	(d) Contributions to employee benefit plans and deferred compensation	(e) Expense account, other allowances
DON L SPARKS 2600 MOCKINGBIRD LN MIDLAND, TX 79705	PRESIDENT 2 00	0	0	0
W JEFFREY SPARKS 2600 MOCKINGBIRD LN MIDLAND, TX 79705	VICE PRESIDENT 2 00	0	0	0
C TODD SPARKS 2600 MOCKINGBIRD LN MIDLAND, TX 79705	SECRETARY 2 00	0	0	0
KEVIN D SPARKS 2600 MOCKINGBIRD LN MIDLAND, TX 79705	TREASURER 2 00	0	0	0

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

(a) Name and address of each employee paid more than $50,000	(b) Title, and average hours per week devoted to position	(c) Compensation	(d) Contributions to employee benefit plans and deferred compensation	(e) Expense account, other allowances
NONE				

Total number of other employees paid over $50,000. . . . . ▶ 0

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

(a) Name and address of each person paid more than $50,000	(b) Type of service	(c) Compensation
NONE		

Total number of others receiving over $50,000 for professional services. . . . . ▶ 0

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

List the foundation's four largest direct charitable activities during the tax year Include relevant statistical information such as the number of organizations and other beneficiaries served, conferences convened, research papers produced, etc	Expenses
1	
2	
3	
4	

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

Describe the two largest program-related investments made by the foundation during the tax year on lines 1 and 2	Amount
1	
2	
All other program-related investments See instructions 3	
Total. Add lines 1 through 3 . . . . ▶	0

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

1	Fair market value of assets not used (or held for use) directly in carrying out charitable, etc , purposes			
a	Average monthly fair market value of securities		1a	1,216,126
b	Average of monthly cash balances		1b	686,387
c	Fair market value of all other assets (see instructions)		1c	312,402
d	**Total** (add lines 1a, b, and c)		1d	2,214,915
e	Reduction claimed for blockage or other factors reported on lines 1a and 1c (attach detailed explanation)	1e 0		
2	Acquisition indebtedness applicable to line 1 assets		2	0
3	Subtract line 2 from line 1d		3	2,214,915
4	Cash deemed held for charitable activities Enter 1 1/2% of line 3 (for greater amount, see instructions)		4	33,224
5	**Net value of noncharitable-use assets.** Subtract line 4 from line 3 Enter here and on Part V, line 4		5	2,181,691
6	**Minimum investment return.** Enter 5% of line 5		6	109,085

Part XI Distributable Amount (see instructions) (Section 4942(j)(3) and (j)(5) private operating foundations and certain foreign organizations check here ▶ ☐ and do not complete this part)

1	Minimum investment return from Part X, line 6		1	109,085
2a	Tax on investment income for 2017 from Part VI, line 5	2a 6,593		
b	Income tax for 2017 (This does not include the tax from Part VI)	2b		
c	Add lines 2a and 2b		2c	6,593
3	Distributable amount before adjustments Subtract line 2c from line 1		3	102,492
4	Recoveries of amounts treated as qualifying distributions		4	0
5	Add lines 3 and 4		5	102,492
6	Deduction from distributable amount (see instructions)		6	0
7	**Distributable amount** as adjusted Subtract line 6 from line 5 Enter here and on Part XIII, line 1		7	102,492

Part XII Qualifying Distributions (see instructions)

1	Amounts paid (including administrative expenses) to accomplish charitable, etc , purposes		
a	Expenses, contributions, gifts, etc —total from Part I, column (d), line 26	1a	115,005
b	Program-related investments—total from Part IX-B	1b	0
2	Amounts paid to acquire assets used (or held for use) directly in carrying out charitable, etc , purposes	2	
3	Amounts set aside for specific charitable projects that satisfy the		
a	Suitability test (prior IRS approval required)	3a	
b	Cash distribution test (attach the required schedule)	3b	
4	**Qualifying distributions.** Add lines 1a through 3b Enter here and on Part V, line 8, and Part XIII, line 4	4	115,005
5	Foundations that qualify under section 4940(e) for the reduced rate of tax on net investment income Enter 1% of Part I, line 27b (see instructions)	5	0
6	**Adjusted qualifying distributions.** Subtract line 5 from line 4	6	115,005

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

Part XIII Undistributed Income (see instructions)

	(a) Corpus	(b) Years prior to 2016	(c) 2016	(d) 2017
1 Distributable amount for 2017 from Part XI, line 7				102,492
2 Undistributed income, if any, as of the end of 2017				
a Enter amount for 2016 only.			0	
b Total for prior years 20____ , 20____ , 20____		0		
3 Excess distributions carryover, if any, to 2017				
a From 2012.				
b From 2013.				
c From 2014. 90,457				
d From 2015. 130,063				
e From 2016. 15,981				
f **Total** of lines 3a through e.	236,501			
4 Qualifying distributions for 2017 from Part XII, line 4 ▶ $ 115,005				
a Applied to 2016, but not more than line 2a			0	
b Applied to undistributed income of prior years (Election required—see instructions).		0		
c Treated as distributions out of corpus (Election required—see instructions).	0			
d Applied to 2017 distributable amount.				102,492
e Remaining amount distributed out of corpus	12,513			
5 Excess distributions carryover applied to 2017 *(If an amount appears in column (d), the same amount must be shown in column (a))*	0			0
6 **Enter the net total of each column as indicated below:**				
a Corpus Add lines 3f, 4c, and 4e Subtract line 5	249,014			
b Prior years' undistributed income Subtract line 4b from line 2b		0		
c Enter the amount of prior years' undistributed income for which a notice of deficiency has been issued, or on which the section 4942(a) tax has been previously assessed.		0		
d Subtract line 6c from line 6b Taxable amount —see instructions		0		
e Undistributed income for 2016 Subtract line 4a from line 2a Taxable amount—see instructions			0	
f Undistributed income for 2017 Subtract lines 4d and 5 from line 1 This amount must be distributed in 2018				0
7 Amounts treated as distributions out of corpus to satisfy requirements imposed by section 170(b)(1)(F) or 4942(g)(3) (Election may be required - see instructions)	0			
8 Excess distributions carryover from 2012 not applied on line 5 or line 7 (see instructions) . . .	0			
9 **Excess distributions carryover to 2018.** Subtract lines 7 and 8 from line 6a	249,014			
10 Analysis of line 9				
a Excess from 2013. . . .				
b Excess from 2014. . . . 90,457				
c Excess from 2015. . . . 130,063				
d Excess from 2016. . . . 15,981				
e Excess from 2017. . . . 12,513				

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

1a If the foundation has received a ruling or determination letter that it is a private operating foundation, and the ruling is effective for 2017, enter the date of the ruling. . . . . ▶

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

	Tax year	Prior 3 years			(e) Total
	(a) 2017	**(b)** 2016	**(c)** 2015	**(d)** 2014	
2a Enter the lesser of the adjusted net income from Part I or the minimum investment return from Part X for each year listed					
b 85% of line 2a					
c Qualifying distributions from Part XII, line 4 for each year listed					
d Amounts included in line 2c not used directly for active conduct of exempt activities					
e Qualifying distributions made directly for active conduct of exempt activities Subtract line 2d from line 2c					
3 Complete 3a, b, or c for the alternative test relied upon					
a "Assets" alternative test—enter **(1)** Value of all assets					
(2) Value of assets qualifying under section 4942(j)(3)(B)(i)					
b "Endowment" alternative test— enter 2/3 of minimum investment return shown in Part X, line 6 for each year listed					
c "Support" alternative test—enter **(1)** Total support other than gross investment income (interest, dividends, rents, payments on securities loans (section 512(a)(5)), or royalties)					
(2) Support from general public and 5 or more exempt organizations as provided in section 4942(j)(3)(B)(iii)					
(3) Largest amount of support from an exempt organization					
(4) Gross investment income					

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

1 Information Regarding Foundation Managers:

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

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

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

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

a The name, address, and telephone number or e-mail address of the person to whom applications should be addressed

C TODD SPARKS
2600 MOCKINGBIRD LN
MIDLAND, TX 79705
(432) 683-5203

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

PRESCRIBED FORMS

c Any submission deadlines

90 DAYS PRIOR TO REQUESTED FUNDING DATE

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

NONE

Part XV **Supplementary Information** (continued)

3 Grants and Contributions Paid During the Year or Approved for Future Payment

Recipient Name and address (home or business)	If recipient is an individual, show any relationship to any foundation manager or substantial contributor	Foundation status of recipient	Purpose of grant or contribution	Amount
a *Paid during the year* See Additional Data Table				
Total . . . . ▶ **3a**				115,005
b *Approved for future payment*				
Total . . . . ▶ **3b**				0

Part XVI-A Analysis of Income-Producing Activities

Enter gross amounts unless otherwise indicated	Unrelated business income		Excluded by section 512, 513, or 514		(e) Related or exempt function income (See instructions)
	(a) Business code	(b) Amount	(c) Exclusion code	(d) Amount	
1 Program service revenue					
a					
b					
c					
d					
e					
f					
g Fees and contracts from government agencies					
2 Membership dues and assessments. . . .					
3 Interest on savings and temporary cash investments			14	556	
4 Dividends and interest from securities. . . .			14	5,027	
5 Net rental income or (loss) from real estate					
a Debt-financed property.					
b Not debt-financed property.					
6 Net rental income or (loss) from personal property					
7 Other investment income.			15	116,375	
8 Gain or (loss) from sales of assets other than inventory			18	216,206	
9 Net income or (loss) from special events					
10 Gross profit or (loss) from sales of inventory					
11 Other revenue a See Additional Data Table					
b					
c					
d					
e					
12 Subtotal Add columns (b), (d), and (e). .		-49,347		337,680	0

13 **Total.** Add line 12, columns (b), (d), and (e). 13 288,333

(See worksheet in line 13 instructions to verify calculations)

Part XVI-B Relationship of Activities to the Accomplishment of Exempt Purposes

Line No. ▼	Explain below how each activity for which income is reported in column (e) of Part XVI-A contributed importantly to the accomplishment of the foundation's exempt purposes (other than by providing funds for such purposes) (See instructions)

Part XVII Information Regarding Transfers To and Transactions and Relationships With Noncharitable Exempt Organizations

		Yes	No
1 Did the organization directly or indirectly engage in any of the following with any other organization described in section 501 (c) of the Code (other than section 501(c)(3) organizations) or in section 527, relating to political organizations?			
a Transfers from the reporting foundation to a noncharitable exempt organization of			
(1) Cash.	**1a(1)**		No
(2) Other assets.	**1a(2)**		No
b Other transactions			
(1) Sales of assets to a noncharitable exempt organization.	**1b(1)**		No
(2) Purchases of assets from a noncharitable exempt organization.	**1b(2)**		No
(3) Rental of facilities, equipment, or other assets.	**1b(3)**		No
(4) Reimbursement arrangements.	**1b(4)**		No
(5) Loans or loan guarantees.	**1b(5)**		No
(6) Performance of services or membership or fundraising solicitations.	**1b(6)**		No
c Sharing of facilities, equipment, mailing lists, other assets, or paid employees.	**1c**		No

d If the answer to any of the above is "Yes," complete the following schedule Column **(b)** should always show the fair market value of the goods, other assets, or services given by the reporting foundation If the foundation received less than fair market value in any transaction or sharing arrangement, show in column **(d)** the value of the goods, other assets, or services received

(a) Line No	**(b)** Amount involved	**(c)** Name of noncharitable exempt organization	**(d)** Description of transfers, transactions, and sharing arrangements

2a Is the foundation directly or indirectly affiliated with, or related to, one or more tax-exempt organizations described in section 501(c) of the Code (other than section 501(c)(3)) or in section 527? ☐ Yes ☑ No

b If "Yes," complete the following schedule

(a) Name of organization	**(b)** Type of organization	**(c)** Description of relationship

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 taxpayer) is based on all information of which preparer has any knowledge

******	2018-11-13	******
Signature of officer or trustee	Date	Title

May the IRS discuss this return with the preparer shown below (see instr)? ☑ **Yes** ☐ **No**

Paid Preparer Use Only

Print/Type preparer's name	Preparer's Signature	Date	Check if self-employed ▶ ☐	PTIN
GAYLA THORNTON CPA				P01272518

Firm's name ▶ ARMSTRONG BACKUS & CO LLP — Firm's EIN ▶75-1496876

Firm's address ▶ PO BOX 3487
MIDLAND, TX 79702 — Phone no (432) 682-6258

Form 990PF Part XV Line 3 - Grants and Contributions Paid During the Year or Approved for Future Payment

Recipient Name and address (home or business)	If recipient is an individual, show any relationship to any foundation manager or substantial contributor	Foundation status of recipient	Purpose of grant or contribution	Amount
a *Paid during the year*				
CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS FROM K-1 INVESTMENTS 2600 MOCKINGBIRD LN MIDLAND, TX 79705	N/A	501(C)(3)	TO ASSIST AND SUPPORT THE SERVICES AND PROGRAMS OF THE FOUNDATION	94
TEXAS PUBLIC POLICY FOUNDATION 900 CONGRESS AVE STE 400 AUSTIN, TX 78701	N/A	501(C)(3)	TO ASSIST AND SUPPORT THE SERVICES AND PROGRAMS OF THE FOUNDATION	100,000
FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH 2104 W LOUISIANA AVE MIDLAND, TX 79701	N/A	501(C)(3)	TO ASSIST AND SUPPORT THE SERVICES AND PROGRAMS OF THE FOUNDATION	2,500
Total . . . . ▶ 3a				115,005

Form 990PF Part XV Line 3 - Grants and Contributions Paid During the Year or Approved for Future Payment

Recipient Name and address (home or business)	If recipient is an individual, show any relationship to any foundation manager or substantial contributor	Foundation status of recipient	Purpose of grant or contribution	Amount
a *Paid during the year*				
HIGH SKY CHILDREN'S RANCH 8701 WEST COUNTY ROAD 60 MIDLAND, TX 79707	N/A	501(C)(3)	TO ASSIST AND SUPPORT THE SERVICES AND PROGRAMS OF THE FOUNDATION	2,100
MIDLAND COLLEGE3600 N GARFIELD MIDLAND, TX 79705	N/A	501(C)(3)	TO ASSIST AND SUPPORT THE SERVICES AND PROGRAMS OF THE FOUNDATION	311
THE WAY RETREAT CENTER 4014 TODD RD MIDLAND, TX 79705	N/A	501(C)(3)	TO ASSIST AND SUPPORT THE SERVICES AND PROGRAMS OF THE FOUNDATION	10,000
Total . . . . ▶ **3a**				115,005

Form 990PF Part XVI-A Line 11 - Other revenue:

Enter gross amounts unless otherwise indicated	Unrelated business income		Excluded by section 512, 513, or 514		(e) Related or exempt function income (See the instructions)
11 Other revenue	**(a)** Business code	**(b)** Amount	**(c)** Exclusion code	**(d)** Amount	
a AMCAP ACQUISITIONS			16	-41	
b AMCAP ACQUISITIONS	900003	-115	01		
c AMCAP LEE PARK, LLC			16	-443	
d AMCAP LEE PARK, LLC	900003	1,046	01		
e AMCAP TELECOM PARTNERS	900003		01		
f AMCAP WOODLAKE, LLC	900003	18,293	01		
g FRACTURED LLC			01		
h HAD ENOUGH LLC		19,585	01		
i LEGACY RESERVES LP		-7,196	01		
j MASS ENERGY, LLC		-10,430	01		
k SPARKCAP, LLC	900003	-70,530	01		

TY 2017 Accounting Fees Schedule

Name: THE SPARKS FOUNDATION INC

EIN: 20-0396160

Accounting Fees Schedule

Category	Amount	Net Investment Income	Adjusted Net Income	Disbursements for Charitable Purposes
ACCOUNTING	4,907	0	0	0

TY 2017 Investments Corporate Stock Schedule

Name: THE SPARKS FOUNDATION INC

EIN: 20-0396160

Name of Stock	End of Year Book Value	End of Year Fair Market Value
BROKERAGE - FIDELITY 166	100,000	100,000
SECURITIES - TRIUMPH SAVINGS BANK PREFERRED	200,005	200,005
DEVON ENERGY CORP NEW	6,863	5,382
LEGACY RESVS LP UNIT LP INT	29,398	4,025
SM ENERGY CO COM	19,382	11,040
CHUBB LIMITED COM NPV	16,744	17,974
SODASTREAM INTERNATIONAL LTD	16,572	22,087
ASML HOLDING N V N Y REGISTRY SHS	18,331	21,032
BROADCOME LIMTIED COM NPV	11,962	17,469
ADOBE SYS INC	12,088	21,555
AGILENT TECH INC	9,461	10,380
AMERICAN EXPRESS CO	18,769	20,855
AMPHENOL CORP CL A	12,325	16,155
BERRY GLOBAL GROUP INC	17,819	18,070
BOEING CO	18,256	22,413
CONSTELLATION BRANDS INC CL A	19,023	20,800
COPART INC COM	12,217	18,831
FMC CORP NEW	12,146	13,915
FIDELITY NATIONAL FINANCIAL IN FNF	19,990	19,698
HONEYWELL INTL INC	11,749	15,796
ILLINOIS TOOL WORKS	12,319	17,352
INTERCONTINENTAL EXCHANGE INC COM	12,407	16,370
METTLER-TOLEDO INTL	12,040	18,586
MICROCHIP TECHNOLOGY INC COM	16,949	19,861
NETFLIX COM INC COM	18,225	20,732
NEW YORK TIMES CO CL A	18,036	18,537
PARKER HANNIFIN CORP	12,395	19,559
PAYPAL HLDGS INC COM	18,081	22,601
QUALYS INC COM	19,218	21,900
RAYTHEON CO COM NEW	16,583	19,912

Name of Stock	End of Year Book Value	End of Year Fair Market Value
REINSURANCE GROUP AMER INC COM NEW	11,913	17,308
REPUBLIC SERVICES INC COM	10,841	17,038
SYNOPSYS INC COM	12,118	17,304
TAKE-TWO INTERACTIVE SOFTWARE COM	12,343	28,213
VAIL RESORTS INC COM	11,434	19,972
WAL-MART STORES INC COM	19,927	20,441
WASTE CONNECTIONS INC (CA) COM NPV	11,073	17,948
XILINX INC	15,179	17,529
12000 SHARES TBK	397,200	397,200

TY 2017 Investments - Other Schedule

Name: THE SPARKS FOUNDATION INC

EIN: 20-0396160

Investments Other Schedule 2

Category/ Item	Listed at Cost or FMV	Book Value	End of Year Fair Market Value
K-1 - AMCAP WOODLAKE, LLC	AT COST	53,339	53,339
K-1 - FRACTURED LLC	AT COST	107,576	107,576
K-1 - HAD ENOUGH LLC	AT COST	31,081	31,081
K-1 - MASS ENERGY, LLC	AT COST	137,708	137,708
OTHER ASSETS	FMV	6,305	6,305
SBS ROADRUNNER	AT COST	200,000	200,000
MYRTLE BEACH PROSPECT	AT COST	100,000	100,000
CROSS TIMBERS ROYALTY TRUST	AT COST	11,479	3,672
HUGOTON RTY TR TEX UNIT BEN INT	AT COST	5,441	350
SAN JUAN BASIN RTY TR UNIT BEN INT	AT COST	9,603	2,472

TY 2017 Other Decreases Schedule

Name: THE SPARKS FOUNDATION INC

EIN: 20-0396160

Description	Amount
FEDERAL INCOME TAX	1,775

TY 2017 Other Expenses Schedule

Name: THE SPARKS FOUNDATION INC

EIN: 20-0396160

Other Expenses Schedule

Description	Revenue and Expenses per Books	Net Investment Income	Adjusted Net Income	Disbursements for Charitable Purposes
K-1 INVESTMENTS - OTHER EXPENSES	3,536	0	0	0

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TY 2017 Other Income Schedule

Name: THE SPARKS FOUNDATION INC

EIN: 20-0396160

Other Income Schedule

Description	Revenue And Expenses Per Books	Net Investment Income	Adjusted Net Income
RI - TX - NET - NFC - 657-084085	531	531	531
RI - TX - NET	115,051	115,051	115,051
RI - TX - NET - K-1	793	793	793
AMCAP ACQUISITIONS	-41	-41	-41
AMCAP ACQUISITIONS	-115		-115
AMCAP LEE PARK, LLC	-443	-443	-443
AMCAP LEE PARK, LLC	1,046		1,046
AMCAP WOODLAKE, LLC	18,293		18,293
HAD ENOUGH LLC	19,585		19,585
LEGACY RESERVES LP	-7,196		-7,196
MASS ENERGY, LLC	-10,430		-10,430
SPARKCAP, LLC	-70,530		-70,530

TY 2017 Other Increases Schedule

Name: THE SPARKS FOUNDATION INC

EIN: 20-0396160

Description	Amount
NONDIVIDEND DISTRIBUTIONS	117
PRIOR PERIOD ADJUSTMENT	35,495

TY 2017 Other Liabilities Schedule

Name: THE SPARKS FOUNDATION INC

EIN: 20-0396160

Description	Beginning of Year - Book Value	End of Year - Book Value
OTHER PAYABLE	209,739	108,103

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TY 2017 Other Professional Fees Schedule

Name: THE SPARKS FOUNDATION INC

EIN: 20-0396160

Category	Amount	Net Investment Income	Adjusted Net Income	Disbursements for Charitable Purposes
NATIONAL FINANCIAL SERVICES LLC - ADVISORY FEES	8,019	8,019	0	0

TY 2017 Taxes Schedule

Name: THE SPARKS FOUNDATION INC

EIN: 20-0396160

Category	Amount	Net Investment Income	Adjusted Net Income	Disbursements for Charitable Purposes
NATIONAL FINANCIAL SERVICES LLC - FOREIGN TAX	32	0	0	0
AD VALOREM	208	0	0	0

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

Schedule of Contributors

▶ Attach to Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF
▶ Information about Schedule B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF) and its instructions is at *www irs gov/form990*

OMB No 1545-0047

2017

Name of the organization	Employer identification number
THE SPARKS FOUNDATION INC	20-0396160

Organization type (check one)

Filers of:	**Section:**
Form 990 or 990-EZ	☐ 501(c)( ) (enter number) organization
	☐ 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust **not** treated as a private foundation
	☐ 527 political organization
Form 990-PF	☑ 501(c)(3) exempt private foundation
	☐ 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust treated as a private foundation
	☐ 501(c)(3) taxable private foundation

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

General Rule

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

Special Rules

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

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

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

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

Name of organization
THE SPARKS FOUNDATION INC

Employer identification number
20-0396160

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

(a) No.	(b) Name, address, and ZIP + 4	(c) Total contributions	(d) Type of contribution
1	DON SPARKS 2600 MOCKINGBIRD LANE MIDLAND, TX 79705	$ 67,120	Person ☑ Payroll ☐ Noncash ☑ (Complete Part II for noncash contributions)
2	KEVIN SPARKS 2600 MOCKINGBIRD LANE MIDLAND, TX 79705	$ 82,280	Person ☑ Payroll ☐ Noncash ☑ (Complete Part II for noncash contributions)
3	C TODD SPARKS 2600 MOCKINGBIRD LANE MIDLAND, TX 79705	$ 82,280	Person ☑ Payroll ☐ Noncash ☑ (Complete Part II for noncash contributions)
4	W JEFF SPARKS 2715 HUMMINGBIRD CT MIDLAND, TX 79705	$ 82,280	Person ☑ Payroll ☐ Noncash ☑ (Complete Part II for noncash contributions)
5	DON & GWYN SPARKS FAMILY LIMITED PARTNERSHIP 2600 MOCKINGBIRD LANE MIDLAND, TX 79705	$ 184,176	Person ☑ Payroll ☐ Noncash ☑ (Complete Part II for noncash contributions)
6	JKTS CORP 2600 MOCKINGBIRD LANE MIDLAND, TX 79705	$ 24,480	Person ☐ Payroll ☐ Noncash ☑ (Complete Part II for noncash contributions)

Name of organization	**Employer identification number**
THE SPARKS FOUNDATION INC	20-0396160

Part II **Noncash Property** (See instructions) Use duplicate copies of Part II if additional space is needed

(a) No. from Part I	(b) Description of noncash property given	(c) FMV (or estimate) (See instructions)	(d) Date received
1	046 ACRES IN JW LEASES IN MIDLAND COUNTY	$ 920	2017-12-01
2	804 ACRES IN JW LEASES IN MIDLAND COUNTY	$ 16,080	2017-12-01
3	804 ACRES IN JW LEASES IN MIDLAND COUNTY	$ 16,080	2017-12-01
4	804 ACRES IN JW LEASES IN MIDLAND COUNTY	$ 16,080	2017-12-01
5	2 5888 ACRES IN JW LEASES IN MIDLAND COUNTY	$ 51,776	2017-12-01
6	1 224 ACRES IN JW LEASES IN MIDLAND COUNTY	$ 24,480	2017-12-01

Name of organization	**Employer identification number**
THE SPARKS FOUNDATION INC	20-0396160

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

Use duplicate copies of Part III if additional space is needed

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

(e) Transfer of gift

Transferee's name, address, and ZIP 4	Relationship of transferor to transferee

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

(e) Transfer of gift

Transferee's name, address, and ZIP 4	Relationship of transferor to transferee

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

(e) Transfer of gift

Transferee's name, address, and ZIP 4	Relationship of transferor to transferee

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

(e) Transfer of gift

Transferee's name, address, and ZIP 4	Relationship of transferor to transferee