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Form **990-PF**

**Return of Private Foundation**

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

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

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OMB No 1545-0052

**2017**

Open to Public Inspection

For calendar year 2017 or tax year beginning

, and ending

Name of foundation <b>The Provident Community Charitable Organization, Inc.</b>		A Employer identification number <b>47-3784324</b>
Number and street (or P.O. box number if mail is not delivered to street address) <b>5 Market Street</b>		B Telephone number <b>978-834-8535</b>
City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code <b>Amesbury, MA 01913</b>		C If exemption application is pending, check here <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>6</b>
G Check all that apply: <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <div> <input type="checkbox"/> Initial return  <input type="checkbox"/> Final return  <input type="checkbox"/> Address change         </div> <div> <input type="checkbox"/> Initial return of a former public charity  <input type="checkbox"/> Amended return  <input type="checkbox"/> Name change         </div> </div>		D 1. Foreign organizations, check here <input type="checkbox"/> 2. Foreign organizations meeting the 85% test, check here and attach computation <input type="checkbox"/>
H Check type of organization: <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <div> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Section 501(c)(3) exempt private foundation  <input type="checkbox"/> Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust         </div> <div> <input type="checkbox"/> Other taxable private foundation         </div> </div>		E If private foundation status was terminated under section 507(b)(1)(A), check here <input type="checkbox"/>
I Fair market value of all assets at end of year (from Part II, col. (c), line 16) <b>\$ 5,051,072.</b>		F If the foundation is in a 60-month termination under section 507(b)(1)(B), check here <input type="checkbox"/>
J Accounting method: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Cash <input type="checkbox"/> Accrual <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify) _____		

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))		(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			N/A	
	2 Check <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> if the foundation is not required to attach Sch. B				
	3 Interest on savings and temporary cash investments	361.	361.		Statement 1
	4 Dividends and interest from securities				
	5a Gross rents				
	b Net rental income or (loss)				
	6a Net gain or (loss) from sale of assets not on line 10				
	b Gross sales price for all assets on line 6a				
	7 Capital gain net income (from Part IV, line 2)		0.		
	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)					
11 Other income					
12 Total. Add lines 1 through 11		361.	361.		
Operating and Administrative Expenses	13 Compensation of officers, directors, trustees, etc	0.	0.		0
	14 Other employee salaries and wages				
	15 Pension plans, employee benefits				
	16a Legal fees Stmt 2	4,060.	0.		4,060
	b Accounting fees Stmt 3	1,750.	875.		875
	c Other professional fees Stmt 4	10,002.	10,002.		0
	17 Interest				
	18 Taxes				
	19 Depreciation and depletion				
	20 Occupancy				
	21 Travel, conferences, and meetings				
	22 Printing and publications				
	23 Other expenses Stmt 5	518.	0.		518
	24 Total operating and administrative expenses. Add lines 13 through 23	16,330.	10,877.		5,453
	25 Contributions, gifts, grants paid	152,184.			152,184
	26 Total expenses and disbursements. Add lines 24 and 25	168,514.	10,877.		157,637
	27 Subtract line 26 from line 12:				
a Excess of revenue over expenses and disbursements	<168,153.>				
b Net investment income (if negative, enter -0-)		0.			
c Adjusted net income (if negative, enter -0-)			N/A		

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<b>Part II Balance Sheets</b> <small>Attached schedules and amounts in the description column should be for end-of-year amounts only</small>		Beginning of year	End of year		
		(a) Book Value	(b) Book Value	(c) Fair Market Value	
<b>Assets</b>	1 Cash - non-interest-bearing				
	2 Savings and temporary cash investments	183,513.	26,260.	26,260.	
	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				
	7 Other notes and loans receivable ▶				
	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				
	b Investments - corporate stock				
	c Investments - corporate bonds				
		11 Investments - land, buildings, and equipment basis ▶			
Less: accumulated depreciation ▶					
12 Investments - mortgage loans					
13 Investments - other Stmt 7		3,400,535.	5,024,812.	5,024,812.	
14 Land, buildings, and equipment, basis ▶					
Less: accumulated depreciation ▶					
15 Other assets (describe ▶)					
16 <b>Total assets</b> (to be completed by all filers - see the instructions. Also, see page 1, item I)		3,584,048.	5,051,072.	5,051,072.	
<b>Liabilities</b>		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				
	22 Other liabilities (describe ▶)				
	23 <b>Total liabilities</b> (add lines 17 through 22)	0.	0.		
<b>Net Assets or Fund Balances</b>	Foundations that follow SFAS 117, check here ▶ <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>and complete lines 24 through 26, and lines 30 and 31.</b>				
	24 Unrestricted	3,584,048.	5,051,072.		
	25 Temporarily restricted				
	26 Permanently restricted				
	Foundations that do not follow SFAS 117, check here ▶ <input type="checkbox"/> <b>and complete lines 27 through 31.</b>				
	27 Capital stock, trust principal, or current funds				
	28 Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, bldg., and equipment fund				
	29 Retained earnings, accumulated income, endowment, or other funds				
30 <b>Total net assets or fund balances</b>	3,584,048.	5,051,072.			
31 <b>Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances</b>	3,584,048.	5,051,072.			

**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	3,584,048.
2 Enter amount from Part I, line 27a	2	<168,153.>
3 Other increases not included in line 2 (itemize) ▶ See Statement 6	3	1,635,177.
4 Add lines 1, 2, and 3	4	5,051,072.
5 Decreases not included in line 2 (itemize) ▶	5	0.
6 <b>Total net assets or fund balances at end of year</b> (line 4 minus line 5) - Part II, column (b), line 30	6	5,051,072.

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**Part IV Capital Gains and Losses for Tax on Investment Income**

(a) List and describe the kind(s) of property sold (for example, 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.)
<b>1a</b>			
<b>b</b> <b>NONE</b>			
<b>c</b>			
<b>d</b>			
<b>e</b>			

  

(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))
<b>a</b>			
<b>b</b>			
<b>c</b>			
<b>d</b>			
<b>e</b>			

  

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

(i) FMV 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))
<b>a</b>			
<b>b</b>			
<b>c</b>			
<b>d</b>			
<b>e</b>			

  

<b>2</b> Capital gain net income or (net capital loss) <span style="float:right;">{ If gain, also enter in Part I, line 7 If (loss), enter -0- in Part I, line 7 }</span>	<b>2</b>	
<b>3</b> 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). If (loss), enter -0- in Part I, line 8	<b>3</b>	

**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 doesn't qualify under section 4940(e). Do not complete this part.

**1** Enter the appropriate amount in each column for each year; see the 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	68,268.	3,191,953.	.021388
2015	160.	2,605,481.	.000061
2014			
2013			
2012			

<b>2</b> Total of line 1, column (d)	<b>2</b>	.021449
<b>3</b> Average distribution ratio for the 5-year base period - divide the total on line 2 by 5.0, or by the number of years the foundation has been in existence if less than 5 years	<b>3</b>	.010725
<b>4</b> Enter the net value of noncharitable-use assets for 2017 from Part X, line 5	<b>4</b>	4,475,566.
<b>5</b> Multiply line 4 by line 3	<b>5</b>	48,000.
<b>6</b> Enter 1% of net investment income (1% of Part I, line 27b)	<b>6</b>	0.
<b>7</b> Add lines 5 and 6	<b>7</b>	48,000.
<b>8</b> Enter qualifying distributions from Part XII, line 4  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.	<b>8</b>	157,637.

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**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 <input type="checkbox"/> 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 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> and enter 1% of Part I, line 27b		1	0.
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	0.
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	0.
6 Credits/Payments:			
a 2017 estimated tax payments and 2016 overpayment credited to 2017	6a	0.	
b Exempt foreign organizations - tax withheld at source	6b	0.	
c Tax paid with application for extension of time to file (Form 8868)	6c	0.	
d Backup withholding erroneously withheld	6d	0.	
7 Total credits and payments. Add lines 6a through 6d	7	0.	
8 Enter any penalty for underpayment of estimated tax. Check here <input type="checkbox"/> if Form 2220 is attached	8	0.	
9 Tax due. If the total of lines 5 and 8 is more than line 7, enter amount owed	9	0.	
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 <input type="checkbox"/> Refunded <input type="checkbox"/>	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?		X
b Did it spend more than \$100 during the year (either directly or indirectly) for political purposes? See the instructions for the definition. 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.		X
c Did the foundation file Form 1120-POL for this year?		X
d Enter the amount (if any) of tax on political expenditures (section 4955) imposed during the year: (1) On the foundation. <input type="checkbox"/> \$ 0. (2) On foundation managers. <input type="checkbox"/> \$ 0.		
e Enter the reimbursement (if any) paid by the foundation during the year for political expenditure tax imposed on foundation managers <input type="checkbox"/> \$ 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.		X
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		X
4a Did the foundation have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year?		X
b If "Yes," has it filed a tax return on Form 990-T for this year?		
5 Was there a liquidation, termination, dissolution, or substantial contraction during the year? If "Yes," attach the statement required by General Instruction T		X
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?	X	
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	X	
8a Enter the states to which the foundation reports or with which it is registered. See instructions. <u>DE, MA</u>		
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	X	
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 tax year beginning in 2017? See the instructions for Part XIV. If "Yes," complete Part XIV		X
10 Did any persons become substantial contributors during the tax year? If "Yes," attach a schedule listing their names and addresses		X

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**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		X
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		X
13 Did the foundation comply with the public inspection requirements for its annual returns and exemption application? Website address ► N/A	X	
14 The books are in care of ► <b>The Provident Bank</b> Telephone no. ► <b>978-834-8535</b> Located at ► <b>5 Market Street, Amesbury, MA</b> ZIP+4 ► <b>01913</b>		
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 N/A		
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? See the instructions for exceptions and filing requirements for FinCEN Form 114. If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country ►		X

**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? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No (2) Borrow money from, lend money to, or otherwise extend credit to (or accept it from) a disqualified person? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No (3) Furnish goods, services, or facilities to (or accept them from) a disqualified person? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No (4) Pay compensation to, or pay or reimburse the expenses of, a disqualified person? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 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)? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 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.) <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 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 Organizations relying on a current notice regarding disaster assistance, check here N/A		
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?		X
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? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No If "Yes," list the years ►		
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.) N/A		
c If the provisions of section 4942(a)(2) are being applied to any of the years listed in 2a, list the years here. ►		
3a Did the foundation hold more than a 2% direct or indirect interest in any business enterprise at any time during the year? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 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.) N/A		
4a Did the foundation invest during the year any amount in a manner that would jeopardize its charitable purposes?		X
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?		X

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

	Yes	No
<b>5a</b> 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))?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
(2) Influence the outcome of any specific public election (see section 4955); or to carry on, directly or indirectly, any voter registration drive?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
(3) Provide a grant to an individual for travel, study, or other similar purposes?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
(4) Provide a grant to an organization other than a charitable, etc., organization described in section 4945(d)(4)(A)? See instructions	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> 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?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
<b>b</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		
Organizations relying on a current notice regarding disaster assistance, check here <span style="float:right">▶ <input type="checkbox"/></span>		
<b>c</b> 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? <span style="float:right"><b>See Statement 8</b></span>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
If "Yes," attach the statement required by Regulations section 53.4945-5(d).		
<b>6a</b> Did the foundation, during the year, receive any funds, directly or indirectly, to pay premiums on a personal benefit contract?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
<b>b</b> Did the foundation, during the year, pay premiums, directly or indirectly, on a personal benefit contract?		
If "Yes" to 6b, file Form 8870		
<b>7a</b> At any time during the tax year, was the foundation a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
<b>b</b> If "Yes," did the foundation receive any proceeds or have any net income attributable to the transaction?	N/A	

**Part VIII Information About Officers, Directors, Trustees, Foundation Managers, Highly Paid Employees, and Contractors****1 List all officers, directors, trustees, and 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
Carol L. Houle 5 Market Street Amesbury, MA 01913	Vice President, Treasurer 1.00	0.	0.	0.
David P. Mansfield 5 Market Street Amesbury, MA 01913	President 1.00	0.	0.	0.
Donald E. Askey 5 Market Street Amesbury, MA 01913	Director 1.00	0.	0.	0.

**2 Compensation of five highest-paid employees (other than those included on line 1). 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

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

**3 Five highest-paid independent contractors for professional services. If none, enter "NONE."**

[illegible]

**Total** number of others receiving over \$50,000 for professional services

0

Part IX-A	Summary of Direct Charitable Activities
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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

number of organizations and other beneficiaries served, conferences convened, research papers produced, etc.		Expenses
1	N/A	
2		
3		
4		

<b>Part IX-B</b>	<b>Summary of Program-Related Investments</b>
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Describe the two largest program-related investments made by the foundation during the tax year on lines 1 and 2.

**Amount**

1	N/A	
2		
All other program-related investments. See instructions.		
3		

**Total. Add lines 1 through 3**

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**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	4,412,146.
b	Average of monthly cash balances	1b	131,576.
c	Fair market value of all other assets	1c	
d	<b>Total</b> (add lines 1a, b, and c)	1d	4,543,722.
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	4,543,722.
4	Cash deemed held for charitable activities. Enter 1 1/2% of line 3 (for greater amount, see instructions)	4	68,156.
5	<b>Net value of noncharitable-use assets.</b> Subtract line 4 from line 3. Enter here and on Part V, line 4	5	4,475,566.
6	<b>Minimum investment return.</b> Enter 5% of line 5	6	223,778.

**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	223,778.
2a	Tax on investment income for 2017 from Part VI, line 5	2a	
b	Income tax for 2017. (This does not include the tax from Part VI.)	2b	
c	Add lines 2a and 2b	2c	0.
3	Distributable amount before adjustments. Subtract line 2c from line 1	3	223,778.
4	Recoveries of amounts treated as qualifying distributions	4	0.
5	Add lines 3 and 4	5	223,778.
6	Deduction from distributable amount (see instructions)	6	0.
7	<b>Distributable amount as adjusted.</b> Subtract line 6 from line 5. Enter here and on Part XIII, line 1	7	223,778.

**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	157,637.
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	<b>Qualifying distributions.</b> Add lines 1a through 3b. Enter here and on Part V, line 8; and Part XIII, line 4	4	157,637.
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	5	0.
6	<b>Adjusted qualifying distributions.</b> Subtract line 5 from line 4	6	157,637.

**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.

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**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				223,778.
2 Undistributed income, if any, as of the end of 2017				
a Enter amount for 2016 only			151,846.	
b Total for prior years:		0.		
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	0.			
4 Qualifying distributions for 2017 from Part XII, line 4: ► \$ 157,637.				
a Applied to 2016, but not more than line 2a			151,846.	
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				5,791.
e Remaining amount distributed out of corpus	0.			
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:	0.			
a Corpus Add lines 3f, 4c, and 4e Subtract line 5	0.			
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 instr.			0.	
f Undistributed income for 2017. Subtract lines 4d and 5 from line 1 This amount must be distributed in 2018				217,987.
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	0.			
9 Excess distributions carryover to 2018. Subtract lines 7 and 8 from line 6a	0.			
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				

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**(4) Gross investment income**

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**Part XV** **Supplementary Information** (continued)

<b>3 Grants and Contributions Paid During the Year or Approved for Future Payment</b>				
Recipient	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
Name and address (home or business)				
<b>a Paid during the year</b>				
1st Lieutenant Derek Hines Soldiers Assistance Fund Inc 54 Ferry Road Newburyport, MA 01950	N/A	PC	General Operating Support	1,865.
Alliance Charitable Foundation Inc Market Square Amesbury, MA 01913	N/A	PC	General Operating Support	15,000.
American Independence Center 1 Governors Lane Exeter, NH 03833	N/A	PC	General Operating Support	221.
Amesbury Educational Foundation, Inc. P.O. Box 245 Amesbury, MA 01913	N/A	PC	General Operating Support	10,276.
Amesbury for Africa P.O. Box 263 Amesbury, MA 01913	N/A	PC	General Operating Support	323.
<b>Total</b>	<b>See continuation sheet(s)</b>			<b>152,184.</b>
<b>b Approved for future payment</b>				
None				
<b>Total</b>				<b>0.</b>

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<b>3 Grants and Contributions Paid During the Year (Continuation)</b>				
Recipient	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
Name and address (home or business)				
Anna Jaques Hospital Aid Association 25 Highland Avenue Newburyport, MA 01950	N/A	SO I	General Operating Support	864.
Antaya Foundation for Science and Technology 7A Merrill Industrial Drive Hampton, NH 03842	N/A	PC	General Operating Support	1,920.
Boys & Girls Club of Manchester 555 Union Street Manchester, NH 03104	N/A	PC	General Operating Support	1,378.
Boys & Girls Club of Lower Merrimack Valley P.O. Box 5906 Salisbury, MA 01952	N/A	PC	General Operating Support	5,000.
Coastal Connections 35 Water Street Amesbury, MA 01913	N/A	PC	General Operating Support	473.
Child & Family Services Inc 1061 Pleasant Street New Bedford, MA 02740	N/A	PC	General Operating Support	1,865.
Chucky's Fight 380 Lafayette Road Seabrook, NH 03874	N/A	PC	General Operating Support	2,040.
Cocheco Valley Humane Society 262 County Farm Road Dover, NH 03820	N/A	PC	General Operating Support	1,020.
Cross Roads House Inc 600 Lafayette Road Portsmouth, NH 03801	N/A	PC	General Operating Support	1,585.
Families First of the Greater Seacoast 100 Campus Drive, Suite 12 Portsmouth, NH 03801	N/A	PC	General Operating Support	4,538.
<b>Total from continuation sheets</b>				<b>124,499.</b>

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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
Firehouse Center for the Arts 44 Merrimac Street Newburyport, MA 01950	N/A	PC	General Operating Support	5,000.
Girls on the Run New Hampshire 137L Water Street Exeter, NH 03833	N/A	PC	General Operating Support	808.
Granite State District Export Council 54 Dover Point Road, Suite 101 Dover, NH 03820	N/A	NC	General Operating Support	25,000.
Great Bay eLearning Charter School 30 Linden Street Exeter, NH 03833	N/A	PC	General Operating Support	450.
Hampton Community Coalition 200 High Street Hampton, NH 03842	N/A	PC	General Operating Support	524.
Hampton Historical Society P.O. Box 1601 Hampton, NH 03843	N/A	PC	General Operating Support	239.
Jeanne Geiger Crisis Center Inc 2 Harris Street Newburyport, MA 01950	N/A	PC	General Operating Support	1,658.
Lowells Maritime Foundation DBA Lowells Boat Shop 459 Main Street Amesbury, MA 01913	N/A	PC	General Operating Support	2,104.
Lucy's Love Bus Charitable Trust P.O. Box 464 Amesbury, MA 01913	N/A	PC	General Operating Support	1,589.
Manchester Community College 1066 Front Street Manchester, NH 03102	N/A	PC	General Operating Support	10,000.
Total from continuation sheets				

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**3 Grants and Contributions Paid During the Year (Continuation)**

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
Manufacturing Extension Partnership of New Hampshire 172 Pembroke Road Concord, NH 03301	N/A	PC	General Operating Support	5,000.
Moore Center Services Inc 195 McGregor Street Suite 400 Manchester, NH 03102	N/A	PC	General Operating Support	1,199.
New Hampshire Film Festival 155 Fleet Street Portsmouth, NH 03801	N/A	PC	General Operating Support	720.
New Heights-Adventures for Teens 100 Campus Drive, Suite 23 Portsmouth, NH 03801	N/A	PC	General Operating Support	2,035.
One Sky Community Services Inc 755 Banfield Road Suite 3 Portsmouth, NH 03801	N/A	PC	General Operating Support	983.
Our Neighbor's Table P.O. Box 592 Amesbury, MA 01913	N/A	PC	Grocery Program	10,285.
Pennies for Poverty P.O. Box 532 Newburyport, MA 01950	N/A	PC	General Operating Support	1,194.
Pentucket Fine & Performing Arts Foundation P.O. Box 254 West Newbury, MA 01985	N/A	PC	General Operating Support	354.
Pettengill House 13 Lafayette Road Salisbury, MA 01952	N/A	PC	General Operating Support	3,689.
Portsmouth Music and Arts Center Inc 973 Islington Street Portsmouth, NH 03801	N/A	PC	General Operating Support	1,447.
Total from continuation sheets				



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**3 Grants and Contributions Paid During the Year (Continuation)**

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
Prescott Park Arts Festival Inc P.O. Box 4370 Portsmouth, NH 03802	N/A	PC	Camp Encore	1,500.
Merrimack Valley SCORE (Service Corps of Retired Executives Association) 2 International Plaza, Suite 500 Nashville, TN 37217	N/A	PC	Compass Business Administration Program	7,500.
Seacoast Repertory Theatre 125 Bow Street Portsmouth, NH 03801	N/A	PC	General Operating Support	2,747.
Seacoast Youth Services P.O. Box 1381 Seabrook, NH 03874	N/A	PC	General Operating Support	129.
Society of St Vincent De Paul P.O. Box 17653 Exeter, NH 03833	N/A	PC	General Operating Support	1,548.
Southern District YMCA 56 Linden Street Exeter, NH 03833	N/A	PC	General Operating Support	2,752.
The Front Door Agency Inc. 7 Concord Street Nashua, NH 03064	N/A	PC	General Operating Support	1,975.
Transportation Assistance for Seacoast Citizens 200 High Street Hampton, NH 03842	N/A	PC	General Operating Support	620.
Turning Point Inc 5 Perry Way Newburyport, MA 01950	N/A	PC	General Operating Support	528.
University of Massachusetts 5 Delmar Road Medway, MA 02053	N/A	GOV	Small Business Development Center Network	10,000.
Total from continuation sheets				

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**3 Grants and Contributions Paid During the Year (Continuation)**Total from continuation sheets

## Form 990-PF Interest on Savings and Temporary Cash Investments Statement 1

Source	(a) Revenue Per Books	(b) Net Investment Income	(c) Adjusted Net Income
Money Market	361.	361.	
Total to Part I, line 3	361.	361.	

## Form 990-PF Legal Fees Statement 2

Description	(a) Expenses Per Books	(b) Net Invest- ment Income	(c) Adjusted Net Income	(d) Charitable Purposes
Legal Fees	4,060.	0.		4,060.
To Form 990-PF, Pg 1, ln 16a	4,060.	0.		4,060.

## Form 990-PF Accounting Fees Statement 3

Description	(a) Expenses Per Books	(b) Net Invest- ment Income	(c) Adjusted Net Income	(d) Charitable Purposes
Accounting Fees	1,750.	875.		875.
To Form 990-PF, Pg 1, ln 16b	1,750.	875.		875.

## Form 990-PF Other Professional Fees Statement 4

Description	(a) Expenses Per Books	(b) Net Invest- ment Income	(c) Adjusted Net Income	(d) Charitable Purposes
Investment Administrative Fees	10,002.	10,002.		0.
To Form 990-PF, Pg 1, ln 16c	10,002.	10,002.		0.

Form 990-PF	Other Expenses	Statement	5
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Description	(a) Expenses Per Books	(b) Net Invest- ment Income	(c) Adjusted Net Income	(d) Charitable Purposes
Filing Fees	35.	0.		35.
Bank Fees	100.	0.		100.
Supplies	383.	0.		383.
To Form 990-PF, Pg 1, ln 23	518.	0.		518.

Form 990-PF	Other Increases in Net Assets or Fund Balances	Statement	6
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Description	Amount
Unrealized Gains	1,624,277.
Miscellaneous Timing Differences - Uncleared Checks	10,900.
Total to Form 990-PF, Part III, line 3	1,635,177.

Form 990-PF	Other Investments	Statement	7
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Description	Valuation Method	Book Value	Fair Market Value
189,974 units Provident Bancorp	FMV	5,024,812.	5,024,812.
Total to Form 990-PF, Part II, line 13		5,024,812.	5,024,812.

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**Part VII-B, Line 5c: Statement Required by Regs. Section 53-4945-5(d)**

**1. Name and address of grantee:**

Granite State District Export Council  
54 Dover Point Road, Suite 101  
Dover, NH 03820

**2. Date and amount of the grant:**

Approval Date: September 28, 2017

Grant Amount: \$25,000

Grant Period: October 1, 2017 – September 30, 2018

**3. Purpose of the grant:**

Provide and appropriate support of the New England Export Expansion Fund to advance U.S. Economic Development.

**4. Amounts expended by the grantee (based on the most recent report):**

The New England Export Expansion Fund represents a collaborative effort of the U.S. Department of Commerce/U.S. Commercial Service, the Granite State District Export Council, and appropriate state partners to support the New England export community to advance U.S. economic development. The Foundation's grant funding will provide an infusion of funds into public sector funding to support administrative functions of the Granite State District Export Council's efforts in facilitating grant payments, providing free counseling on international trade finance programs, and promote and discuss the U.S. Department of Commerce/U.S. Commercial Service.

**5. Statement regarding fund diversion:**

To the best of the Foundation's knowledge, the grantee has not diverted any portion of the fund from the purpose of the grant.

**6. Dates of any reports received from the grantee:**

Narrative and financial reports will be received during 2018

**7. Dates and results of grantee's reports showing final use of funds:**

Narrative and financial reports will be received during 2018