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Form 990

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

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

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OMB No 1545-0047

2017

Open to Public Inspection

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

B Check if applicable
☐ Address change
☐ Name change
☐ Initial return
☐ Final return/terminated
☐ Amended return
☐ Application pending

C Name of organization
NATIONAL AQUARIUM INC

Doing business as

Number and street (or P O box if mail is not delivered to street address)Room/suite

PIER 3 - 501 EAST PRATT STREET

City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code
BALTIMORE, MD 21202

F Name and address of principal officer
JOHN C RACANELLI
PIER 3 - 501 EAST PRATT STREET
BALTIMORE, MD 21202

H(a) Is this a group return for subordinates?☐ Yes ☒ No
H(b) Are all subordinates included?☐ Yes ☐ No
If "No," attach a list (see instructions)
H(c) Group exemption number ▶

D Employer identification number
52-1121163

E Telephone number
(410) 576-3800

G Gross receipts \$ 51,206,582

I Tax-exempt status
☒ 501(c)(3) ☐ 501(c) () ◀(insert no) ☐ 4947(a)(1) or ☐ 527

J Website: ▶ WWW AQUA ORG

K Form of organization
☒ Corporation ☐ Trust ☐ Association ☐ Other ▶

L Year of formation 1976M State of legal domicile MD

Part I Summary

Activities & Governance

1 Briefly describe the organization's mission or most significant activities
TO INSPIRE CONSERVATION OF THE WORLD'S AQUATIC TREASURES

2 Check this box ☐ if the organization discontinued its operations or disposed of more than 25% of its net assets

3 Number of voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1a)

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

5 Total number of individuals employed in calendar year 2017 (Part V, line 2a)

6 Total number of volunteers (estimate if necessary)

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

7b Net unrelated business taxable income from Form 990-T, line 34

Revenue

8 Contributions and grants (Part VIII, line 1h)

9 Program service revenue (Part VIII, line 2g)

10 Investment income (Part VIII, column (A), lines 3, 4, and 7d)

11 Other revenue (Part VIII, column (A), lines 5, 6d, 8c, 9c, 10c, and 11e)

12 Total revenue—add lines 8 through 11 (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)

Expenses

13 Grants and similar amounts paid (Part IX, column (A), lines 1–3)

14 Benefits paid to or for members (Part IX, column (A), line 4)

15 Salaries, other compensation, employee benefits (Part IX, column (A), lines 5–10)

16a Professional fundraising fees (Part IX, column (A), line 11e)

b Total fundraising expenses (Part IX, column (D), line 25) ▶5,723,937

17 Other expenses (Part IX, column (A), lines 11a–11d, 11f–24e)

18 Total expenses Add lines 13–17 (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)

19 Revenue less expenses Subtract line 18 from line 12

Net Assets or Fund Balances

Prior YearCurrent Year

20 Total assets (Part X, line 16)110,441,224114,299,130

21 Total liabilities (Part X, line 26)35,180,40245,541,282

22 Net assets or fund balances Subtract line 21 from line 2075,260,82268,757,848

Part II Signature Block

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined this return, including accompanying schedules and statements, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete Declaration of preparer (other than officer) is based on all information of which preparer has any knowledge

Sign Here

Signature of officer

2018-10-29
Date

JOHN C RACANELLI CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER
Type or print name and title

Paid Preparer Use Only

Print/Type preparer's name
JULIA FLANNERY

Preparer's signature
JULIA FLANNERY

Date

Check ☐ if self-employedPTIN P00928918

Firm's name ▶ RSM US LLPFirm's EIN ▶ 42-0714325

Firm's address ▶ 100 INTERNATIONAL DRIVE SUITE 1400
BALTIMORE, MD 21202Phone no (410) 246-9301

May the IRS discuss this return with the preparer shown above? (see instructions)☒ Yes ☐ No

For Paperwork Reduction Act Notice, see the separate instructions.

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Part III Statement of Program Service AccomplishmentsCheck if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part III ☒**1** Briefly describe the organization's mission

TO INSPIRE CONSERVATION OF THE WORLD'S AQUATIC TREASURES

2 Did the organization undertake any significant program services during the year which were not listed on the prior Form 990 or 990-EZ? ☐ Yes ☒ No

If "Yes," describe these new services on Schedule O

3 Did the organization cease conducting, or make significant changes in how it conducts, any program services? ☐ Yes ☒ No

If "Yes," describe these changes on Schedule O

4 Describe the organization's program service accomplishments for each of its three largest program services, as measured by expenses. Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations are required to report the amount of grants and allocations to others, the total expenses, and revenue, if any, for each program service reported

4a	(Code)	(Expenses \$ 37,755,668	including grants of \$	(Revenue \$ 36,920,838)
See Additional Data				






















4b	(Code)	(Expenses \$ 7,916,672	including grants of \$ 5,963,777)	(Revenue \$)
See Additional Data				

4c	(Code)	(Expenses \$	including grants of \$	(Revenue \$)
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4d	Other program services (Describe in Schedule O)	(Expenses \$	including grants of \$	(Revenue \$)
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4e	Total program service expenses ▶	45,672,340
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Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules

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

Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules (continued)

	Yes	No
20a Did the organization operate one or more hospital facilities? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule H</i>		No
b If "Yes" to line 20a, did the organization attach a copy of its audited financial statements to this return?		
21 Did the organization report more than \$5,000 of grants or other assistance to any domestic organization or domestic government on Part IX, column (A), line 1? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and II</i>	Yes	
22 Did the organization report more than \$5,000 of grants or other assistance to or for domestic individuals on Part IX, column (A), line 2? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and III</i>	Yes	
23 Did the organization answer "Yes" to Part VII, Section A, line 3, 4, or 5 about compensation of the organization's current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, and highest compensated employees? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J</i>	Yes	
24a Did the organization have a tax-exempt bond issue with an outstanding principal amount of more than \$100,000 as of the last day of the year, that was issued after December 31, 2002? <i>If "Yes," answer lines 24b through 24d and complete Schedule K. If "No," go to line 25a</i>	Yes	
b Did the organization invest any proceeds of tax-exempt bonds beyond a temporary period exception?		No
c Did the organization maintain an escrow account other than a refunding escrow at any time during the year to defease any tax-exempt bonds?		No
d Did the organization act as an "on behalf of" issuer for bonds outstanding at any time during the year?		No
25a Section 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations. Did the organization engage in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person during the year? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I</i>		No
b Is the organization aware that it engaged in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person in a prior year, and that the transaction has not been reported on any of the organization's prior Forms 990 or 990-EZ? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I</i>		No
26 Did the organization report any amount on Part X, line 5, 6, or 22 for receivables from or payables to any current or former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, highest compensated employees, or disqualified persons? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part II</i>		No
27 Did the organization provide a grant or other assistance to an officer, director, trustee, key employee, substantial contributor or employee thereof, a grant selection committee member, or to a 35% controlled entity or family member of any of these persons? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part III</i>		No
28 Was the organization a party to a business transaction with one of the following parties (see Schedule L, Part IV instructions for applicable filing thresholds, conditions, and exceptions)		
a A current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV</i>		No
b A family member of a current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV</i>		No
c An entity of which a current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee (or a family member thereof) was an officer, director, trustee, or direct or indirect owner? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV</i>		No
29 Did the organization receive more than \$25,000 in non-cash contributions? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule M</i>	Yes	
30 Did the organization receive contributions of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets, or qualified conservation contributions? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule M</i>		No
31 Did the organization liquidate, terminate, or dissolve and cease operations? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part I</i>		No
32 Did the organization sell, exchange, dispose of, or transfer more than 25% of its net assets? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part II</i>		No
33 Did the organization own 100% of an entity disregarded as separate from the organization under Regulations sections 301.7701-2 and 301.7701-3? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part I</i>	Yes	
34 Was the organization related to any tax-exempt or taxable entity? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part II, III, or IV, and Part V, line 1</i>	Yes	
35a Did the organization have a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)?	Yes	
b If "Yes" to line 35a, did the organization receive any payment from or engage in any transaction with a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2</i>	Yes	
36 Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2</i>		No
37 Did the organization conduct more than 5% of its activities through an entity that is not a related organization and that is treated as a partnership for federal income tax purposes? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part VI</i>		No
38 Did the organization complete Schedule O and provide explanations in Schedule O for Part VI, lines 11b and 19? Note. All Form 990 filers are required to complete Schedule O	Yes	

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

		Yes	No
1a	Enter the number reported in Box 3 of Form 1096 Enter -0- if not applicable	1a	100
b	Enter the number of Forms W-2G included in line 1a Enter -0- if not applicable	1b	0
c	Did the organization comply with backup withholding rules for reportable payments to vendors and reportable gaming (gambling) winnings to prize winners?	1c	Yes
2a	Enter the number of employees reported on Form W-3, Transmittal of Wage and Tax Statements, filed for the calendar year ending with or within the year covered by this return	2a	556
b	If at least one is reported on line 2a, did the organization file all required federal employment tax returns? Note. If the sum of lines 1a and 2a is greater than 250, you may be required to e-file (see instructions)	2b	Yes
3a	Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year?	3a	Yes
b	If "Yes," has it filed a Form 990-T for this year? If "No" to line 3b, provide an explanation in Schedule O	3b	Yes
4a	At any time during the calendar year, did the organization have an interest in, or a signature or other authority over, a financial account in a foreign country (such as a bank account, securities account, or other financial account)?	4a	No
b	If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country ▶ _____ See instructions for filing requirements for FinCEN Form 114, Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts (FBAR)		
5a	Was the organization a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction at any time during the tax year?	5a	No
b	Did any taxable party notify the organization that it was or is a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction?	5b	No
c	If "Yes," to line 5a or 5b, did the organization file Form 8886-T?	5c	
6a	Does the organization have annual gross receipts that are normally greater than \$100,000, and did the organization solicit any contributions that were not tax deductible as charitable contributions?	6a	No
b	If "Yes," did the organization include with every solicitation an express statement that such contributions or gifts were not tax deductible?	6b	
7	Organizations that may receive deductible contributions under section 170(c).		
a	Did the organization receive a payment in excess of \$75 made partly as a contribution and partly for goods and services provided to the payor?	7a	Yes
b	If "Yes," did the organization notify the donor of the value of the goods or services provided?	7b	Yes
c	Did the organization sell, exchange, or otherwise dispose of tangible personal property for which it was required to file Form 8282?	7c	No
d	If "Yes," indicate the number of Forms 8282 filed during the year	7d	
e	Did the organization receive any funds, directly or indirectly, to pay premiums on a personal benefit contract?	7e	No
f	Did the organization, during the year, pay premiums, directly or indirectly, on a personal benefit contract?	7f	No
g	If the organization received a contribution of qualified intellectual property, did the organization file Form 8899 as required?	7g	
h	If the organization received a contribution of cars, boats, airplanes, or other vehicles, did the organization file a Form 1098-C?	7h	
8	Sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds. Did a donor advised fund maintained by the sponsoring organization have excess business holdings at any time during the year?	8	
9a	Did the sponsoring organization make any taxable distributions under section 4966?	9a	
b	Did the sponsoring organization make a distribution to a donor, donor advisor, or related person?	9b	
10	Section 501(c)(7) organizations. Enter		
a	Initiation fees and capital contributions included on Part VIII, line 12	10a	
b	Gross receipts, included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, for public use of club facilities	10b	
11	Section 501(c)(12) organizations. Enter		
a	Gross income from members or shareholders	11a	
b	Gross income from other sources (Do not net amounts due or paid to other sources against amounts due or received from them)	11b	
12a	Section 4947(a)(1) non-exempt charitable trusts. Is the organization filing Form 990 in lieu of Form 1041?	12a	
b	If "Yes," enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the year	12b	
13	Section 501(c)(29) qualified nonprofit health insurance issuers.		
a	Is the organization licensed to issue qualified health plans in more than one state? Note. See the instructions for additional information the organization must report on Schedule O	13a	
b	Enter the amount of reserves the organization is required to maintain by the states in which the organization is licensed to issue qualified health plans	13b	
c	Enter the amount of reserves on hand	13c	
14a	Did the organization receive any payments for indoor tanning services during the tax year?	14a	No
b	If "Yes," has it filed a Form 720 to report these payments? If "No," provide an explanation in Schedule O	14b	

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

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

Section A. Governing Body and Management

		Yes	No
1a	Enter the number of voting members of the governing body at the end of the tax year	22	
If there are material differences in voting rights among members of the governing body, or if the governing body delegated broad authority to an executive committee or similar committee, explain in Schedule O			
b	Enter the number of voting members included in line 1a, above, who are independent	22	
2	Did any officer, director, trustee, or key employee have a family relationship or a business relationship with any other officer, director, trustee, or key employee?	2	No
3	Did the organization delegate control over management duties customarily performed by or under the direct supervision of officers, directors or trustees, or key employees to a management company or other person?	3	No
4	Did the organization make any significant changes to its governing documents since the prior Form 990 was filed?	4	No
5	Did the organization become aware during the year of a significant diversion of the organization's assets?	5	No
6	Did the organization have members or stockholders?	6	No
7a	Did the organization have members, stockholders, or other persons who had the power to elect or appoint one or more members of the governing body?	7a	No
b	Are any governance decisions of the organization reserved to (or subject to approval by) members, stockholders, or persons other than the governing body?	7b	No
8	Did the organization contemporaneously document the meetings held or written actions undertaken during the year by the following		
a	The governing body?	8a	Yes
b	Each committee with authority to act on behalf of the governing body?	8b	Yes
9	Is there any officer, director, trustee, or key employee listed in Part VII, Section A, who cannot be reached at the organization's mailing address? If "Yes," provide the names and addresses in Schedule O	9	No

Section B. Policies (This Section B requests information about policies not required by the Internal Revenue Code.)

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

Section C. Disclosure

17 List the States with which a copy of this Form 990 is required to be filed: **AK, AL, AR, CA, CO, CT, DC, FL, GA, IL, KS, KY, MA, MD, ME, MI, MS, MN, NC, ND, NJ, NH, NM, NV, NY, OH, OK, PA, RI, SC, TN, UT, VA, WA, WI, WV, OR**

18 Section 6104 requires an organization to make its Form 1023 (or 1024 if applicable), 990, and 990-T (501(c)(3)s only) available for public inspection. Indicate how you made these available. Check all that apply.
☒ Own website ☒ Another's website ☒ Upon request ☐ Other (explain in Schedule O)

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

20 State the name, address, and telephone number of the person who possesses the organization's books and records.
▶ WILLIAM S HARRISON 111 MARKET PL STE 800 BALTIMORE, MD 21202 (410) 576-1187

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

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

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1b Sub-Total			
c Total from continuation sheets to Part VII, Section A			
d Total (add lines 1b and 1c)	3,084,883	0	384,611

<p>2 Total number of individuals (including but not limited to those listed above) who received more than \$100,000 of reportable compensation from the organization ► 22</p>		
<p>3 Did the organization list any former officer, director or trustee, key employee, or highest compensated employee on line 1a? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual</i></p>	3	No
<p>4 For any individual listed on line 1a, is the sum of reportable compensation and other compensation from the organization and related organizations greater than \$150,000? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual</i></p>	4	Yes
<p>5 Did any person listed on line 1a receive or accrue compensation from any unrelated organization or individual for services rendered to the organization? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such person</i></p>	5	No

Section B. Independent Contractors

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

(A) Name and business address	(B) Description of services	(C) Compensation
IMPACTS RESEARCH & DEVELOPMENT LLC 3720 FALCON RIDGE DR MEDINA, OH 44256	ADVERTISING	1,800,000
JOHNSON CONTROLS PO BOX 730068 DALLAS, TX 75373	FACILITY MAINTENANCE	861,534
IWERKS ENTERTAINMENT INC 27509 AVENUE HOPKINS SANTA CLARITA, CA 91355	4D THEATER SERVICES	492,668
AYERS SAINT GROSS INC 1040 HULL STREET STE 100 BALTIMORE, MD 21230	DESIGN SERVICES	486,705
FIN PRODUCTIONS LLC 1223 OCEAN VIEW BLVD PACIFIC GROVE, CA 93950	FILM PRODUCTION	449,974

<p>2 Total number of independent contractors (including but not limited to those listed above) who received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization ► 35</p>	
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Part VIII **Statement of Revenue**

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

			(A) Total revenue	(B) Related or exempt function revenue	(C) Unrelated business revenue	(D) Revenue excluded from tax under sections 512-514	
Contributions, Gifts, Grants and Other Similar Amounts	1a Federated campaigns . . .	1a					
	b Membership dues . . .	1b					
	c Fundraising events . . .	1c					
	d Related organizations	1d	5,570,320				
	e Government grants (contributions)	1e	1,609,731				
	f All other contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts not included above	1f	4,288,809				
	g Noncash contributions included in lines 1a-1f \$ <u>553,242</u>						
	h Total. Add lines 1a-1f ▶		11,468,860				
Program Service Revenue			Business Code				
	2a ADMISSIONS		713990	26,052,753	26,052,753		
	b MEMBERSHIP FEES		900099	5,072,626	5,072,626		
	c CONSIGNMENT		713990	1,531,335	1,531,335		
	d SCHOOL GROUPS		900099	1,141,638	1,141,638		
	e IMMERSION TOURS		713990	962,361	962,361		
	f All other program service revenue			2,335,811	1,650,347	685,464	
	g Total. Add lines 2a-2f ▶		37,096,524				
Other Revenue	3 Investment income (including dividends, interest, and other similar amounts) ▶		117,216			117,216	
	4 Income from investment of tax-exempt bond proceeds ▶						
	5 Royalties ▶						
	6a Gross rents	(i) Real	(ii) Personal				
			68,952				
		b Less rental expenses	0				
		c Rental income or (loss)	68,952				
	d Net rental income or (loss) ▶		68,952			68,952	
	7a Gross amount from sales of assets other than inventory	(i) Securities	(ii) Other				
		b Less cost or other basis and sales expenses					
		c Gain or (loss)					
	d Net gain or (loss) ▶						
	8a Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ _____ of contributions reported on line 1c) See Part IV, line 18 a						
	b Less direct expenses b						
	c Net income or (loss) from fundraising events . . . ▶						
	9a Gross income from gaming activities See Part IV, line 19 a						
	b Less direct expenses b						
	c Net income or (loss) from gaming activities . . . ▶						
	10a Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances . . . a						
b Less cost of goods sold . . . b							
c Net income or (loss) from sales of inventory . . . ▶							
Miscellaneous Revenue		Business Code					
11a COMMISSION		722320	1,454,525			1,454,525	
b PHOTOS		900004	509,778	509,778			
c FOOD SERVICE		722100	368,938		55,830	313,108	
d All other revenue			121,789			121,789	
e Total. Add lines 11a-11d ▶			2,455,030				
12 Total revenue. See Instructions ▶			51,206,582	36,920,838	741,294	2,075,590	

Part IX Statement of Functional Expenses

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

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part IX ☐**Do not include amounts reported on lines 6b, 7b, 8b, 9b, and 10b of Part VIII.**

	(A) Total expenses	(B) Program service expenses	(C) Management and general expenses	(D) Fundraising expenses
1 Grants and other assistance to domestic organizations and domestic governments. See Part IV, line 21.	5,956,627	5,956,627		
2 Grants and other assistance to domestic individuals. See Part IV, line 22.	7,150	7,150		
3 Grants and other assistance to foreign organizations, foreign governments, and foreign individuals. See Part IV, line 15 and 16.				
4 Benefits paid to or for members.				
5 Compensation of current officers, directors, trustees, and key employees.	2,702,926	957,204	1,303,657	442,065
6 Compensation not included above, to disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)) and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B).				
7 Other salaries and wages.	15,718,266	13,091,294	662,936	1,964,036
8 Pension plan accruals and contributions (include section 401(k) and 403(b) employer contributions).	391,370	344,193	164	47,013
9 Other employee benefits.	1,558,214	1,015,147	333,559	209,508
10 Payroll taxes.	1,057,241	931,396	1,039	124,806
11 Fees for services (non-employees):				
a Management.	261,079	153,603	29,766	77,710
b Legal.	72,750	42,802	8,294	21,654
c Accounting.	96,230	56,616	10,971	28,643
d Lobbying.	67,389		67,389	
e Professional fundraising services. See Part IV, line 17.	188,369			188,369
f Investment management fees.				
g Other (If line 11g amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A) amount, list line 11g expenses on Schedule O).	5,725,177	4,195,015	596,562	933,600
12 Advertising and promotion.	3,723,644	2,287,380	1,272,791	163,473
13 Office expenses.	1,055,116	689,681	141,350	224,085
14 Information technology.	875,513	642,394	147,454	85,665
15 Royalties.				
16 Occupancy.	4,461,001	4,298,389	67,486	95,126
17 Travel.	621,912	451,243	116,152	54,517
18 Payments of travel or entertainment expenses for any federal, state, or local public officials.				
19 Conferences, conventions, and meetings.	92,542	71,089	12,708	8,745
20 Interest.	688,614	51,463	637,151	
21 Payments to affiliates.				
22 Depreciation, depletion, and amortization.	9,934,900	8,328,110	714,492	892,298
23 Insurance.	432,387	362,232	31,557	38,598
24 Other expenses. Itemize expenses not covered above (List miscellaneous expenses in line 24e. If line 24e amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A) amount, list line 24e expenses on Schedule O):				
a ANIMAL SPECIFIC SUPPLIE	868,495	868,495		
b BUILDING & EXHIBIT SUPP	656,330	656,330		
c				
d				
e All other expenses	431,818	214,487	93,305	124,026
25 Total functional expenses. Add lines 1 through 24e.	57,645,060	45,672,340	6,248,783	5,723,937
26 Joint costs. Complete this line only if the organization reported in column (B) joint costs from a combined educational campaign and fundraising solicitation. Check here <input type="checkbox"/> if following SOP 98-2 (ASC 958-720)				

Part X Balance SheetCheck if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part IX ☐

				(A) Beginning of year		(B) End of year
Assets	1	Cash—non-interest-bearing		6,737,719	1	7,064,131
	2	Savings and temporary cash investments			2	
	3	Pledges and grants receivable, net		3,211,096	3	2,522,192
	4	Accounts receivable, net		537,136	4	321,214
	5	Loans and other receivables from current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, and highest compensated employees. Complete Part II of Schedule L			5	
	6	Loans and other receivables from other disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)), persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B), and contributing employers and sponsoring organizations of section 501(c)(9) voluntary employees' beneficiary organizations (see instructions). Complete Part II of Schedule L			6	
	7	Notes and loans receivable, net			7	13,613,540
	8	Inventories for sale or use			8	
	9	Prepaid expenses and deferred charges		633,381	9	754,760
	10a	Land, buildings, and equipment—cost or other basis. Complete Part VI of Schedule D	10a	205,291,449		
	b	Less: accumulated depreciation	10b	115,569,318		
				98,867,283	10c	89,722,131
	11	Investments—publicly traded securities			11	
	12	Investments—other securities. See Part IV, line 11			12	
	13	Investments—program-related. See Part IV, line 11			13	
	14	Intangible assets			14	
15	Other assets. See Part IV, line 11		454,609	15	301,162	
16	Total assets. Add lines 1 through 15 (must equal line 34)		110,441,224	16	114,299,130	
Liabilities	17	Accounts payable and accrued expenses		3,808,116	17	2,801,788
	18	Grants payable			18	
	19	Deferred revenue		3,306,289	19	3,687,610
	20	Tax-exempt bond liabilities		18,188,494	20	16,309,764
	21	Escrow or custodial account liability. Complete Part IV of Schedule D			21	
	22	Loans and other payables to current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, highest compensated employees, and disqualified persons. Complete Part II of Schedule L			22	
	23	Secured mortgages and notes payable to unrelated third parties		5,418,835	23	17,382,062
	24	Unsecured notes and loans payable to unrelated third parties			24	
	25	Other liabilities (including federal income tax, payables to related third parties, and other liabilities not included on lines 17-24). Complete Part X of Schedule D		4,458,668	25	5,360,058
	26	Total liabilities. Add lines 17 through 25		35,180,402	26	45,541,282
Net Assets or Fund Balances	Organizations that follow SFAS 117 (ASC 958), check here <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 27 through 29, and lines 33 and 34.					
	27	Unrestricted net assets		71,379,563	27	65,721,587
	28	Temporarily restricted net assets		3,881,259	28	3,036,261
	29	Permanently restricted net assets			29	
	Organizations that do not follow SFAS 117 (ASC 958), check here <input type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 30 through 34.					
	30	Capital stock or trust principal, or current funds			30	
	31	Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, building or equipment fund			31	
	32	Retained earnings, endowment, accumulated income, or other funds			32	
	33	Total net assets or fund balances		75,260,822	33	68,757,848
34	Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances		110,441,224	34	114,299,130	

Part XI Reconciliation of Net AssetsCheck if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part XI ☒

1	Total revenue (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	1	51,206,582
2	Total expenses (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	2	57,645,060
3	Revenue less expenses Subtract line 2 from line 1	3	-6,438,478
4	Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (must equal Part X, line 33, column (A))	4	75,260,822
5	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	5	
6	Donated services and use of facilities	6	
7	Investment expenses	7	
8	Prior period adjustments	8	
9	Other changes in net assets or fund balances (explain in Schedule O)	9	-64,496
10	Net assets or fund balances at end of year Combine lines 3 through 9 (must equal Part X, line 33, column (B))	10	68,757,848

Part XII Financial Statements and ReportingCheck if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part XII ☐

	Yes	No
1 Accounting method used to prepare the Form 990 <input type="checkbox"/> Cash <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Accrual <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ If the organization changed its method of accounting from a prior year or checked "Other," explain in Schedule O		
2a Were the organization's financial statements compiled or reviewed by an independent accountant? If 'Yes,' check a box below to indicate whether the financial statements for the year were compiled or reviewed on a separate basis, consolidated basis, or both <input type="checkbox"/> Separate basis <input type="checkbox"/> Consolidated basis <input type="checkbox"/> Both consolidated and separate basis		No
b Were the organization's financial statements audited by an independent accountant? If 'Yes,' check a box below to indicate whether the financial statements for the year were audited on a separate basis, consolidated basis, or both <input type="checkbox"/> Separate basis <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Consolidated basis <input type="checkbox"/> Both consolidated and separate basis	Yes	
c If "Yes," to line 2a or 2b, does the organization have a committee that assumes responsibility for oversight of the audit, review, or compilation of its financial statements and selection of an independent accountant? If the organization changed either its oversight process or selection process during the tax year, explain in Schedule O	Yes	
3a As a result of a federal award, was the organization required to undergo an audit or audits as set forth in the Single Audit Act and OMB Circular A-133?		No
b If "Yes," did the organization undergo the required audit or audits? If the organization did not undergo the required audit or audits, explain why in Schedule O and describe any steps taken to undergo such audits		

Additional Data

Software ID:
Software Version:
EIN: 52-1121163
Name: NATIONAL AQUARIUM INC

Form 990 (2017)

Form 990, Part III, Line 4a:

AQUARIUM EXPERIENCE THE NATIONAL AQUARIUM IS LOCATED IN THE HEART OF THE INNER HARBOR IN BALTIMORE, MARYLAND SITUATED ON TWO CITY PIERS WITH THE CHESAPEAKE BAY ON EITHER SIDE, THE AQUARIUM FEATURES THREE PAVILIONS AND A LIVING COLLECTION THAT INCLUDES MORE THAN 20,000 ANIMALS FROM MORE THAN 800 SPECIES OF FISH, BIRDS, AMPHIBIANS, REPTILES AND MAMMALS IN AWARD-WINNING HABITATS THE NATIONAL AQUARIUM IS MARYLAND'S LARGEST PAID TOURIST ATTRACTION, WELCOMING MORE THAN 1.3 MILLION VISITORS ANNUALLY MORE THAN 50 MILLION GUESTS HAVE VISITED THE AQUARIUM SINCE IT OPENED IN 1981, AND AQUARIUM STAFF MEMBERS ARE COMMITTED TO GOING TO EXTRAORDINARY LENGTHS TO DELIGHT GUESTS AND INSPIRE THEM TO ACT TO CONSERVE THE WORLD'S AQUATIC TREASURES AS AN ORGANIZATION ACCREDITED BY THE ASSOCIATION OF ZOOS AND AQUARIUMS (AZA), THE NATIONAL AQUARIUM MAINTAINS THE HIGHEST POSSIBLE STANDARDS OF EXCELLENCE IN ALL ASPECTS OF ANIMAL CARE IN ORDER TO ADVANCE ANIMAL HEALTH, HUSBANDRY AND WELFARE PRACTICES IN ADDITION TO PROVIDING THE BEST POSSIBLE CARE FOR ALL ANIMALS AT THE AQUARIUM, STAFF CONDUCT SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH AND FIELD WORK TO SUPPORT SPECIES AND HABITAT CONSERVATION, WITH A STRONG EMPHASIS ON THE CHESAPEAKE BAY CURRENT EXHIBITS AT THE NATIONAL AQUARIUM INCLUDE AMAZON RIVER FOREST, ATLANTIC CORAL REEF, ATLANTIC TO PACIFIC, AUSTRALIA WILD EXTREMES, BLACKTIP REEF, DOLPHIN DISCOVERY, JELLIES INVASION, LIVING SEASHORE, MARYLAND EXPERIENCE, SHARK ALLEY, SURVIVING ADAPTATION, TROPICAL RAINFOREST, HARRY AND JEANETTE WEINBERG WATERFRONT PARK, AND THE 4D IMMERSION THEATER

Form 990, Part III, Line 4b:

CONSERVATION & SCIENCE THE NATIONAL AQUARIUM IS A NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION FOCUSED ON CHANGING THE WAY HUMANITY CARES FOR THE OCEAN WHAT BEGAN OVER 35 YEARS AGO AS A VISITOR ATTRACTION HAS EVOLVED INTO A CONSERVATION ORGANIZATION THAT OPERATES A WORLD-CLASS AQUARIUM THROUGH UNPARALLELED EXHIBITS, SCIENCE-BASED EDUCATION PROGRAMS AND HANDS-ON FIELD INITIATIVES, WE ARE CREATING A NEW COMMUNITY OF HOPEFUL CONSERVATIONISTS, DRIVEN BY OUR MISSION TO INSPIRE CONSERVATION OF THE WORLD'S AQUATIC TREASURES WE ARE AT THE FOREFRONT OF EFFORTS TO INCREASE PUBLIC AWARENESS OF THE CHALLENGES FACING OUR COASTS AND OCEANS AND TO LEAD DIRECT ACTION TO IMPROVE THE HEALTH OF THE BALTIMORE HARBOR, THE CHESAPEAKE BAY AND OCEANS AROUND THE WORLD THE NATIONAL AQUARIUM IS ALSO COMMITTED TO EDUCATING STUDENTS OF ALL AGES ABOUT THE ENVIRONMENT AND THE OCEAN BY GETTING THEIR BOOTS WET AND THEIR HANDS DIRTY, STUDENTS WHO PARTICIPATE IN THE NATIONAL AQUARIUM'S EDUCATION PROGRAMS HAVE OPPORTUNITIES TO EXPLORE THEIR SKILLS AND INTERESTS, AND MAKE EMOTIONAL CONNECTIONS TO THE ENVIRONMENT AND OUR BLUE PLANET MORE THAN 56,000 MARYLAND STUDENTS VISIT THE NATIONAL AQUARIUM FREE OF CHARGE EACH YEAR, WHERE THEY BECOME IMMERSED IN THE WORLD OF WATER AND LEARN MORE ABOUT PROTECTING ANIMALS AND THEIR HABITATS

Form 990, Part VII - Compensation of Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, Highest Compensated Employees, and Independent Contractors										
(A) Name and Title	(B) Average hours per week (list any hours for related organizations below dotted line)	(C) Position (do not check more than one box, unless person is both an officer and a director/trustee)						(D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W- 2/1099-MISC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W- 2/1099-MISC)	(F) Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations
		Individual trustee or director	Institutional Trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former			
THOMAS ROBINSON CHAIR	5 00	X		X				0	0	0
JANE DROPPA VICE CHAIR	1 00	X		X				0	0	0
TAMIKA LANGLEY TREMAGLIO VICE CHAIR	1 00	X		X				0	0	0
DAVID CHURCHILL DIRECTOR, TREASURER	1 00	X		X				0	0	0
JENNIFER REYNOLDS DIRECTOR	2 00	X						0	0	0
TIMOTHY ADAMS DIRECTOR	1 00	X						0	0	0
MARC BUNTING DIRECTOR	1 00	X						0	0	0
KEITH CAMPBELL DIRECTOR	1 00	X						0	0	0
COLLEEN DILLENSCHNEIDER DIRECTOR	1 00	X						0	0	0
NANCY GRASMICK DIRECTOR	1 00	X						0	0	0

Form 990, Part VII - Compensation of Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, Highest Compensated Employees, and Independent Contractors										
(A) Name and Title	(B) Average hours per week (list any hours for related organizations below dotted line)	(C) Position (do not check more than one box, unless person is both an officer and a director/trustee)						(D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W- 2/1099-MISC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W- 2/1099-MISC)	(F) Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations
		Individual trustee or director	Institutional Trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former			
MOHANNAD JISHI DIRECTOR	1 00	X						0	0	0
JOSEPH NIGRO DIRECTOR	1 00	X						0	0	0
MARIANELA PERALTA DIRECTOR	1 00	X						0	0	0
CHARLES PHILLIPS DIRECTOR	1 00	X						0	0	0
DIANA RAMSEY DIRECTOR	1 00	X						0	0	0
CHUCK TILDON DIRECTOR	1 00	X						0	0	0
JACQUELINE ULMAN DIRECTOR	1 00	X						0	0	0
C ELIZABETH WAGNER DIRECTOR	1 00 2 00	X						0	0	0
JOHN S BREMER PE DIRECTOR	1 00	X						0	0	0
ENRIC SALA DIRECTOR	1 00	X						0	0	0

Form 990, Part VII - Compensation of Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, Highest Compensated Employees, and Independent Contractors										
(A) Name and Title	(B) Average hours per week (list any hours for related organizations below dotted line)	(C) Position (do not check more than one box, unless person is both an officer and a director/trustee)						(D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W- 2/1099-MISC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W- 2/1099-MISC)	(F) Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations
		Individual trustee or director	Institutional Trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former			
EDWARD WIESE DIRECTOR	1 00	X						0	0	0
STEPHANIE RAWLINGS-BLAKE DIRECTOR	1 00	X						0	0	0
JOHN C RACANELLI PRESIDENT/CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER	34 00			X				505,563	0	116,575
WILLIAM HARRISON SVP/CFO	6 00 38 00			X				206,952	0	31,317
CANDACE OSUNSADE SEC/SVP/CHIEF ADMINISTRATION OFFICER	2 00 39 00			X				223,154	0	27,524
DALE SCHMIDT EVP/CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER	1 00 40 00				X			313,910	0	29,961
MARGOT AMELIA SVP/CHIEF MARKETING OFFICER	40 00				X			227,310	0	22,291
KRIS HOELLEN SVP/CHIEF CONSERVATION OFFICER	40 00				X			209,264	0	21,805
SCOTT MELTON SVP/CHIEF PHILANTHROPY OFFICER	40 00				X			209,168	0	13,497
KATHLEEN SHER SVP/EXTERNAL AFFAIRS	40 00				X			186,257	0	17,930

Form 990, Part VII - Compensation of Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, Highest Compensated Employees, and Independent Contractors										
(A) Name and Title	(B) Average hours per week (list any hours for related organizations below dotted line)	(C) Position (do not check more than one box, unless person is both an officer and a director/trustee)						(D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W- 2/1099-MISC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W- 2/1099-MISC)	(F) Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations
		Individual trustee or director	Institutional Trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former			
BRENT WHITAKER SVP/ANIMAL SCIENCE & WELFARE	40 00				X			170,326	0	26,093
JACQUELINE BERSHAD VP PLANNING & DESIGN	40 00				X			154,938	0	5,450
SAM TAWIAH VP INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY	40 00					X		159,039	0	26,735
MEGAN RILEY VP FINANCE	39 00 1 00					X		139,547	0	4,733
CHARLES MYERS VP GUEST SERVICES	40 00					X		131,576	0	11,981
JENNIFER DRIBAN VP GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS	40 00					X		126,883	0	22,454
SCOTT PERICH LONG RANGE PLANNING DIRECTOR	40 00					X		120,996	0	6,265

SCHEDULE A
(Form 990 or 990EZ)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Name of the organization
NATIONAL AQUARIUM INC

Public Charity Status and Public Support

Complete if the organization is a section 501(c)(3) organization or a section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust.
▶ Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ.
▶ Information about Schedule A (Form 990 or 990-EZ) and its instructions is at www.irs.gov/form990.

OMB No 1545-0047

2017

Open to Public Inspection

Employer identification number
52-1121163

Part I Reason for Public Charity Status (All organizations must complete this part.) See instructions.

The organization is not a private foundation because it is (For lines 1 through 12, check only one box)

- 1

☐

A church, convention of churches, or association of churches described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(i).**
- 2

☐

A school described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii).** (Attach Schedule E (Form 990 or 990-EZ))
- 3

☐

A hospital or a cooperative hospital service organization described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii).**
- 4

☐

A medical research organization operated in conjunction with a hospital described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii).** Enter the hospital's name, city, and state _____
- 5

☐

An organization operated for the benefit of a college or university owned or operated by a governmental unit described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iv).** (Complete Part II)
- 6

☐

A federal, state, or local government or governmental unit described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(v).**
- 7

☐

An organization that normally receives a substantial part of its support from a governmental unit or from the general public described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi).** (Complete Part II)
- 8

☐

A community trust described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi)** (Complete Part II)
- 9

☐

An agricultural research organization described in **170(b)(1)(A)(ix)** operated in conjunction with a land-grant college or university or a non-land grant college of agriculture See instructions Enter the name, city, and state of the college or university _____
- 10

☒

An organization that normally receives (1) more than 33 1/3% of its support from contributions, membership fees, and gross receipts from activities related to its exempt functions—subject to certain exceptions, and (2) no more than 33 1/3% of its support from gross investment income and unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 tax) from businesses acquired by the organization after June 30, 1975 See **section 509(a)(2).** (Complete Part III)
- 11

☐

An organization organized and operated exclusively to test for public safety See **section 509(a)(4).**
- 12

☐

An organization organized and operated exclusively for the benefit of, to perform the functions of, or to carry out the purposes of one or more publicly supported organizations described in **section 509(a)(1)** or **section 509(a)(2).** See **section 509(a)(3).** Check the box in lines 12a through 12d that describes the type of supporting organization and complete lines 12e, 12f, and 12g
- a

☐

Type I. A supporting organization operated, supervised, or controlled by its supported organization(s), typically by giving the supported organization(s) the power to regularly appoint or elect a majority of the directors or trustees of the supporting organization **You must complete Part IV, Sections A and B.**
- b

☐

Type II. A supporting organization supervised or controlled in connection with its supported organization(s), by having control or management of the supporting organization vested in the same persons that control or manage the supported organization(s) **You must complete Part IV, Sections A and C.**
- c

☐

Type III functionally integrated. A supporting organization operated in connection with, and functionally integrated with, its supported organization(s) (see instructions) **You must complete Part IV, Sections A, D, and E.**
- d

☐

Type III non-functionally integrated. A supporting organization operated in connection with its supported organization(s) that is not functionally integrated The organization generally must satisfy a distribution requirement and an attentiveness requirement (see instructions) **You must complete Part IV, Sections A and D, and Part V.**
- e

☐

Check this box if the organization received a written determination from the IRS that it is a Type I, Type II, Type III functionally integrated, or Type III non-functionally integrated supporting organization
- f

Enter the number of supported organizations _____
- g

Provide the following information about the supported organization(s)

(i) Name of supported organization	(ii) EIN	(iii) Type of organization (described on lines 1- 10 above (see instructions))	(iv) Is the organization listed in your governing document?		(v) Amount of monetary support (see instructions)	(vi) Amount of other support (see instructions)
			Yes	No		
Total						

Part II

Support Schedule for Organizations Described in Sections 170(b)(1)(A)(iv), 170(b)(1)(A)(vi), and 170(b)(1)(A)(ix)
(Complete only if you checked the box on line 5, 7, 8, or 9 of Part I or if the organization failed to qualify under Part III. If the organization fails to qualify under the tests listed below, please complete Part III.)

Section A. Public Support							
	Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ►	(a) 2013	(b) 2014	(c) 2015	(d) 2016	(e) 2017	(f) Total
1	Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received (Do not include any "unusual grant ")						
2	Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf						
3	The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge						
4	Total. Add lines 1 through 3						
5	The portion of total contributions by each person (other than a governmental unit or publicly supported organization) included on line 1 that exceeds 2% of the amount shown on line 11, column (f)						
6	Public support. Subtract line 5 from line 4						

Section B. Total Support							
Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ►		(a)2013	(b)2014	(c)2015	(d)2016	(e)2017	(f)Total
7	Amounts from line 4						
8	Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources						
9	Net income from unrelated business activities, whether or not the business is regularly carried on						
10	Other income Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part VI)						
11	Total support. Add lines 7 through 10						
12	Gross receipts from related activities, etc (see instructions)					12	
13	First five years. If the Form 990 is for the organization's first, second, third, fourth, or fifth tax year as a section 501(c)(3) organization, check this box and stop here ► <input type="checkbox"/>						

Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage		
14	Public support percentage for 2017 (line 6, column (f) divided by line 11, column (f))	14
15	Public support percentage for 2016 Schedule A, Part II, line 14	15
16a	33 1/3% support test—2017. If the organization did not check the box on line 13, and line 14 is 33 1/3% or more, check this box and stop here. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization ► <input type="checkbox"/>	
b	33 1/3% support test—2016. If the organization did not check a box on line 13 or 16a, and line 15 is 33 1/3% or more, check this box and stop here. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization ► <input type="checkbox"/>	
17a	10%-facts-and-circumstances test—2017. If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, or 16b, and line 14 is 10% or more, and if the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test, check this box and stop here. Explain in Part VI how the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization ► <input type="checkbox"/>	
b	10%-facts-and-circumstances test—2016. If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, 16b, or 17a, and line 15 is 10% or more, and if the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test, check this box and stop here. Explain in Part VI how the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization ► <input type="checkbox"/>	
18	Private foundation. If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, 16b, 17a, or 17b, check this box and see instructions ► <input type="checkbox"/>	

Part III Support Schedule for Organizations Described in Section 509(a)(2)

(Complete only if you checked the box on line 10 of Part I or if the organization failed to qualify under Part II. If the organization fails to qualify under the tests listed below, please complete Part II.)

Section A. Public Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ►		(a) 2013	(b) 2014	(c) 2015	(d) 2016	(e) 2017	(f) Total
1	Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received (Do not include any "unusual grants.")	8,530,897	16,219,573	8,004,226	9,014,798	11,468,860	53,238,354
2	Gross receipts from admissions, merchandise sold or services performed, or facilities furnished in any activity that is related to the organization's tax-exempt purpose	32,885,184	32,441,676	31,984,299	35,196,495	36,411,060	168,918,714
3	Gross receipts from activities that are not an unrelated trade or business under section 513						
4	Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf						
5	The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge						
6	Total. Add lines 1 through 5	41,416,081	48,661,249	39,988,525	44,211,293	47,879,920	222,157,068
7a	Amounts included on lines 1, 2, and 3 received from disqualified persons	700,947	1,428,527	337,501	515,857	234,828	3,217,660
b	Amounts included on lines 2 and 3 received from other than disqualified persons that exceed the greater of \$5,000 or 1% of the amount on line 13 for the year						0
c	Add lines 7a and 7b	700,947	1,428,527	337,501	515,857	234,828	3,217,660
8	Public support. (Subtract line 7c from line 6.)						218,939,408

Section B. Total Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ►		(a) 2013	(b) 2014	(c) 2015	(d) 2016	(e) 2017	(f) Total
9	Amounts from line 6	41,416,081	48,661,249	39,988,525	44,211,293	47,879,920	222,157,068
10a	Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources	70,000	67,500	69,792	78,333	186,168	471,793
b	Unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 taxes) from businesses acquired after June 30, 1975						
c	Add lines 10a and 10b	70,000	67,500	69,792	78,333	186,168	471,793
11	Net income from unrelated business activities not included in line 10b, whether or not the business is regularly carried on						
12	Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part VI.)						
13	Total support. (Add lines 9, 10c, 11, and 12.)	41,486,081	48,728,749	40,058,317	44,289,626	48,066,088	222,628,861

14 First five years. If the Form 990 is for the organization's first, second, third, fourth, or fifth tax year as a section 501(c)(3) organization, check this box and **stop here** ☐

Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage

15	Public support percentage for 2017 (line 8, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f))	15	98.340 %
16	Public support percentage from 2016 Schedule A, Part III, line 15	16	98.360 %

Section D. Computation of Investment Income Percentage

17	Investment income percentage for 2017 (line 10c, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f))	17	0.210 %
18	Investment income percentage from 2016 Schedule A, Part III, line 17	18	0.160 %

19a 33 1/3% support tests—2017. If the organization did not check the box on line 14, and line 15 is more than 33 1/3%, and line 17 is not more than 33 1/3%, check this box and **stop here.** The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization ☒

b 33 1/3% support tests—2016. If the organization did not check a box on line 14 or line 19a, and line 16 is more than 33 1/3% and line 18 is not more than 33 1/3%, check this box and **stop here.** The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization ☐

20 Private foundation. If the organization did not check a box on line 14, 19a, or 19b, check this box and see instructions ☐

Part IV Supporting Organizations

(Complete only if you checked a box on line 12 of Part I. If you checked 12a of Part I, complete Sections A and B. If you checked 12b of Part I, complete Sections A and C. If you checked 12c of Part I, complete Sections A, D, and E. If you checked 12d of Part I, complete Sections A and D, and complete Part V.)

Section A. All Supporting Organizations

	Yes	No
1 Are all of the organization's supported organizations listed by name in the organization's governing documents? <i>If "No," describe in Part VI how the supported organizations are designated. If designated by class or purpose, describe the designation. If historic and continuing relationship, explain.</i>	1	
2 Did the organization have any supported organization that does not have an IRS determination of status under section 509(a)(1) or (2)? <i>If "Yes," explain in Part VI how the organization determined that the supported organization was described in section 509(a)(1) or (2).</i>	2	
3a Did the organization have a supported organization described in section 501(c)(4), (5), or (6)? <i>If "Yes," answer (b) and (c) below.</i>	3a	
b Did the organization confirm that each supported organization qualified under section 501(c)(4), (5), or (6) and satisfied the public support tests under section 509(a)(2)? <i>If "Yes," describe in Part VI when and how the organization made the determination.</i>	3b	
c Did the organization ensure that all support to such organizations was used exclusively for section 170(c)(2)(B) purposes? <i>If "Yes," explain in Part VI what controls the organization put in place to ensure such use.</i>	3c	
4a Was any supported organization not organized in the United States ("foreign supported organization")? <i>If "Yes" and if you checked 12a or 12b in Part I, answer (b) and (c) below.</i>	4a	
b Did the organization have ultimate control and discretion in deciding whether to make grants to the foreign supported organization? <i>If "Yes," describe in Part VI how the organization had such control and discretion despite being controlled or supervised by or in connection with its supported organizations.</i>	4b	
c Did the organization support any foreign supported organization that does not have an IRS determination under sections 501(c)(3) and 509(a)(1) or (2)? <i>If "Yes," explain in Part VI what controls the organization used to ensure that all support to the foreign supported organization was used exclusively for section 170(c)(2)(B) purposes.</i>	4c	
5a Did the organization add, substitute, or remove any supported organizations during the tax year? <i>If "Yes," answer (b) and (c) below (if applicable). Also, provide detail in Part VI, including (i) the names and EIN numbers of the supported organizations added, substituted, or removed, (ii) the reasons for each such action, (iii) the authority under the organization's organizing document authorizing such action, and (iv) how the action was accomplished (such as by amendment to the organizing document).</i>	5a	
b Type I or Type II only. Was any added or substituted supported organization part of a class already designated in the organization's organizing document?	5b	
c Substitutions only. Was the substitution the result of an event beyond the organization's control?	5c	
6 Did the organization provide support (whether in the form of grants or the provision of services or facilities) to anyone other than (i) its supported organizations, (ii) individuals that are part of the charitable class benefited by one or more of its supported organizations, or (iii) other supporting organizations that also support or benefit one or more of the filing organization's supported organizations? <i>If "Yes," provide detail in Part VI.</i>	6	
7 Did the organization provide a grant, loan, compensation, or other similar payment to a substantial contributor (defined in section 4958(c)(3)(C)), a family member of a substantial contributor, or a 35% controlled entity with regard to a substantial contributor? <i>If "Yes," complete Part I of Schedule L (Form 990 or 990-EZ).</i>	7	
8 Did the organization make a loan to a disqualified person (as defined in section 4958) not described in line 7? <i>If "Yes," complete Part I of Schedule L (Form 990 or 990-EZ).</i>	8	
9a Was the organization controlled directly or indirectly at any time during the tax year by one or more disqualified persons as defined in section 4946 (other than foundation managers and organizations described in section 509(a)(1) or (2))? <i>If "Yes," provide detail in Part VI.</i>	9a	
b Did one or more disqualified persons (as defined in line 9a) hold a controlling interest in any entity in which the supporting organization had an interest? <i>If "Yes," provide detail in Part VI.</i>	9b	
c Did a disqualified person (as defined in line 9a) have an ownership interest in, or derive any personal benefit from, assets in which the supporting organization also had an interest? <i>If "Yes," provide detail in Part VI.</i>	9c	
10a Was the organization subject to the excess business holdings rules of section 4943 because of section 4943(f) (regarding certain Type II supporting organizations, and all Type III non-functionally integrated supporting organizations)? <i>If "Yes," answer line 10b below.</i>	10a	
b Did the organization have any excess business holdings in the tax year? <i>(Use Schedule C, Form 4720, to determine whether the organization had excess business holdings.)</i>	10b	

Part IV Supporting Organizations (continued)

	Yes	No
11 Has the organization accepted a gift or contribution from any of the following persons?		
a A person who directly or indirectly controls, either alone or together with persons described in (b) and (c) below, the governing body of a supported organization?		
b A family member of a person described in (a) above?		
c A 35% controlled entity of a person described in (a) or (b) above? <i>If "Yes" to a, b, or c, provide detail in Part VI</i>		
	11a	
	11b	
	11c	

Section B. Type I Supporting Organizations

	Yes	No
1 Did the directors, trustees, or membership of one or more supported organizations have the power to regularly appoint or elect at least a majority of the organization's directors or trustees at all times during the tax year? <i>If "No," describe in Part VI how the supported organization(s) effectively operated, supervised, or controlled the organization's activities. If the organization had more than one supported organization, describe how the powers to appoint and/or remove directors or trustees were allocated among the supported organizations and what conditions or restrictions, if any, applied to such powers during the tax year.</i>		
	1	
2 Did the organization operate for the benefit of any supported organization other than the supported organization(s) that operated, supervised, or controlled the supporting organization? <i>If "Yes," explain in Part VI how providing such benefit carried out the purposes of the supported organization(s) that operated, supervised or controlled the supporting organization.</i>		
	2	

Section C. Type II Supporting Organizations

	Yes	No
1 Were a majority of the organization's directors or trustees during the tax year also a majority of the directors or trustees of each of the organization's supported organization(s)? <i>If "No," describe in Part VI how control or management of the supporting organization was vested in the same persons that controlled or managed the supported organization(s).</i>		
	1	

Section D. All Type III Supporting Organizations

	Yes	No
1 Did the organization provide to each of its supported organizations, by the last day of the fifth month of the organization's tax year, (i) a written notice describing the type and amount of support provided during the prior tax year, (ii) a copy of the Form 990 that was most recently filed as of the date of notification, and (iii) copies of the organization's governing documents in effect on the date of notification, to the extent not previously provided?		
	1	
2 Were any of the organization's officers, directors, or trustees either (i) appointed or elected by the supported organization (s) or (ii) serving on the governing body of a supported organization? <i>If "No," explain in Part VI how the organization maintained a close and continuous working relationship with the supported organization(s).</i>		
	2	
3 By reason of the relationship described in (2), did the organization's supported organizations have a significant voice in the organization's investment policies and in directing the use of the organization's income or assets at all times during the tax year? <i>If "Yes," describe in Part VI the role the organization's supported organizations played in this regard.</i>		
	3	

Section E. Type III Functionally-Integrated Supporting Organizations

1 Check the box next to the method that the organization used to satisfy the Integral Part Test during the year (see instructions)		
a <input type="checkbox"/> The organization satisfied the Activities Test. Complete line 2 below.		
b <input type="checkbox"/> The organization is the parent of each of its supported organizations. Complete line 3 below.		
c <input type="checkbox"/> The organization supported a governmental entity. Describe in Part VI how you supported a government entity (see instructions).		
2 Activities Test. Answer (a) and (b) below.		
a Did substantially all of the organization's activities during the tax year directly further the exempt purposes of the supported organization(s) to which the organization was responsive? <i>If "Yes," then in Part VI identify those supported organizations and explain how these activities directly furthered their exempt purposes, how the organization was responsive to those supported organizations, and how the organization determined that these activities constituted substantially all of its activities.</i>		
	2a	
b Did the activities described in (a) constitute activities that, but for the organization's involvement, one or more of the organization's supported organization(s) would have been engaged in? <i>If "Yes," explain in Part VI the reasons for the organization's position that its supported organization(s) would have engaged in these activities but for the organization's involvement.</i>		
	2b	
3 Parent of Supported Organizations. Answer (a) and (b) below.		
a Did the organization have the power to regularly appoint or elect a majority of the officers, directors, or trustees of each of the supported organizations? <i>Provide details in Part VI.</i>		
	3a	
b Did the organization exercise a substantial degree of direction over the policies, programs and activities of each of its supported organizations? <i>If "Yes," describe in Part VI the role played by the organization in this regard.</i>		
	3b	

Part V Type III Non-Functionally Integrated 509(a)(3) Supporting Organizations

- 1** ☐ Check here if the organization satisfied the Integral Part Test as a qualifying trust on Nov. 20, 1970 (explain in Part VI) **See instructions.** All other Type III non-functionally integrated supporting organizations must complete Sections A through E

Section A - Adjusted Net Income		(A) Prior Year	(B) Current Year (optional)
1 Net short-term capital gain	1		
2 Recoveries of prior-year distributions	2		
3 Other gross income (see instructions)	3		
4 Add lines 1 through 3	4		
5 Depreciation and depletion	5		
6 Portion of operating expenses paid or incurred for production or collection of gross income or for management, conservation, or maintenance of property held for production of income (see instructions)	6		
7 Other expenses (see instructions)	7		
8 Adjusted Net Income (subtract lines 5, 6 and 7 from line 4)	8		
Section B - Minimum Asset Amount		(A) Prior Year	(B) Current Year (optional)
1 Aggregate fair market value of all non-exempt-use assets (see instructions for short tax year or assets held for part of year)	1		
a Average monthly value of securities	1a		
b Average monthly cash balances	1b		
c Fair market value of other non-exempt-use assets	1c		
d Total (add lines 1a, 1b, and 1c)	1d		
e Discount claimed for blockage or other factors (explain in detail in Part VI)			
2 Acquisition indebtedness applicable to non-exempt use assets	2		
3 Subtract line 2 from line 1d	3		
4 Cash deemed held for exempt use Enter 1-1/2% of line 3 (for greater amount, see instructions)	4		
5 Net value of non-exempt-use assets (subtract line 4 from line 3)	5		
6 Multiply line 5 by .035	6		
7 Recoveries of prior-year distributions	7		
8 Minimum Asset Amount (add line 7 to line 6)	8		
Section C - Distributable Amount			Current Year
1 Adjusted net income for prior year (from Section A, line 8, Column A)	1		
2 Enter 85% of line 1	2		
3 Minimum asset amount for prior year (from Section B, line 8, Column A)	3		
4 Enter greater of line 2 or line 3	4		
5 Income tax imposed in prior year	5		
6 Distributable Amount. Subtract line 5 from line 4, unless subject to emergency temporary reduction (see instructions)	6		
7 <input type="checkbox"/> Check here if the current year is the organization's first as a non-functionally-integrated Type III supporting organization (see instructions)			

Part V Type III Non-Functionally Integrated 509(a)(3) Supporting Organizations (continued)

Section D - Distributions	Current Year
1 Amounts paid to supported organizations to accomplish exempt purposes	
2 Amounts paid to perform activity that directly furthers exempt purposes of supported organizations, in excess of income from activity	
3 Administrative expenses paid to accomplish exempt purposes of supported organizations	
4 Amounts paid to acquire exempt-use assets	
5 Qualified set-aside amounts (prior IRS approval required)	
6 Other distributions (describe in Part VI) See instructions	
7 Total annual distributions. Add lines 1 through 6	
8 Distributions to attentive supported organizations to which the organization is responsive (provide details in Part VI) See instructions	
9 Distributable amount for 2017 from Section C, line 6	
10 Line 8 amount divided by Line 9 amount	

Section E - Distribution Allocations (see instructions)	(i) Excess Distributions	(ii) Underdistributions Pre-2017	(iii) Distributable Amount for 2017
1 Distributable amount for 2017 from Section C, line 6			
2 Underdistributions, if any, for years prior to 2017 (reasonable cause required-- explain in Part VI) See instructions			
3 Excess distributions carryover, if any, to 2017			
a			
b From 2013.			
c From 2014.			
d From 2015.			
e From 2016.			
f Total of lines 3a through e			
g Applied to underdistributions of prior years			
h Applied to 2017 distributable amount			
i Carryover from 2012 not applied (see instructions)			
j Remainder Subtract lines 3g, 3h, and 3i from 3f			
4 Distributions for 2017 from Section D, line 7 \$			
a Applied to underdistributions of prior years			
b Applied to 2017 distributable amount			
c Remainder Subtract lines 4a and 4b from 4			
5 Remaining underdistributions for years prior to 2017, if any Subtract lines 3g and 4a from line 2 If the amount is greater than zero, explain in Part VI See instructions			
6 Remaining underdistributions for 2017 Subtract lines 3h and 4b from line 1 If the amount is greater than zero, explain in Part VI See instructions			
7 Excess distributions carryover to 2018. Add lines 3j and 4c			
8 Breakdown of line 7			
a Excess from 2013.			
b Excess from 2014.			
c Excess from 2015.			
d Excess from 2016.			
e Excess from 2017.			

Additional Data

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Part VI **Supplemental Information.** Provide the explanations required by Part II, line 10, Part II, line 17a or 17b, Part III, line 12, Part IV, Section A, lines 1, 2, 3b, 3c, 4b, 4c, 5a, 6, 9a, 9b, 9c, 11a, 11b, and 11c, Part IV, Section B, lines 1 and 2, Part IV, Section C, line 1, Part IV, Section D, lines 2 and 3, Part IV, Section E, lines 1c, 2a, 2b, 3a and 3b, Part V, line 1, Part V, Section B, line 1e, Part V Section D, lines 5, 6, and 8, and Part V, Section E, lines 2, 5, and 6 Also complete this part for any additional information (See instructions)

Facts And Circumstances Test

SCHEDULE C (Form 990 or 990-EZ) Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service	Political Campaign and Lobbying Activities For Organizations Exempt From Income Tax Under section 501(c) and section 527 ▶ Complete if the organization is described below. ▶ Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ. ▶ Information about Schedule C (Form 990 or 990-EZ) and its instructions is at <u>www.irs.gov/form990.</u>	OMB No 1545-0047 2017 Open to Public Inspection

If the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, Line 3, or Form 990-EZ, Part V, line 46 (Political Campaign Activities), then

- Section 501(c)(3) organizations Complete Parts I-A and B Do not complete Part I-C
- Section 501(c) (other than section 501(c)(3)) organizations Complete Parts I-A and C below Do not complete Part I-B
- Section 527 organizations Complete Part I-A only

If the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, Line 4, or Form 990-EZ, Part VI, line 47 (Lobbying Activities), then

- Section 501(c)(3) organizations that have filed Form 5768 (election under section 501(h)) Complete Part II-A Do not complete Part II-B
- Section 501(c)(3) organizations that have NOT filed Form 5768 (election under section 501(h)) Complete Part II-B Do not complete Part II-A

If the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, Line 5 (Proxy Tax) (see separate instructions) or Form 990-EZ, Part V, line 35c (Proxy Tax) (see separate instructions), then

- Section 501(c)(4), (5), or (6) organizations Complete Part III

Name of the organization NATIONAL AQUARIUM INC	Employer identification number 52-1121163
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Part I-A Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c) or is a section 527 organization.

- 1** Provide a description of the organization's direct and indirect political campaign activities in Part IV (see instructions for definition of "political campaign activities")
- 2** Political campaign activity expenditures (see instructions) ▶ \$ _____
- 3** Volunteer hours for political campaign activities (see instructions) _____

Part I-B Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(3).

- 1** Enter the amount of any excise tax incurred by the organization under section 4955 ▶ \$ _____
- 2** Enter the amount of any excise tax incurred by organization managers under section 4955 ▶ \$ _____
- 3** If the organization incurred a section 4955 tax, did it file Form 4720 for this year? ☐ **Yes** ☐ **No**
- 4a** Was a correction made? ☐ **Yes** ☐ **No**
- b** If "Yes," describe in Part IV

Part I-C Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c), except section 501(c)(3).

- 1** Enter the amount directly expended by the filing organization for section 527 exempt function activities ▶ \$ _____
- 2** Enter the amount of the filing organization's funds contributed to other organizations for section 527 exempt function activities ▶ \$ _____
- 3** Total exempt function expenditures Add lines 1 and 2 Enter here and on Form 1120-POL, line 17b ▶ \$ _____
- 4** Did the filing organization file **Form 1120-POL** for this year? ☐ **Yes** ☐ **No**
- 5** Enter the names, addresses and employer identification number (EIN) of all section 527 political organizations to which the filing organization made payments For each organization listed, enter the amount paid from the filing organization's funds Also enter the amount of political contributions received that were promptly and directly delivered to a separate political organization, such as a separate segregated fund or a political action committee (PAC) If additional space is needed, provide information in Part IV

(a) Name	(b) Address	(c) EIN	(d) Amount paid from filing organization's funds If none, enter -0-	(e) Amount of political contributions received and promptly and directly delivered to a separate political organization If none, enter -0-
1				
2				
3				
4				
5				
6				

Part II-A Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(3) and filed Form 5768 (election under section 501(h)).**A** Check ☒ if the filing organization belongs to an affiliated group (and list in Part IV each affiliated group member's name, address, EIN, expenses, and share of excess lobbying expenditures)**B** Check ☐ if the filing organization checked box A and "limited control" provisions apply**Limits on Lobbying Expenditures**
(The term "expenditures" means amounts paid or incurred.)**(a)** Filing
organization's
totals**(b)** Affiliated
group totals**1a** Total lobbying expenditures to influence public opinion (grass roots lobbying)

0

b Total lobbying expenditures to influence a legislative body (direct lobbying)

189,594

189,594

c Total lobbying expenditures (add lines 1a and 1b)

189,594

189,594

d Other exempt purpose expenditures

56,515,845

62,418,896

e Total exempt purpose expenditures (add lines 1c and 1d)

56,705,439

62,608,490

f Lobbying nontaxable amount Enter the amount from the following table in both columns

1,000,000

1,000,000

If the amount on line 1e, column (a) or (b) is:	The lobbying nontaxable amount is:
Not over \$500,000	20% of the amount on line 1e
Over \$500,000 but not over \$1,000,000	\$100,000 plus 15% of the excess over \$500,000
Over \$1,000,000 but not over \$1,500,000	\$175,000 plus 10% of the excess over \$1,000,000
Over \$1,500,000 but not over \$17,000,000	\$225,000 plus 5% of the excess over \$1,500,000
Over \$17,000,000	\$1,000,000

g Grassroots nontaxable amount (enter 25% of line 1f)

250,000

250,000

h Subtract line 1g from line 1a. If zero or less, enter -0-

0

0

i Subtract line 1f from line 1c. If zero or less, enter -0-

0

0

j If there is an amount other than zero on either line 1h or line 1i, did the organization file Form 4720 reporting section 4911 tax for this year?☐ **Yes** ☐ **No****4-Year Averaging Period Under section 501(h)****(Some organizations that made a section 501(h) election do not have to complete all of the five columns below. See the separate instructions for lines 2a through 2f.)****Lobbying Expenditures During 4-Year Averaging Period**

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in)	(a) 2014	(b) 2015	(c) 2016	(d) 2017	(e) Total
2a Lobbying nontaxable amount	1,000,000	1,000,000	1,000,000	1,000,000	4,000,000
b Lobbying ceiling amount (150% of line 2a, column(e))					6,000,000
c Total lobbying expenditures	178,964	295,694	3,400	189,594	667,652
d Grassroots nontaxable amount	250,000	250,000	250,000	250,000	1,000,000
e Grassroots ceiling amount (150% of line 2d, column (e))					1,500,000
f Grassroots lobbying expenditures					

Part II-B Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(3) and has NOT filed Form 5768 (election under section 501(h)).

For each "Yes" response on lines 1a through 1i below, provide in Part IV a detailed description of the lobbying activity

		(a)		(b)
		Yes	No	Amount
1	During the year, did the filing organization attempt to influence foreign, national, state or local legislation, including any attempt to influence public opinion on a legislative matter or referendum, through the use of			
a	Volunteers?			
b	Paid staff or management (include compensation in expenses reported on lines 1c through 1i)?			
c	Media advertisements?			
d	Mailings to members, legislators, or the public?			
e	Publications, or published or broadcast statements?			
f	Grants to other organizations for lobbying purposes?			
g	Direct contact with legislators, their staffs, government officials, or a legislative body?			
h	Rallies, demonstrations, seminars, conventions, speeches, lectures, or any similar means?			
i	Other activities?			
j	Total. Add lines 1c through 1i			
2a	Did the activities in line 1 cause the organization to be not described in section 501(c)(3)?			
b	If "Yes," enter the amount of any tax incurred under section 4912			
c	If "Yes," enter the amount of any tax incurred by organization managers under section 4912			
d	If the filing organization incurred a section 4912 tax, did it file Form 4720 for this year?			

Part III-A Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(4), section 501(c)(5), or section 501(c)(6).

	Yes	No
1 Were substantially all (90% or more) dues received nondeductible by members?	1	
2 Did the organization make only in-house lobbying expenditures of \$2,000 or less?	2	
3 Did the organization agree to carry over lobbying and political expenditures from the prior year?	3	

Part III-B Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(4), section 501(c)(5), or section 501(c)(6) and if either (a) BOTH Part III-A, lines 1 and 2, are answered "No" OR (b) Part III-A, line 3, is answered "Yes."

1	Dues, assessments and similar amounts from members	1	
2	Section 162(e) nondeductible lobbying and political expenditures (do not include amounts of political expenses for which the section 527(f) tax was paid).		
a	Current year	2a	
b	Carryover from last year	2b	
c	Total	2c	
3	Aggregate amount reported in section 6033(e)(1)(A) notices of nondeductible section 162(e) dues	3	
4	If notices were sent and the amount on line 2c exceeds the amount on line 3, what portion of the excess does the organization agree to carryover to the reasonable estimate of nondeductible lobbying and political expenditure next year?	4	
5	Taxable amount of lobbying and political expenditures (see instructions)	5	

Part IV Supplemental Information

Provide the descriptions required for Part I-A, line 1, Part I-B, line 4, Part I-C, line 5, Part II-A (affiliated group list), Part II-A, lines 1 and 2 (see instructions), and Part II-B, line 1. Also, complete this part for any additional information.

Return Reference	Explanation
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TY 2017 Affiliated Group Schedule

Name: NATIONAL AQUARIUM INC
EIN: 52-1121163

Affiliated Group Business Name:	NATIONAL AQUARIUM INC
Address. Either US or Foreign Type:	PIER 3 - 501 EAST PRATT STREET BALTIMORE, MD 21202
EIN:	52-1121163
Electing Organization Checkbox:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Total Grassroots Lobbying:	0
Total Direct Lobbying:	189,594
Total Lobbying Expenditures:	189,594
Other Exempt Purpose Expenditures:	56,515,845
Total Exempt Purpose Expenditures:	56,705,439
Lobbying Nontaxable Amount:	1,000,000
Grassroots Nontaxable Amount:	250,000
Tot Lobbying Grassroot Minus Non Tx:	0
Tot Lobby Expend Mns Lobbying Non Tx:	0
Share Of Excess Lobbying:	0
Affiliated Group Business Name:	ACRC LESSOR INC
Address. Either US or Foreign Type:	111 MARKET PLACE STE 800 BALTIMORE, MD 21202
EIN:	82-0658936
Electing Organization Checkbox:	<input type="checkbox"/>
Total Grassroots Lobbying:	0
Total Direct Lobbying:	0
Total Lobbying Expenditures:	0
Other Exempt Purpose Expenditures:	4,538,373
Total Exempt Purpose Expenditures:	4,538,373
Lobbying Nontaxable Amount:	376,919
Grassroots Nontaxable Amount:	94,230
Tot Lobbying Grassroot Minus Non Tx:	0
Tot Lobby Expend Mns Lobbying Non Tx:	0
Share Of Excess Lobbying:	0

Affiliated Group Business Name:	NATIONAL AQUARIUM FOUNDATION INC
Address. Either US or Foreign Type:	111 MARKET PLACE STE 800 BALTIMORE, MD 21202
EIN:	52-1301162
Electing Organization Checkbox:	<input type="checkbox"/>
Total Grassroots Lobbying:	0
Total Direct Lobbying:	0
Total Lobbying Expenditures:	0
Other Exempt Purpose Expenditures:	1,364,678
Total Exempt Purpose Expenditures:	1,364,678
Lobbying Nontaxable Amount:	211,468
Grassroots Nontaxable Amount:	52,867
Tot Lobbying Grassroot Minus Non Tx:	0
Tot Lobby Expend Mns Lobbying Non Tx:	0
Share Of Excess Lobbying:	0

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<div>SCHEDULE D (Form 990)</div> <div>Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service</div>		<div>Supplemental Financial Statements</div> <div>► Complete if the organization answered "Yes," on Form 990, Part IV, line 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11a, 11b, 11c, 11d, 11e, 11f, 12a, or 12b. ► Attach to Form 990.</div> <div>Information about Schedule D (Form 990) and its instructions is at www.irs.gov/form990.</div>			<div>OMB No 1545-0047</div> <div>2017</div> <div>Open to Public Inspection</div>
Name of the organization NATIONAL AQUARIUM INC				Employer identification number 52-1121163	
Part I Organizations Maintaining Donor Advised Funds or Other Similar Funds or Accounts. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 6.					
		(a) Donor advised funds		(b) Funds and other accounts	
1		Total number at end of year			
2		Aggregate value of contributions to (during year)			
3		Aggregate value of grants from (during year)			
4		Aggregate value at end of year			
5		Did the organization inform all donors and donor advisors in writing that the assets held in donor advised funds are the organization's property, subject to the organization's exclusive legal control? <div><input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</div>			
6		Did the organization inform all grantees, donors, and donor advisors in writing that grant funds can be used only for charitable purposes and not for the benefit of the donor or donor advisor, or for any other purpose conferring impermissible private benefit? <div><input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</div>			
Part II Conservation Easements. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 7.					
1 Purpose(s) of conservation easements held by the organization (check all that apply) <div><input type="checkbox"/> Preservation of land for public use (e g , recreation or education) <input type="checkbox"/> Preservation of an historically important land area <input type="checkbox"/> Protection of natural habitat <input type="checkbox"/> Preservation of a certified historic structure <input type="checkbox"/> Preservation of open space</div>					
2 Complete lines 2a through 2d if the organization held a qualified conservation contribution in the form of a conservation easement on the last day of the tax year					
				Held at the End of the Year	
a Total number of conservation easements				2a	
b Total acreage restricted by conservation easements				2b	
c Number of conservation easements on a certified historic structure included in (a)				2c	
d Number of conservation easements included in (c) acquired after 8/17/06, and not on a historic structure listed in the National Register				2d	
3 Number of conservation easements modified, transferred, released, extinguished, or terminated by the organization during the tax year ►					
4 Number of states where property subject to conservation easement is located ►					
5 Does the organization have a written policy regarding the periodic monitoring, inspection, handling of violations, and enforcement of the conservation easements it holds? <div><input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</div>					
6 Staff and volunteer hours devoted to monitoring, inspecting, handling of violations, and enforcing conservation easements during the year ►					
7 Amount of expenses incurred in monitoring, inspecting, handling of violations, and enforcing conservation easements during the year ► \$					
8 Does each conservation easement reported on line 2(d) above satisfy the requirements of section 170(h)(4)(B)(i) and section 170(h)(4)(B)(ii)? <div><input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</div>					
9 In Part XIII, describe how the organization reports conservation easements in its revenue and expense statement, and balance sheet, and include, if applicable, the text of the footnote to the organization's financial statements that describes the organization's accounting for conservation easements					
Part III Organizations Maintaining Collections of Art, Historical Treasures, or Other Similar Assets. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 8.					
1a If the organization elected, as permitted under SFAS 116 (ASC 958), not to report in its revenue statement and balance sheet works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets held for public exhibition, education, or research in furtherance of public service, provide, in Part XIII, the text of the footnote to its financial statements that describes these items					
b If the organization elected, as permitted under SFAS 116 (ASC 958), to report in its revenue statement and balance sheet works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets held for public exhibition, education, or research in furtherance of public service, provide the following amounts relating to these items					
(i) Revenue included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 1 ► \$					
(ii) Assets included in Form 990, Part X ► \$					
2 If the organization received or held works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets for financial gain, provide the following amounts required to be reported under SFAS 116 (ASC 958) relating to these items					
a Revenue included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 1 ► \$					
b Assets included in Form 990, Part X ► \$					
For Paperwork Reduction Act Notice, see the Instructions for Form 990.					
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Part III

Organizations Maintaining Collections of Art, Historical Treasures, or Other Similar Assets (continued)

3

Using the organization's acquisition, accession, and other records, check any of the following that are a significant use of its collection items (check all that apply)

a

☐ Public exhibition

b

☐ Scholarly research

c

☐ Preservation for future generations

d

☐ Loan or exchange programs

e

☐ Other

4

Provide a description of the organization's collections and explain how they further the organization's exempt purpose in Part XIII

5

During the year, did the organization solicit or receive donations of art, historical treasures or other similar assets to be sold to raise funds rather than to be maintained as part of the organization's collection?

☐ Yes

☐ No

Part IV

Escrow and Custodial Arrangements.
Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 9, or reported an amount on Form 990, Part X, line 21.

1a

Is the organization an agent, trustee, custodian or other intermediary for contributions or other assets not included on Form 990, Part X?

☐ Yes

☐ No

b

If "Yes," explain the arrangement in Part XIII and complete the following table

c

Beginning balance

d

Additions during the year

e

Distributions during the year

f

Ending balance

	Amount
1c	
1d	
1e	
1f	

2a

Did the organization include an amount on Form 990, Part X, line 21, for escrow or custodial account liability?

☐ Yes

☐ No

b

If "Yes," explain the arrangement in Part XIII. Check here if the explanation has been provided in Part XIII

☐

Part V

Endowment Funds. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 10.

	(a)Current year	(b)Prior year	(c)Two years back	(d)Three years back	(e)Four years back
1a Beginning of year balance	3,399,625	3,311,895	3,620,342	3,600,648	3,077,279
b Contributions				33,030	
c Net investment earnings, gains, and losses	589,929	87,730	-125,700	103,599	593,978
d Grants or scholarships					
e Other expenditures for facilities and programs	151,987		182,747	116,935	70,609
f Administrative expenses					
g End of year balance	3,837,567	3,399,625	3,311,895	3,620,342	3,600,648

2

Provide the estimated percentage of the current year end balance (line 1g, column (a)) held as

a

Board designated or quasi-endowment

47 110 %

b

Permanent endowment

52 890 %

c

Temporarily restricted endowment

The percentages on lines 2a, 2b, and 2c should equal 100%

3a

Are there endowment funds not in the possession of the organization that are held and administered for the organization by

(i) unrelated organizations

3a(i)

Yes

No

(ii) related organizations

3a(ii)

Yes

b

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

3b

Yes

4

Describe in Part XIII the intended uses of the organization's endowment funds

Part VI

Land, Buildings, and Equipment.
Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 11a. See Form 990, Part X, line 10.

Description of property	(a) Cost or other basis (investment)	(b) Cost or other basis (other)	(c) Accumulated depreciation	(d) Book value
1a Land		1,362,888		1,362,888
b Buildings		177,704,954	97,069,557	80,635,397
c Leasehold improvements				
d Equipment		23,545,178	18,499,761	5,045,417
e Other		2,678,429		2,678,429
Total. Add lines 1a through 1e (Column (d) must equal Form 990, Part X, column (B), line 10(c))				89,722,131

Part VII

Investments—Other Securities. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 11b. See Form 990, Part X, line 12.

(a) Description of security or category (including name of security)	(b) Book value	(c) Method of valuation Cost or end-of-year market value
(1) Financial derivatives		
(2) Closely-held equity interests		
(3) Other _____		
(A)		
(B)		
(C)		
(D)		
(E)		
(F)		
(G)		
(H)		
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col (B) line 12) ▶		

Part VIII

Investments—Program Related. Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' on Form 990, Part IV, line 11c. See Form 990, Part X, line 13.

(a) Description of investment	(b) Book value	(c) Method of valuation Cost or end-of-year market value
(1)		
(2)		
(3)		
(4)		
(5)		
(6)		
(7)		
(8)		
(9)		
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col (B) line 13) ▶		

Part IX

Other Assets. Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' on Form 990, Part IV, line 11d See Form 990, Part X, line 15

(a) Description	(b) Book value
(1)	
(2)	
(3)	
(4)	
(5)	
(6)	
(7)	
(8)	
(9)	
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col (B) line 15) ▶	

Part X

Other Liabilities. Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' on Form 990, Part IV, line 11e or 11f. See Form 990, Part X, line 25.

(a) Description of liability	(b) Book value
(1) Federal income taxes	
DEFERRED RENT	687,318
CAPITAL LEASE	4,266,963
DUE TO AFFILIATE	5,272
INTEREST RATE SWAP	400,505
(5)	
(6)	
(7)	
(8)	
(9)	
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col (B) line 25) ▶	5,360,058

2. Liability for uncertain tax positions In Part XIII, provide the text of the footnote to the organization's financial statements that reports the organization's liability for uncertain tax positions under FIN 48 (ASC 740) Check here if the text of the footnote has been provided in Part XIII ☒

Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' on Form 990, Part IV, line 12a.

Part XII Reconciliation of Expenses per Audited Financial Statements With Expenses per Return.

Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' on Form 990, Part IV, line 12a.

Part XIII Supplemental Information

Provide the descriptions required for Part II, lines 3, 5, and 9, Part III, lines 1a and 4, Part IV, lines 1b and 2b, Part V, line 4, Part X, line 2, Part XI, lines 2d and 4b, and Part XII, lines 2d and 4b. Also complete this part to provide any additional information.

Return Reference	Explanation
See Additional Data Table	
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Part XIII **Supplemental Information** *(continued)*

Return Reference	Explanation

Additional Data

Software ID:
Software Version:
EIN: 52-1121163
Name: NATIONAL AQUARIUM INC

Supplemental Information

Return Reference	Explanation
PART V, LINE 4	THE ENDOWMENT FUNDS ARE HELD BY THE NATIONAL AQUARIUM FOUNDATION, INC , A RELATED 501(C)(3) ORGANIZATION THE FOUNDATION'S OBJECTIVE IS TO EARN A RESPECTABLE LONG-TERM, RISK ADJUST ED TOTAL RATE OF RETURN TO SUPPORT THE DESIGNATED PROGRAMS THE FOUNDATION RECOGNIZES AND ACCEPTS THAT PURSUING A RESPECTABLE RATE OF RETURN INVOLVES RISK AND POTENTIAL VOLATILITY THE GENERATION OF SECONDARY INCOME WILL BE A SECONDARY CONSIDERATION

Supplemental Information

Return Reference	Explanation
PART X, LINE 2	THE AQUARIUM AND ITS SUBSIDIARIES ARE GENERALLY EXEMPT FROM FEDERAL INCOME TAXES UNDER SECTION 501(C)(3) OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE (IRC) INCOME WHICH IS NOT RELATED TO EXEMPT PURPOSES, LESS APPLICABLE DEDUCTIONS, IS SUBJECT TO FEDERAL AND STATE CORPORATE INCOME TAXES THE AQUARIUM HAD NO NET UNRELATED BUSINESS INCOME FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2017 AND 2016 MANAGEMENT HAS EVALUATED THE AQUARIUM'S TAX POSITIONS AND HAS CONCLUDED THAT THE AQUARIUM HAS TAKEN NO UNCERTAIN TAX POSITIONS THAT REQUIRE ADJUSTMENT TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS THE AQUARIUM IS NO LONGER SUBJECT TO INCOME TAX EXAMINATIONS FOR THE U S FEDERAL, STATE OR LOCAL TAX AUTHORITIES FOR YEARS BEFORE 2014

Supplemental Information	
Return Reference	Explanation
PART XI, LINE 2D - OTHER ADJUSTMENTS	INCOME OF THE NATIONAL AQUARIUM FOUNDATION, INC 5,090,366 INCOME OF THE CENTER FOR AQUAT IC LIFE AND CONSERVATION, INC 84,450 INCOME OF ACRC LESSOR, INC 5,970,852

Supplemental Information	
Return Reference	Explanation
PART XI, LINE 4B - OTHER ADJUSTMENTS	INCOME ELIMINATED ON THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS 11,352,908

Supplemental Information	
Return Reference	Explanation
PART XII, LINE 2D - OTHER ADJUSTMENTS	EXPENSES OF THE NATIONAL AQUARIUM FOUNDATION, INC 1,364,678 EXPENSES OF THE CENTER FOR A QUATIC LIFE AND CONSERVATION, INC 236,149 EXPENSES OF ACRC LESSOR, INC 4,538,373 LOSS ON INTEREST RATE SWAP 64,496

Supplemental Information	
Return Reference	Explanation
PART XII, LINE 4B - OTHER ADJUSTMENTS	EXPENSES ELIMINATED ON THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS 11,352,908

SCHEDULE G
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Name of the organization
NATIONAL AQUARIUM INC

Supplemental Information Regarding
Fundraising or Gaming Activities

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, lines 17, 18, or 19, or if the organization entered more than \$15,000 on Form 990-EZ, line 6a
▶ Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ.
▶ Information about Schedule G (Form 990 or 990-EZ) and its instructions is at www.irs.gov/form990.

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Part I Fundraising Activities.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 17.
Form 990-EZ filers are not required to complete this part.

- 1 Indicate whether the organization raised funds through any of the following activities. Check all that apply.
- a ☒ Mail solicitations

e ☒ Solicitation of non-government grants

b ☒ Internet and email solicitations

f ☒ Solicitation of government grants

c ☒ Phone solicitations

g ☐ Special fundraising events

d ☒ In-person solicitations
- 2a Did the organization have a written or oral agreement with any individual (including officers, directors, trustees or key employees listed in Form 990, Part VII) or entity in connection with professional fundraising services? ☒ Yes ☐ No
- b If "Yes," list the ten highest paid individuals or entities (fundraisers) pursuant to agreements under which the fundraiser is to be compensated at least \$5,000 by the organization.

(i) Name and address of individual or entity (fundraiser)	(ii) Activity	(iii) Did fundraiser have custody or control of contributions?		(iv) Gross receipts from activity	(v) Amount paid to (or retained by) fundraiser listed in col (i)	(vi) Amount paid to (or retained by) organization
		Yes	No			
1 AVALON FUNDRAISING 805 15TH STREET NW SUITE 700 WASHINGTON, DC 20005	FUNDRAISING CONSULTANT/COUNSEL		No	0	188,369	-188,369
2						
3						
4						
5						
6						
7						
8						
9						
10						
Total ▶					188,369	-188,369

3 List all states in which the organization is registered or licensed to solicit contributions or has been notified it is exempt from registration or licensing.

AL, AK, CA, CO, CT, DC, FL, GA, IL, KS, KY, ME, MA, MI, MS, NV, NH, NJ, NM, NY, NC, ND, OH, OK, OR, PA, RI, SC, TN, UT, VA, WA, WV, WI, MD

Part II Fundraising Events. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 18, or reported more than \$15,000 of fundraising event contributions and gross income on Form 990-EZ, lines 1 and 6b. List events with gross receipts greater than \$5,000.

		(a) Event #1	(b) Event #2	(c) Other events	(d)
		(event type)	(event type)	(total number)	Total events (add col (a) through col (c))
Revenue	1 Gross receipts				
	2 Less Contributions				
	3 Gross income (line 1 minus line 2)				
Direct Expenses	4 Cash prizes				
	5 Noncash prizes				
	6 Rent/facility costs				
	7 Food and beverages				
	8 Entertainment				
	9 Other direct expenses				
	10 Direct expense summary Add lines 4 through 9 in column (d) ▶				
	11 Net income summary Subtract line 10 from line 3, column (d) ▶				

Part III Gaming. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 19, or reported more than \$15,000 on Form 990-EZ, line 6a.

		(a) Bingo	(b) Pull tabs/Instant bingo/progressive bingo	(c) Other gaming	(d) Total gaming (add col (a) through col (c))
Revenue	1 Gross revenue				
	2 Cash prizes				
Direct Expenses	3 Noncash prizes				
	4 Rent/facility costs				
	5 Other direct expenses				
	6 Volunteer labor	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes _____ % <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes _____ % <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes _____ % <input type="checkbox"/> No	
	7 Direct expense summary Add lines 2 through 5 in column (d) ▶				
	8 Net gaming income summary Subtract line 7 from line 1, column (d) ▶				

9 Enter the state(s) in which the organization conducts gaming activities _____

a Is the organization licensed to conduct gaming activities in each of these states?

☐ Yes ☐ No

b If "No," explain _____

10a Were any of the organization's gaming licenses revoked, suspended or terminated during the tax year?

☐ Yes ☐ No

b If "Yes," explain _____

11 Does the organization conduct gaming activities with nonmembers? ☐ Yes ☐ No

12 Is the organization a grantor, beneficiary or trustee of a trust or a member of a partnership or other entity formed to administer charitable gaming? ☐ Yes ☐ No

13 Indicate the percentage of gaming activity conducted in

a The organization's facility	13a	%
b An outside facility	13b	%

14 Enter the name and address of the person who prepares the organization's gaming/special events books and records

Name ►

Address ►

15a Does the organization have a contract with a third party from whom the organization receives gaming revenue? ☐ Yes ☐ No

b If "Yes," enter the amount of gaming revenue received by the organization ► \$ _____ and the amount of gaming revenue retained by the third party ► \$ _____

c If "Yes," enter name and address of the third party

Name ►

Address ►

16 Gaming manager information

Name ►

Gaming manager compensation ► \$

Description of services provided ►

☐ Director/officer ☐ Employee ☐ Independent contractor

17 Mandatory distributions

a Is the organization required under state law to make charitable distributions from the gaming proceeds to retain the state gaming license? ☐ Yes ☐ No

b Enter the amount of distributions required under state law distributed to other exempt organizations or spent in the organization's own exempt activities during the tax year ► \$ _____

Part IV Supplemental Information. Provide the explanations required by Part I, line 2b, columns (iii) and (v); and Part III, lines 9, 9b, 10b, 15b, 15c, 16, and 17b, as applicable. Also provide any additional information (see instructions).

Return Reference	Explanation
SCHEDULE G, PART I, LINE 2B, COLUMN IV, GROSS RECEIPTS FROM ACTIVITY	THESE COSTS MEET THE DEFINITION OF PROFESSIONAL FUNDRAISING FEES, HOWEVER THEY WERE NOT TIED DIRECTLY TO SPECIFIC CAMPAIGNS THAT WOULD BE REFLECTED IN PART I AS "GROSS RECEIPTS FROM ACTIVITY"

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Schedule I
(Form 990)

Grants and Other Assistance to Organizations,
Governments and Individuals in the United States

Complete if the organization answered "Yes," on Form 990, Part IV, line 21 or 22.
▶ Attach to Form 990.
▶ Information about Schedule I (Form 990) and its instructions is at www.irs.gov/form990.

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Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Name of the organization
NATIONAL AQUARIUM INC

Employer identification number
52-1121163

Part IGeneral Information on Grants and Assistance

- 1 Does the organization maintain records to substantiate the amount of the grants or assistance, the grantees' eligibility for the grants or assistance, and the selection criteria used to award the grants or assistance? ☒ Yes ☐ No
- 2 Describe in Part IV the organization's procedures for monitoring the use of grant funds in the United States

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

(a) Name and address of organization or government	(b) EIN	(c) IRC section (if applicable)	(d) Amount of cash grant	(e) Amount of non-cash assistance	(f) Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other)	(g) Description of noncash assistance	(h) Purpose of grant or assistance
(1) ACRC LESSOR INC 111 MARKET PLACE SUITE 800 BALTIMORE, MD 21202	82-0658936	501(C)(3)	1,109,382	4,796,970	FMV	901 E FAYETTE STREET, BALTIMORE, MARYLAND	TRANSFER OF ACRC FACILITY
(2) NATIONAL AQUARIUM FOUNDATION INC 111 MARKET PLACE SUITE 800 BALTIMORE, MD 21202	52-1301162	501(C)(3)	50,275				GENERAL SUPPORT

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

3 Enter total number of other organizations listed in the line 1 table 0

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

Part III can be duplicated if additional space is needed

(a) Type of grant or assistance	(b) Number of recipients	(c) Amount of cash grant	(d) Amount of noncash assistance	(e) Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other)	(f) Description of noncash assistance
(1) PROGRAM SCHOLARSHIPS	12	7,150	0		
(2)					
(3)					
(4)					
(5)					
(6)					
(7)					

Part IV **Supplemental Information.** Provide the information required in Part I, line 2; Part III, column (b); and any other additional information.

Return Reference	Explanation
PART I, LINE 2	NATIONAL AQUARIUM FOUNDATION BOARD MONITORS PORTFOLIO PERFORMANCE AND DISTRIBUTIONS OF FUNDS PROGRAM SCHOLARSHIPS ARE MONITORED AND AWARDED BY NATIONAL AQUARIUM CONSERVATION & EDUCATION LEADERSHIP GRANTS TO ACRC LESSOR, INC ARE RELATED TO TRANSFER OF ACRC FACILITY

Schedule J
(Form 990)

Compensation Information

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For certain Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees
▶ Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 23.
▶ Attach to Form 990.
▶ Information about Schedule J (Form 990) and its instructions is at www.irs.gov/form990.

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Internal Revenue Service

Name of the organization NATIONAL AQUARIUM INC	Employer identification number 52-1121163
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Part I Questions Regarding Compensation

	Yes	No
1a Check the appropriate box(es) if the organization provided any of the following to or for a person listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a. Complete Part III to provide any relevant information regarding these items. <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <div style="width: 48%;"> <input type="checkbox"/> First-class or charter travel <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Travel for companions <input type="checkbox"/> Tax indemnification and gross-up payments <input type="checkbox"/> Discretionary spending account </div> <div style="width: 48%;"> <input type="checkbox"/> Housing allowance or residence for personal use <input type="checkbox"/> Payments for business use of personal residence <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Health or social club dues or initiation fees <input type="checkbox"/> Personal services (e.g., maid, chauffeur, chef) </div> </div>		
b If any of the boxes in line 1a are checked, did the organization follow a written policy regarding payment or reimbursement or provision of all of the expenses described above? If "No," complete Part III to explain.	1b Yes	
2 Did the organization require substantiation prior to reimbursing or allowing expenses incurred by all directors, trustees, officers, including the CEO/Executive Director, regarding the items checked in line 1a?	2 Yes	
3 Indicate which, if any, of the following the filing organization used to establish the compensation of the organization's CEO/Executive Director. Check all that apply. Do not check any boxes for methods used by a related organization to establish compensation of the CEO/Executive Director, but explain in Part III. <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <div style="width: 48%;"> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Compensation committee <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Independent compensation consultant <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form 990 of other organizations </div> <div style="width: 48%;"> <input type="checkbox"/> Written employment contract <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Compensation survey or study <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Approval by the board or compensation committee </div> </div>		
4 During the year, did any person listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, with respect to the filing organization or a related organization: <div style="margin-top: 10px;"> a Receive a severance payment or change-of-control payment? </div> <div style="margin-top: 10px;"> b Participate in, or receive payment from, a supplemental nonqualified retirement plan? </div> <div style="margin-top: 10px;"> c Participate in, or receive payment from, an equity-based compensation arrangement? </div>	4a	No
	4b Yes	
	4c	No
Only 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations must complete lines 5-9.		
5 For persons listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization pay or accrue any compensation contingent on the revenues of: <div style="margin-top: 10px;"> a The organization? </div> <div style="margin-top: 10px;"> b Any related organization? </div>	5a	No
	5b	No
If "Yes," on line 5a or 5b, describe in Part III.		
6 For persons listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization pay or accrue any compensation contingent on the net earnings of: <div style="margin-top: 10px;"> a The organization? </div> <div style="margin-top: 10px;"> b Any related organization? </div>	6a	No
	6b	No
If "Yes," on line 6a or 6b, describe in Part III.		
7 For persons listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization provide any nonfixed payments not described in lines 5 and 6? If "Yes," describe in Part III.	7 Yes	
8 Were any amounts reported on Form 990, Part VII, paid or accrued pursuant to a contract that was subject to the initial contract exception described in Regulations section 53.4958-4(a)(3)? If "Yes," describe in Part III.	8	No
9 If "Yes" on line 8, did the organization also follow the rebuttable presumption procedure described in Regulations section 53.4958-6(c)?	9	

For each individual whose compensation must be reported on Schedule J, report compensation from the organization on row (i) and from related organizations, described in the instructions, on row (ii). Do not list any individuals that are not listed on Form 990, Part VII.

Note. The sum of columns (B)(i)-(iii) for each listed individual must equal the total amount of Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, applicable column (D) and (E) amounts for that individual.

See Additional Data Table

Schedule J (Form 990) 2017

Part III **Supplemental Information**

Provide the information, explanation, or descriptions required for Part I, lines 1a, 1b, 3, 4a, 4b, 4c, 5a, 5b, 6a, 6b, 7, and 8, and for Part II. Also complete this part for any additional information.

Return Reference	Explanation
PART I, LINE 1A	THE ORGANIZATION PAID CLUB DUES FOR THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER. THESE ARE NOT INCLUDED IN HIS TAXABLE COMPENSATION. THE ORGANIZATION ALSO PAID FOR TRAVEL FOR COMPANIONS FOR THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER. TRAVEL FOR COMPANIONS IS INCLUDED IN HIS TAXABLE COMPENSATION.
PART I, LINE 4B	THE PRESIDENT AND CEO, JOHN RACANELLI PARTICIPATES IN A 457(F) NONQUALIFIED RETIREMENT PLAN. DURING THE TAX YEAR, \$71,220 WAS SET ASIDE AS A CONTRIBUTION TO HIS SECTION 457(F) ACCOUNT. THIS AMOUNT REPRESENTS THREE YEARS' WORTH OF ACCRUALS.
PART I, LINE 7	THE ANNUAL BONUS IS DETERMINED IN PART BASED ON INDIVIDUAL PERFORMANCE AND WHETHER OR NOT THE AQUARIUM MEETS CERTAIN FINANCIAL AND OPERATIONAL BENCHMARKS AS OF THE END OF THE YEAR. BONUSES REFLECTED ARE BASED ON THE IMMEDIATELY PRECEDING CALENDAR YEAR RESULTS.

Additional Data

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Form 990, Schedule J, Part II - Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees

(A) Name and Title		(B) Breakdown of W-2 and/or 1099-MISC compensation			(C) Retirement and other deferred compensation	(D) Nontaxable benefits	(E) Total of columns (B)(i)-(D)	(F) Compensation in column (B) reported as deferred on prior Form 990
		(i) Base Compensation	(ii) Bonus & incentive compensation	(iii) Other reportable compensation				
1JOHN C RACANELLI PRESIDENT/CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER	(i)	398,544	101,650	5,369	76,902	39,673	622,138	0
	(ii)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1WILLIAM HARRISON SVP/CFO	(i)	196,570	10,000	382	5,265	26,052	238,269	0
	(ii)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2CANDACE OSUNSADE SEC/SVP/CHIEF ADMINISTRATION OFFICER	(i)	185,761	37,023	370	3,788	23,736	250,678	0
	(ii)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
3DALE SCHMIDT EVP/CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER	(i)	267,207	45,606	1,097	5,713	24,248	343,871	0
	(ii)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
4MARGOT AMELIA SVP/CHIEF MARKETING OFFICER	(i)	191,172	35,441	697	3,411	18,880	249,601	0
	(ii)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
5KRIS HOELLEN SVP/CHIEF CONSERVATION OFFICER	(i)	183,860	25,062	342	4,710	17,095	231,069	0
	(ii)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
6SCOTT MELTON SVP/CHIEF PHILANTHROPY OFFICER	(i)	180,312	28,724	132	4,395	9,102	222,665	0
	(ii)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
7KATHLEEN SHER SVP/EXTERNAL AFFAIRS	(i)	146,858	38,202	1,197	2,836	15,094	204,187	0
	(ii)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
8BRENT WHITAKER SVP/ANIMAL SCIENCE & WELFARE	(i)	151,622	18,170	534	3,198	22,895	196,419	0
	(ii)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
9JACQUELINE BERSHAD VP PLANNING & DESIGN	(i)	145,087	9,600	251	3,752	1,698	160,388	0
	(ii)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
10SAM TAWIAH VP INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY	(i)	148,859	10,000	180	2,630	24,105	185,774	0
	(ii)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Schedule K
(Form 990)

Supplemental Information on Tax-Exempt Bonds

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Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 24a. Provide descriptions, explanations, and any additional information in Part VI.
Attach to Form 990.

Information about Schedule K (Form 990) and its instructions is at www.irs.gov/form990.

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Part I

Bond Issues

(a) Issuer name	(b) Issuer EIN	(c) CUSIP #	(d) Date issued	(e) Issue price	(f) Description of purpose	(g) Defeased		(h) On behalf of issuer		(i) Pool financing	
						Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
A MARYLAND IND DEV FINANCING AUTHORITY	52-6002033	NONEAVAIL	06-27-2012	25,980,765	REFUND OF PRIOR ISSUES (ISSUE DATE 6/20//2002)		X		X		X

Part II

Proceeds

		A		B		C		D	
1	Amount of bonds retired	9,613,317							
2	Amount of bonds legally defeased								
3	Total proceeds of issue	25,980,765							
4	Gross proceeds in reserve funds								
5	Capitalized interest from proceeds								
6	Proceeds in refunding escrows								
7	Issuance costs from proceeds								
8	Credit enhancement from proceeds								
9	Working capital expenditures from proceeds								
10	Capital expenditures from proceeds								
11	Other spent proceeds	25,980,765							
12	Other unspent proceeds								
13	Year of substantial completion								
		Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
14	Were the bonds issued as part of a current refunding issue?		X						
15	Were the bonds issued as part of an advance refunding issue?	X							
16	Has the final allocation of proceeds been made?	X							
17	Does the organization maintain adequate books and records to support the final allocation of proceeds?	X							

Part III

Private Business Use

	A		B		C		D	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
1 Was the organization a partner in a partnership, or a member of an LLC, which owned property financed by tax-exempt bonds?								
2 Are there any lease arrangements that may result in private business use of bond-financed property?								

Part III Private Business Use (Continued)

		A		B		C		D	
		Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
3a	Are there any management or service contracts that may result in private business use of bond-financed property?								
b	If "Yes" to line 3a, does the organization routinely engage bond counsel or other outside counsel to review any management or service contracts relating to the financed property?								
c	Are there any research agreements that may result in private business use of bond-financed property?								
d	If "Yes" to line 3c, does the organization routinely engage bond counsel or other outside counsel to review any research agreements relating to the financed property?								
4	Enter the percentage of financed property used in a private business use by entities other than a section 501(c)(3) organization or a state or local government ▶								
5	Enter the percentage of financed property used in a private business use as a result of unrelated trade or business activity carried on by your organization, another section 501(c)(3) organization, or a state or local government ▶								
6	Total of lines 4 and 5								
7	Does the bond issue meet the private security or payment test? . . .								
8a	Has there been a sale or disposition of any of the bond-financed property to a nongovernmental person other than a 501(c)(3) organization since the bonds were issued?								
b	If "Yes" to line 8a, enter the percentage of bond-financed property sold or disposed of . .								
c	If "Yes" to line 8a, was any remedial action taken pursuant to Regulations sections 1.141-12 and 1.145-2?								
9	Has the organization established written procedures to ensure that all nonqualified bonds of the issue are remediated in accordance with the requirements under Regulations sections 1.141-12 and 1.145-2?								

Part IV Arbitrage

		A		B		C		D	
		Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
1	Has the issuer filed Form 8038-T, Arbitrage Rebate, Yield Reduction and Penalty in Lieu of Arbitrage Rebate? . . .		X						
2	If "No" to line 1, did the following apply?								
a	Rebate not due yet?		X						
b	Exception to rebate?		X						
c	No rebate due?		X						
	If "Yes" to line 2c, provide in Part VI the date the rebate computation was performed								
3	Is the bond issue a variable rate issue?		X						
4a	Has the organization or the governmental issuer entered into a qualified hedge with respect to the bond issue?		X						
b	Name of provider								
c	Term of hedge								
d	Was the hedge superintegrated?								
e	Was the hedge terminated?								

Part IV Arbitrage (Continued)

		A		B		C		D	
		Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
5a	Were gross proceeds invested in a guaranteed investment contract (GIC)?		X						
b	Name of provider								
c	Term of GIC								
d	Was the regulatory safe harbor for establishing the fair market value of the GIC satisfied?								
6	Were any gross proceeds invested beyond an available temporary period?		X						
7	Has the organization established written procedures to monitor the requirements of section 148?	X							

Part V Procedures To Undertake Corrective Action

		A		B		C		D	
		Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
----- Has the organization established written procedures to ensure that violations of federal tax requirements are timely identified and corrected through the voluntary closing agreement program if self-remediation is not available under applicable regulations?		X							

Part VI Supplemental Information. Provide additional information for responses to questions on Schedule K (see instructions).

SCHEDULE M
(Form 990)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Noncash Contributions

►Complete if the organizations answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, lines 29 or 30.
►Attach to Form 990.
►Information about Schedule M (Form 990) and its instructions is at www.irs.gov/form990

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Part I

Types of Property

	(a) Check if applicable	(b) Number of contributions or items contributed	(c) Noncash contribution amounts reported on Form 990, Part VIII, line 1g	(d) Method of determining noncash contribution amounts
1 Art—Works of art				
2 Art—Historical treasures				
3 Art—Fractional interests				
4 Books and publications	X		189	FAIR MARKET VALUE
5 Clothing and household goods	X		986	FAIR MARKET VALUE
6 Cars and other vehicles				
7 Boats and planes				
8 Intellectual property				
9 Securities—Publicly traded	X	11	484,068	FAIR MARKET VALUE
10 Securities—Closely held stock				
11 Securities—Partnership, LLC, or trust interests				
12 Securities—Miscellaneous				
13 Qualified conservation contribution—Historic structures				
14 Qualified conservation contribution—Other				
15 Real estate—Residential				
16 Real estate—Commercial				
17 Real estate—Other				
18 Collectibles				
19 Food inventory	X	3	8,898	FAIR MARKET VALUE
20 Drugs and medical supplies	X	3	12,471	FAIR MARKET VALUE
21 Taxidermy	X	2	9,100	FAIR MARKET VALUE
22 Historical artifacts				
23 Scientific specimens				
24 Archeological artifacts				
25 Other ► (<u>BOAT MOTOR</u>)	X	2	37,531	FAIR MARKET VALUE
26 Other ► (<u> </u>)				
27 Other ► (<u> </u>)				
28 Other ► (<u> </u>)				

29

Number of Forms 8283 received by the organization during the tax year for contributions for which the organization completed Form 8283, Part IV, Donee Acknowledgement

29

30a

During the year, did the organization receive by contribution any property reported in Part I, lines 1 through 28, that it must hold for at least three years from the date of the initial contribution, and which is not required to be used for exempt purposes for the entire holding period?

30a

Yes

No

b If "Yes," describe the arrangement in Part II

31 Does the organization have a gift acceptance policy that requires the review of any nonstandard contributions?

31

Yes

32a Does the organization hire or use third parties or related organizations to solicit, process, or sell noncash contributions?

32a

No

b If "Yes," describe in Part II

33 If the organization did not report an amount in column (c) for a type of property for which column (a) is checked, describe in Part II

Part II**Supplemental Information.**

Provide the information required by Part I, lines 30b, 32b, and 33, and whether the organization is reporting in Part I, column (b), the number of contributions, the number of items received, or a combination of both. Also complete this part for any additional information.

Return Reference

Explanation

SCHEDULE O
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue ServiceName of the organization
NATIONAL AQUARIUM INC**Supplemental Information to Form 990 or 990-EZ**Complete to provide information for responses to specific questions on
Form 990 or 990-EZ or to provide any additional information.

▶ Attach to Form 990 or 990-EZ.

▶ Information about Schedule O (Form 990 or 990-EZ) and its instructions is at
www.irs.gov/form990.

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990 Schedule O, Supplemental Information

Return Reference	Explanation
FORM 990, PART I, LINE 6	THE ORGANIZATION USES THE SERVICES OF VOLUNTEERS TO REALIZE ITS MISSION TO INSPIRE CONSERVATION OF THE WORLD'S AQUATIC TREASURES THE ORGANIZATION IS VERY APPRECIATIVE OF ALL THE SERVICE FROM OUR VOLUNTEERS VOLUNTEER SERVICE HOURS TOTALED 111,160 HOURS, A VALUE OF \$2,980,141 VOLUNTEERS ARE ESSENTIAL FOR OUR MISSION, AND THE NATIONAL AQUARIUM IS ALWAYS LOOKING FOR MORE VOLUNTEERS TO BECOME A PART OF THE COMMUNITY AND ASSIST THE AQUARIUM IN GETTING ITS MESSAGE OUT TO THE MORE THAN 13 MILLION VISITORS WHO VISIT THE AQUARIUM ANNUALLY

990 Schedule O, Supplemental Information

Return Reference	Explanation
FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION B, LINE 11B	PRIOR TO THE FILING OF THE FORM 990, THE AUDIT COMMITTEE WILL REVIEW THE FORM AND THEN A COPY OF THE FORM WILL BE PROVIDED ELECTRONICALLY TO ALL BOARD MEMBERS

990 Schedule O, Supplemental Information

Return Reference	Explanation
FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION B, LINE 12C	AS STATED IN THE ORGANIZATION'S CONFLICT OF INTEREST POLICY, ANNUALLY EACH BOARD MEMBER AND KEY EMPLOYEE IS REQUIRED TO COMPLETE A CONFLICT OF INTEREST DISCLOSURE AND INDICATE ANY POTENTIAL CONFLICTS. A SUMMARY OF THE DISCLOSURES IS REVIEWED BY THE FINANCE COMMITTEE AND AUDIT COMMITTEE OF THE BOARD AND ANY AND ALL APPROPRIATE ACTIONS ARE THEN TAKEN IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE POLICY. ADDITIONALLY THE SUMMARY OF DISCLOSURES IS DISTRIBUTED TO KEY EMPLOYEES TO ENHANCE THEIR AWARENESS WHEN CONTEMPLATING AND/OR ENTERING INTO BUSINESS TRANSACTIONS.

990 Schedule O, Supplemental Information

Return Reference	Explanation
FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION B, LINE 15	THE COMPENSATION FOR THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER IS REVIEWED AND DOCUMENTED ANNUALLY BY AN INDEPENDENT COMPENSATION COMMITTEE OF THE BOARD, AND UPDATED AS PRUDENT BASED ON INFORMATION RECEIVED FROM INDEPENDENT COMPENSATION STUDIES AND SURVEYS, AS WELL AS INFORMATION RECEIVED BY THE COMMITTEE FROM OTHER INTERNAL AND EXTERNAL SOURCES. THE COMPENSATION FOR THE OTHER OFFICERS AND KEY EMPLOYEES IS REVIEWED AND DOCUMENTED ANNUALLY BY AN INDEPENDENT COMPENSATION COMMITTEE OF THE BOARD. COMPENSATION STUDIES AND SURVEYS ARE USED TO ESTABLISH THEIR COMPENSATION.

990 Schedule O, Supplemental Information

Return Reference	Explanation
FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION C, LINE 19	NATIONAL AQUARIUM, INC HAS ITS GOVERNING DOCUMENTS AND CONFLICT OF INTEREST POLICIES AVAIL- ABLE TO THE PUBLIC UPON REQUEST FINANCIAL STATEMENTS ARE AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST, ON THE WEBSITE, AND ARE INCLUDED WITH PUBLICATIONS ASSOCIATED WITH THE NATIONAL AQUARIUM, INC 'S ANNUAL REPORT THEY ARE ALSO AVAILABLE THROUGH NOT-FOR-PROFIT INTERNET PORTALS SUCH AS GUI- DESTAR AND CHARITY NAVIGATOR THESE DOCUMENTS ARE AVAILABLE FOR THE SAME PERIOD OF DISCLOS- URE AS SET FORTH IN SECTION 6104(D)

990 Schedule O, Supplemental Information

Return Reference	Explanation
FORM 990, PART VII, COLUMN B	THE AVERAGE HOURS PER WEEK LISTED ARE STANDARD PAYROLL HOURS ACTUAL HOURS WORKED ARE GREATER THAN 40

990 Schedule O, Supplemental Information

Return Reference	Explanation
FORM 990, PART XI, LINE 9	LOSS ON INTEREST RATE SWAP -64,496

SCHEDULE R
(Form 990)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Related Organizations and Unrelated Partnerships

► Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 33, 34, 35b, 36, or 37.
► Attach to Form 990.
► Information about Schedule R (Form 990) and its instructions is at www.irs.gov/form990.

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Part I Identification of Disregarded Entities Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 33.					
(a) Name, address, and EIN (if applicable) of disregarded entity	(b) Primary activity	(c) Legal domicile (state or foreign country)	(d) Total income	(e) End-of-year assets	(f) Direct controlling entity
(1) ACRC LENDER LLC 111 MARKET PLACE SUITE 800 BALTIMORE, MD 21202	LEVERAGED LENDER IN NMTC TRANSACTION	MD	117,216	13,732,618	NATIONAL AQUARIUM INC
(2) NANI LLC 111 MARKET PLACE SUITE 800 BALTIMORE, MD 21202	REAL ESTATE HOLDING	MD	0	0	NATIONAL AQUARIUM INC
(3) 2328 CEDLEY STREET LLC 111 MARKET PLACE SUITE 800 BALTIMORE, MD 21202	REAL ESTATE HOLDING	MD	0	80,000	NATIONAL AQUARIUM INC

Part II Identification of Related Tax-Exempt Organizations Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 34 because it had one or more related tax-exempt organizations during the tax year.							
(a) Name, address, and EIN of related organization	(b) Primary activity	(c) Legal domicile (state or foreign country)	(d) Exempt Code section	(e) Public charity status (if section 501(c)(3))	(f) Direct controlling entity	(g) Section 512(b)(13) controlled entity?	
						Yes	No
(1) NATIONAL AQUARIUM FOUNDATION INC 111 MARKET PLACE BALTIMORE, MD 21202 52-1301162	SUPPORTING ORGANIZATION	MD	501(C)(3)	LINE 12A, I	NATIONAL AQUARIUM INC	Yes	
(2) CENTER FOR AQUATIC LIFE AND CONSERVATION INC PIER 3 - 501 EAST PRATT STREET BALTIMORE, MD 21202 20-2158507	EDUCATION ON AQUATIC LIFE AND CONSERVATION	MD	501(C)(3)	PF			No
(3) ACRC LESSOR INC 111 MARKET PLACE BALTIMORE, MD 21202 82-0658936	SUPPORTING ORGANIZATION	MD	501(C)(3)	LINE 12B, II			No

Part III Identification of Related Organizations Taxable as a Partnership Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 34 because it had one or more related organizations treated as a partnership during the tax year.

(a) Name, address, and EIN of related organization	(b) Primary activity	(c) Legal domicile (state or foreign country)	(d) Direct controlling entity	(e) Predominant income(related, unrelated, excluded from tax under sections 512- 514)	(f) Share of total income	(g) Share of end-of-year assets	(h) Disproportionate allocations?		(i) Code V-UBI amount in box 20 of Schedule K-1 (Form 1065)	(j) General or managing partner?		(k) Percentage ownership
							Yes	No		Yes	No	

Part IV Identification of Related Organizations Taxable as a Corporation or Trust Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 34 because it had one or more related organizations treated as a corporation or trust during the tax year.

(a) Name, address, and EIN of related organization	(b) Primary activity	(c) Legal domicile (state or foreign country)	(d) Direct controlling entity	(e) Type of entity (C corp, S corp, or trust)	(f) Share of total income	(g) Share of end-of- year assets	(h) Percentage ownership	(i) Section 512(b) (13) controlled entity?	
								Yes	No

Part V Transactions With Related Organizations Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 34, 35b, or 36.**Note.** Complete line 1 if any entity is listed in Parts II, III, or IV of this schedule**1** During the tax year, did the organization engage in any of the following transactions with one or more related organizations listed in Parts II-IV?

	Yes	No
a Receipt of (i) interest, (ii) annuities, (iii) royalties, or (iv) rent from a controlled entity	1a	No
b Gift, grant, or capital contribution to related organization(s)	1b Yes	
c Gift, grant, or capital contribution from related organization(s)	1c Yes	
d Loans or loan guarantees to or for related organization(s)	1d	No
e Loans or loan guarantees by related organization(s)	1e	No
f Dividends from related organization(s)	1f	No
g Sale of assets to related organization(s)	1g	No
h Purchase of assets from related organization(s)	1h	No
i Exchange of assets with related organization(s)	1i	No
j Lease of facilities, equipment, or other assets to related organization(s)	1j Yes	
k Lease of facilities, equipment, or other assets from related organization(s)	1k Yes	
l Performance of services or membership or fundraising solicitations for related organization(s)	1l	No
m Performance of services or membership or fundraising solicitations by related organization(s)	1m	No
n Sharing of facilities, equipment, mailing lists, or other assets with related organization(s)	1n Yes	
o Sharing of paid employees with related organization(s)	1o Yes	
p Reimbursement paid to related organization(s) for expenses	1p	No
q Reimbursement paid by related organization(s) for expenses	1q	No
r Other transfer of cash or property to related organization(s)	1r	No
s Other transfer of cash or property from related organization(s)	1s	No

2 If the answer to any of the above is "Yes," see the instructions for information on who must complete this line, including covered relationships and transaction thresholds

(a) Name of related organization	(b) Transaction type (a-s)	(c) Amount involved	(d) Method of determining amount involved
(1) NATIONAL AQUARIUM FOUNDATION	B	50,275	FMV
(2) NATIONAL AQUARIUM FOUNDATION	C	1,238,539	FMV

Provide the following information for each entity taxed as a partnership through which the organization conducted more than five percent of its activities (measured by total assets or gross revenue) that was not a related organization. See instructions regarding exclusion for certain investment partnerships.

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Part VII **Supplemental Information**

Provide additional information for responses to questions on Schedule R (see instructions)