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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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Open to Public Inspection

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

Name of foundation
Vermont Foundation for Children & Families

A Employer identification number
22-3030227

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

Room/suite

B Telephone number (see instructions)
(802) 488-6906

City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code
Burlington, VT 05401

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)*▶$ 6,533,167

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)				
	2	Check ▶ ☑ if the foundation is **not** required to attach Sch B				
	3	Interest on savings and temporary cash investments	92	92		
	4	Dividends and interest from securities	146,244	145,436		
	5a	Gross rents				
	b	Net rental income or (loss)				
	6a	Net gain or (loss) from sale of assets not on line 10	79,108			
	b	Gross sales price for all assets on line 6a 1,742,648				
	7	Capital gain net income (from Part IV, line 2)		79,108		
	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)				
	12	**Total.** Add lines 1 through 11	225,444	224,636		
Operating and Administrative Expenses	13	Compensation of officers, directors, trustees, etc				
	14	Other employee salaries and wages				
	15	Pension plans, employee benefits				
	16a	Legal fees (attach schedule)				
	b	Accounting fees (attach schedule)	2,175	1,960		215
	c	Other professional fees (attach schedule)	32,772	32,772		
	17	Interest				
	18	Taxes (attach schedule) (see instructions)	11,255			
	19	Depreciation (attach schedule) and depletion				
	20	Occupancy				
	21	Travel, conferences, and meetings				
	22	Printing and publications				
	23	Other expenses (attach schedule)	15,660	11,602		4,058
	24	**Total operating and administrative expenses.** Add lines 13 through 23	61,862	46,334		4,273
	25	Contributions, gifts, grants paid	213,252			213,252
	26	**Total expenses and disbursements.** Add lines 24 and 25	275,114	46,334		217,525
	27	Subtract line 26 from line 12				
	a	**Excess of revenue over expenses and disbursements**	-49,670			
	b	**Net investment income** (if negative, enter -0-)		178,302		
	c	**Adjusted net income**(if negative, enter -0-)				

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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	End of year	
			(a) Book Value	(b) Book Value	(c) Fair Market Value
Assets	1	Cash—non-interest-bearing			
	2	Savings and temporary cash investments	309,432	219,145	219,145
	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)	1,224,479	1,202,814	1,188,473
	b	Investments—corporate stock (attach schedule)	3,575,917	3,771,478	4,389,885
	c	Investments—corporate bonds (attach schedule)	815,621	726,161	720,991
	11	Investments—land, buildings, and equipment basis ▶ Less accumulated depreciation (attach schedule) ▶			
	12	Investments—mortgage loans			
	13	Investments—other (attach schedule)			
	14	Land, buildings, and equipment basis ▶ Less accumulated depreciation (attach schedule) ▶			
	15	Other assets (describe ▶)	13,927	14,673	14,673
	16	**Total assets** (to be completed by all filers—see the instructions Also, see page 1, item I)	5,939,376	5,934,271	6,533,167
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 ▶)		44,565	
	23	**Total liabilities**(add lines 17 through 22)		44,565	
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	5,939,376	5,889,706	
	28	Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, bldg , and equipment fund			
	29	Retained earnings, accumulated income, endowment, or other funds			
	30	**Total net assets or fund balances** (see instructions)	5,939,376	5,889,706	
	31	**Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances** (see instructions)	5,939,376	5,934,271	

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	5,939,376
2	Enter amount from Part I, line 27a	2	-49,670
3	Other increases not included in line 2 (itemize) ▶	3	
4	Add lines 1, 2, and 3	4	5,889,706
5	Decreases not included in line 2 (itemize) ▶	5	
6	Total net assets or fund balances at end of year (line 4 minus line 5)—Part II, column (b), line 30	6	5,889,706

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	Publicly Traded Securities			
b				
c				
d				
e				

	(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	1,742,648	0	1,663,540	79,108
b				
c				
d				
e				

	Complete only for assets showing gain in column (h) and owned by the foundation on 12/31/69			(l) Gains (Col (h) gain minus col (k), but not less than -0-) **or** Losses (from col (h))
	(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	
a	0	0	0	79,108
b				
c				
d				
e				

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	79,108
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	

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	216,616	5,844,945	0 037060
2015	235,218	6,052,177	0 038865
2014	249,711	6,298,001	0 039649
2013	220,797	5,963,197	0 037027
2012	329,862	5,615,963	0 058737

2	**Total** of line 1, column (d)	2	0 211338
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 042268
4	Enter the net value of noncharitable-use assets for 2017 from Part X, line 5	4	6,226,480
5	Multiply line 4 by line 3	5	263,181
6	Enter 1% of net investment income (1% of Part I, line 27b)	6	1,783
7	Add lines 5 and 6	7	264,964
8	Enter qualifying distributions from Part XII, line 4 , ...	8	217,525

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	3,566
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	3,566
4	Subtitle A (income) tax (domestic section 4947(a)(1) trusts and taxable foundations only Others enter -0-)			4	
5	**Tax based on investment income.** Subtract line 4 from line 3 If zero or less, enter -0-			5	3,566
6	Credits/Payments				
a	2017 estimated tax payments and 2016 overpayment credited to 2017	6a	6,900		
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			
7	Total credits and payments Add lines 6a through 6d			7	6,900
8	Enter any **penalty** for underpayment of estimated tax Check here ☐ if Form 2220 is attached			8	
9	**Tax due.** If the total of lines 5 and 8 is more than line 7, enter **amount owed** ▶			9	
10	**Overpayment.** If line 7 is more than the total of lines 5 and 8, enter the **amount overpaid** ▶			10	3,334
11	Enter the amount of line 10 to be **Credited to 2018 estimated tax** ▶ 3,334 **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 ▶ $ ________ **(2)** On foundation managers ▶ $ ________			
e	Enter the reimbursement (if any) paid by the foundation during the year for political expenditure tax imposed on foundation managers ▶ $ ________			
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	Yes	
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) ▶VT			
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 ▶KATHLEEN COATES Telephone no ▶(802) 488-6906

Located at ▶208 Flynn Avenue Burlington VT ZIP+4 ▶05401

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

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

If "Yes," attach the statement required by Regulations section 53 4945–5(d)

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? . . . . **6b** **No**

If "Yes" to 6b, file Form 8870

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	Title, and average hours per week **(b)** devoted to position	**(c)** Compensation **(If not paid, enter -0-)**	**(d)** Contributions to employee benefit plans and deferred compensation	**(e)** Expense account, other allowances
See Additional Data Table				

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	Title, and average hours per week **(b)** 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 NO DIRECT CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES	0
2	0
3	0
4	0

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 . . . . ▶	

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**	5,942,096
	b	Average of monthly cash balances.		**1b**	379,204
	c	Fair market value of all other assets (see instructions).		**1c**	0
	d	**Total** (add lines 1a, b, and c).		**1d**	6,321,300
	e	Reduction claimed for blockage or other factors reported on lines 1a and 1c (attach detailed explanation).	**1e**		
2		Acquisition indebtedness applicable to line 1 assets.		**2**	
3		Subtract line 2 from line 1d.		**3**	6,321,300
4		Cash deemed held for charitable activities Enter 1 1/2% of line 3 (for greater amount, see instructions).		**4**	94,820
5		**Net value of noncharitable-use assets.** Subtract line 4 from line 3 Enter here and on Part V, line 4		**5**	6,226,480
6		**Minimum investment return.** Enter 5% of line 5.		**6**	311,324

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**	311,324
2a		Tax on investment income for 2017 from Part VI, line 5.	**2a**	3,566		
	b	Income tax for 2017 (This does not include the tax from Part VI). . .	**2b**			
	c	Add lines 2a and 2b.			**2c**	3,566
3		Distributable amount before adjustments Subtract line 2c from line 1.			**3**	307,758
4		Recoveries of amounts treated as qualifying distributions.			**4**	
5		Add lines 3 and 4.			**5**	307,758
6		Deduction from distributable amount (see instructions).			**6**	
7		**Distributable amount** as adjusted Subtract line 6 from line 5 Enter here and on Part XIII, line 1. . .			**7**	307,758

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**	217,525
	b	Program-related investments—total from Part IX-B.	**1b**	
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**	217,525
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**	
6		**Adjusted qualifying distributions.** Subtract line 5 from line 4.	**6**	217,525

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				307,758
2 Undistributed income, if any, as of the end of 2017				
a Enter amount for 2016 only			55,049	
b Total for prior years 20____ , 20____ , 20____				
3 Excess distributions carryover, if any, to 2017				
a From 2012				
b From 2013				
c From 2014				
d From 2015				
e From 2016				
f **Total** of lines 3a through e				
4 Qualifying distributions for 2017 from Part XII, line 4 ▶ $ 217,525				
a Applied to 2016, but not more than line 2a			55,049	
b Applied to undistributed income of prior years (Election required—see instructions)				
c Treated as distributions out of corpus (Election required—see instructions)				
d Applied to 2017 distributable amount				162,476
e Remaining amount distributed out of corpus				
5 Excess distributions carryover applied to 2017 *(If an amount appears in column (d), the same amount must be shown in column (a))*				
6 **Enter the net total of each column as indicated below:**				
a Corpus Add lines 3f, 4c, and 4e Subtract line 5				
b Prior years' undistributed income Subtract line 4b from line 2b				
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				
d Subtract line 6c from line 6b Taxable amount —see instructions				
e Undistributed income for 2016 Subtract line 4a from line 2a Taxable amount—see instructions				
f Undistributed income for 2017 Subtract lines 4d and 5 from line 1 This amount must be distributed in 2018				145,282
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)				
8 Excess distributions carryover from 2012 not applied on line 5 or line 7 (see instructions)				
9 **Excess distributions carryover to 2018.** Subtract lines 7 and 8 from line 6a				
10 Analysis of line 9				
a Excess from 2013				
b Excess from 2014				
c Excess from 2015				
d Excess from 2016				
e Excess from 2017				

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))

NONE

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

NONE

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 email address of the person to whom applications should be addressed

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

c Any submission deadlines

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

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*				
HowardCenter Inc 208 Flynn Avenue Burlington, VT 05401		PC	OperatingSupport	213,252
Total . . . . ▶ **3a**				213,252
b *Approved for future payment*				
Total . . . . ▶ **3b**				

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)
1 Program service revenue	**(a)** Business code	**(b)** Amount	**(c)** Exclusion code	**(d)** Amount	
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	92	
4 Dividends and interest from securities. . . .			14	146,244	
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.					
8 Gain or (loss) from sales of assets other than inventory			18	79,108	
9 Net income or (loss) from special events					
10 Gross profit or (loss) from sales of inventory					
11 Other revenue **a**					
b					
c					
d					
e					
12 Subtotal Add columns (b), (d), and (e). .				225,444	

13 Total. Add line 12, columns (b), (d), and (e). **13** 225,444

(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
		NOT APPLICABLE	

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

******	2018-07-03	******
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 WILLIAM S HUCKABAY CPA	Preparer's Signature	Date	Check if self-employed ▶ ☐	PTIN P00154308
Firm's name ▶ Tapia & Huckabay PC				Firm's EIN ▶
Firm's address ▶ PO Box 38 Vergennes, VT 05491				Phone no (802) 870-7086

Form 990PF Part VIII Line 1 - List all officers, directors, trustees, foundation managers and their compensation

(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
SANDRA L MCGUIRE 208 Flynn Avenue Burlington, VT 05401	President 1 00	0	0	0
GEORGE H PHILIBERT 208 Flynn Avenue Burlington, VT 05401	Chair 1 00	0	0	0
KATHLEEN A COATES 208 Flynn Avenue Burlington, VT 05401	Treasurer 1 00	0	0	0
CHERYL L COUTURE 208 Flynn Avenue Burlington, VT 05401	Secretary 1 00	0	0	0
GERRI BLOOMBERG 208 Flynn Avenue Burlington, VT 05401	Director 1 00	0	0	0
MATTHEW FRAZEE 208 Flynn Avenue Burlington, VT 05401	Director 1 00	0	0	0
PETER MCCOY 208 Flynn Avenue Burlington, VT 05401	Director 1 00	0	0	0
ARLINE DUFFY 208 Flynn Avenue Burlington, VT 05401	Director 1 00	0	0	0

TY 2017 Accounting Fees Schedule

Name: Vermont Foundation for Children & Families

EIN: 22-3030227

Accounting Fees Schedule

Category	Amount	Net Investment Income	Adjusted Net Income	Disbursements for Charitable Purposes
VT CPA Firm Tax Return Preparation	2,175	1,960		215

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TY 2017 Gain/Loss from Sale of Other Assets Schedule

Name: Vermont Foundation for Children & Families

EIN: 22-3030227

Name	Date Acquired	How Acquired	Date Sold	Purchaser Name	Gross Sales Price	Basis	Basis Method	Sales Expenses	Total (net)	Accumulated Depreciation
Publicly Traded Securities		Purchased		UNRELATED THIRD PARTIES	1,742,648	1,663,540	Cost		79,108	

TY 2017 Investments Corporate Bonds Schedule

Name: Vermont Foundation for Children & Families

EIN: 22-3030227

Investments Corporate Bonds Schedule

Name of Bond	End of Year Book Value	End of Year Fair Market Value
50,000 Qualcomm Incorporated 1.71% 5/18/2018	50,034	50,023
30,000 MS Floating Rate CPI Note 10/14/2018	29,715	30,450
50,000 JPMorgan Chase 2.35% 1/28/2019	50,562	50,099
45,000 Wells Fargo & Company 2.125% 4/22/2019	45,526	44,993
40,000 JPM Floating Rate Note 2.63% 10/29/2020	39,615	39,560
35,000 Dow Chemical Company 4.25% 11/15/2020	37,255	36,553
50,000 PNC Bank 2.55% 12/9/2021	50,661	49,975
50,000 Pfizer Inc. 2.2% 12/15/2021	50,227	49,747
25,000 McDonalds Corporation 2.625% 1/15/2022	25,345	25,052
50,000 MS Fix to Floating Rate Note 4/25/2023	49,673	51,063
20,000 Toyota Motor Credit 1.38% 1/10/2018	20,002	19,999
16,000 Medtronic Inc. 1.5% 3/15/2018	16,012	15,988
14,000 Apple Inc. 1.0% 5/3/2018	13,989	13,965
17,000 General Electric Capital 2.1% 12/11/2019	17,237	16,952
15,000 Santander Holdings 2.65% 4/17/2020	14,974	14,992
16,000 JPMorgan Chase 4.25% 10/15/2020	16,977	16,776
29,000 Anheuser Busch 2.65% 10/15/2020	29,253	29,146
14,000 American International Group 3.3% 3/1/2021	14,508	14,272
15,000 Berkshire Hathaway 2.2% 3/15/2021	15,360	14,953
20,000 Oracle Corporation 2.8% 7/8/2021	20,707	20,294

Investments Corporate Bonds Schedule

Name of Bond	End of Year Book Value	End of Year Fair Market Value
19,000 Microsoft Corporation 2.4% 2/6/2022	18,994	19,007
18,000 Procter & Gamble 2.3% 2/2/2022	18,354	17,948
11,000 Comcast Corporation 2.75% 3/1/2023	11,431	11,053
17,000 Comcast Corporation 3.6% 3/2/2024	18,443	17,723
15,000 Metlife Inc. 3.6% 4/10/2024	15,737	15,693
20,000 Wells Fargo & Company 3.3% 9/9/2024	20,907	20,310
14,000 Chevron Corporation 3.33% 11/17/2025	14,663	14,405

TY 2017 Investments Corporate Stock Schedule

Name: Vermont Foundation for Children & Families

EIN: 22-3030227

Name of Stock	End of Year Book Value	End of Year Fair Market Value
1,054sh Anadarko Pete	52,960	56,537
1,500sh Intact Financial Class A Preferred	15,843	23,943
1,525sh AT&T Incorporated	58,168	59,292
1,657sh Alerian MLP	20,308	17,879
1,740sh Freeport-McMoran Incorporated	20,836	32,990
1,933sh Twitter Incorporated	31,506	46,411
101sh Diageo PLC Spons ADR	11,417	14,749
103sh Omnicom Group	8,501	7,501
103sh Philip Morris International	10,068	10,882
10sh Microsoft Corporation	656	855
110sh Lowes Companies Incorporated	8,881	10,223
112sh Nestle SA	8,821	9,631
115sh CVS Health Corporation	9,183	8,338
115sh United Technologies Corporation	12,421	14,671
119sh Colgate Palmolive Company	8,743	8,979
12,500sh Vanguard FTSE Developed Markets Fund	452,775	560,750
126sh PPG Industries	11,765	14,719
127sh Johnson & Johnson	15,872	17,744
128sh T Rowe Price Group	9,022	13,431
129sh Liberty Media C Series A SiriusXM	4,562	5,116
13,000sh Eaton Vance Tax Advantaged Fund	153,770	133,250
130sh Procter & Gamble	11,027	11,944
131sh Blackrock Incorporated	48,917	67,296
136sh Altria Group	8,871	9,712
142sh Occidental Petroleum Corporation	10,499	10,460
143sh Texas Instruments	10,173	14,935
144sh Chevron Corporation	15,160	18,027
151sh Broadcom Limtedd	25,497	38,792
155sh Arthur J. Gallagher	7,501	9,808
171sh Novartis AG ADR	14,090	14,357

Name of Stock	End of Year Book Value	End of Year Fair Market Value
172sh Lions Gate Entertainment Corporation	4,565	5,459
173sh Biogen Incorporated	45,684	55,113
179sh Microsoft Corporation	10,090	15,312
180sh AMC Networks Incorporated	9,671	9,734
1826sh Comcast Corporation	62,627	73,131
185sh Medtronic PLC	14,999	14,939
195sh Eversource Energy Company	11,315	12,320
195sh Oracle Corporation	8,007	9,220
198sh Mastercard Incorporated	21,628	29,969
199sh Citrix Systems Incorporated	14,003	17,512
19sh Thermo Fisher Scientific	2,779	3,608
2,000sh SPDR S&P Dividend Fund	151,172	188,960
200sh Costco Wholesale Corporation	31,801	37,224
200sh IBM Corporation	34,913	30,684
200sh Lockheed Martin Corporation	63,594	64,210
200sh Pepsico Incorporated	21,966	23,984
201sh Exxon Mobil Corporation	17,276	16,812
203sh VF Corporation	11,945	15,022
205sh Honeywell International	25,301	31,439
206sh Coca Cola Company	8,975	9,451
21sh Liberty Broadband Corporation	1,380	1,786
224sh Goldman Sachs Group	48,566	57,066
226sh Abbott Laboratories	9,810	12,898
230sh L-3 Communications Holdings	34,665	45,506
230sh McKesson Corporation	34,978	35,869
230sh Wells Fargo & Company	11,054	13,955
231sh Pentair PLC	14,264	16,313
239sh Vertex Pharmaceuticals	19,821	35,817
244sh Chubb Limited	31,826	35,656
251sh Intel Corporation	8,735	11,586

Name of Stock	End of Year Book Value	End of Year Fair Market Value
256sh Crown Castle International	23,483	28,419
260sh Allergan PLC	57,481	42,531
264sh Liberty Media C Series C SiriusXM	9,189	10,470
269sh Western Digital Corporation	14,831	21,393
274sh Cisco Systems Incorporated	4,625	10,494
28sh Liberty Media Corporation Series A	604	916
294sh BB&T Corporation	11,434	14,618
298sh BCE Incorporated	14,097	14,307
29sh Watsco Inc.	4,177	4,931
300sh AT&T Incorporated	12,769	11,664
300sh Facebook Incorporated	39,148	52,938
306sh Amgen Incorporated	47,881	53,213
315sh Prudential Financial Incorporated	27,876	36,219
321sh Verizon Communications	15,742	16,991
332sh Cree Research Incorporated	9,396	12,330
33sh Lockheed Martin Corporation	8,405	10,595
341sh Autodesk Incorporated	20,705	35,747
342sh Pfizer Incorporated	12,605	12,387
345sh Nucor Corporation	18,347	21,935
345sh United Technologies Corporation	38,019	44,012
34sh Logmein	3,580	3,893
36sh Apple Incorporated	2,348	6,092
37sh Amazon Company	30,313	43,270
37sh Liberty Broadband S-C	2,419	3,151
389sh Dolby Class A Common	18,790	24,118
395sh Ionis Pharmaceuticals	12,403	19,869
395sh Unitedhealth Group Incorporated	58,582	87,082
4,200sh Vanguard FTSE Emerging Markets Fund (net of $54,223 Call Options in FMV Col)	154,214	138,599
400sh Danaher Corporation	34,190	37,128
400sh Johnson & Johnson Company	56,759	55,888

Name of Stock	End of Year Book Value	End of Year Fair Market Value
412sh Ingersoll-Rand PLC	32,421	36,746
42sh Deere & Company	3,305	6,573
42sh Liberty Media Corporation Series C	895	1,435
444sh Walt Disney Company	49,591	47,734
452sh National Oilwell Varco	14,722	16,281
458sh Lowes Companies	35,104	42,567
464sh Apple Incorporated	53,556	78,523
46sh 3M Company	8,204	10,827
471sh Discovery Communications	12,267	10,541
481sh Fluor Corporation	26,265	24,844
48sh Becton Dickinson & Company	8,359	10,275
512sh TE Connectivity Limited	32,511	48,660
53sh TJX Companies	3,824	4,052
555sh Citigroup	34,410	41,298
565sh Visa Incorporated	47,955	64,421
56sh Parker Hannafin Corporation	6,413	11,176
575sh Cognizant Tech Solutions	33,504	40,837
578sh Nuance Communications Incorporated	9,121	9,450
58sh Raytheon Company	7,872	10,895
59sh Nextera Energy Incorporated	7,619	9,215
6,629sh Weatherford International	38,089	27,643
607sh Nike Incorporated	32,487	37,968
639sh Analog Devices Inc.	51,689	56,890
697sh Immunogen Incorporated	1,577	4,468
700sh Chevron Corporation	79,828	87,633
728sh Oracle Corporation	31,431	34,420
729sh Johnson Controls International	33,715	27,782
73sh Accenture PLC Ireland	5,775	11,176
757sh NOW Incorporated	11,981	8,350
765sh JPMorgan Chase & Company	59,783	81,809

Name of Stock	End of Year Book Value	End of Year Fair Market Value
78sh Alphabet Incorporated	64,714	82,165
78sh CBS Corporation	4,822	4,602
79sh Liberty Interactive Corporation	3,115	4,285
82sh Boeing Company	14,626	24,183
831sh Charles Schwab	33,506	42,688
861sh Schlumberger Limited	69,064	58,023
86sh Bioverativ Inc.	3,821	4,637
881sh Liberty Interactive QVC	20,933	21,514
900sh Mondelez International	36,358	38,520
900sh Wells Fargo & Company	45,734	54,603
902sh Seagate Technology PLC	30,064	37,740
90sh International Business Machines	14,510	13,808
95sh Genuine Parts Company	9,617	9,026
95sh Starbucks Corporation	5,168	5,456
96sh Leggett & Platt Incorporated	5,144	4,582
99sh JPMorgan Chase & Company	6,374	10,587

TY 2017 Investments Government Obligations Schedule

Name:	Vermont Foundation for Children & Families
EIN:	22-3030227
US Government Securities - End of Year Book Value:	1,202,814
US Government Securities - End of Year Fair Market Value:	1,188,473
State & Local Government Securities - End of Year Book Value:	
State & Local Government Securities - End of Year Fair Market Value:	

TY 2017 Other Expenses Schedule

Name: Vermont Foundation for Children & Families

EIN: 22-3030227

Other Expenses Schedule

Description	Revenue and Expenses per Books	Net Investment Income	Adjusted Net Income	Disbursements for Charitable Purposes
Administrative Support	12,576	10,060		2,516
Insurance	3,084	1,542		1,542

TY 2017 Other Professional Fees Schedule

Name: Vermont Foundation for Children & Families

EIN: 22-3030227

Category	Amount	Net Investment Income	Adjusted Net Income	Disbursements for Charitable Purposes
Morgan Stanley Investment Management Fees	32,772	32,772		

TY 2017 Taxes Schedule

Name: Vermont Foundation for Children & Families

EIN: 22-3030227

Category	Amount	Net Investment Income	Adjusted Net Income	Disbursements for Charitable Purposes
Excise Taxes	11,255			