

Form 990-EZ

Short Form Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

OMB No 1545-1150

2017

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InspectionDepartment of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

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

- Do not enter social security numbers on this form as it may be made public.
- Go to www.irs.gov/Form990EZ for instructions and the latest information.

A For the 2017 calendar year, or tax year beginning		, and ending	
B Check if applicable		C Name of organization	
<input type="checkbox"/> Address change		Farm Bureau Federation Mississippi Benton County	
<input type="checkbox"/> Name change		Number and street (or P O box, if mail is not delivered to street address)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Initial return		Room/suite	
<input type="checkbox"/> Final return/terminated		P. O Box 7	
<input type="checkbox"/> Amended return		City or town	State
<input type="checkbox"/> Application pending		Ashland	MS
		Foreign country name	ZIP code
			38603-0007
		Foreign province/state/county	Foreign postal code
			US
G Accounting Method		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Cash <input type="checkbox"/> Accrual Other (specify) ►	
I Website: ► N/A			
J Tax-exempt status (check only one) — <input type="checkbox"/> 501(c)(3) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 501(c) (5) <input type="checkbox"/> (insert no) <input type="checkbox"/> 4947(a)(1) or <input type="checkbox"/> 527		H Check ► <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> if the organization is not required to attach Schedule B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF)	
K Form of organization		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Corporation <input type="checkbox"/> Trust <input type="checkbox"/> Association <input type="checkbox"/> Other	
L Add lines 5b, 6c, and 7b to line 9 to determine gross receipts. If gross receipts are \$200,000 or more, or if total assets (Part II, column (B) below) are \$500,000 or more, file Form 990 instead of Form 990-EZ. ► \$ 102,209			

Part I Revenue, Expenses, and Changes in Net Assets or Fund Balances (see the instructions for Part I) Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part I

Revenue	1 Contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts received	1	
	2 Program service revenue including government fees and contracts	2	
	3 Membership dues and assessments	3	47,192
	4 Investment income	4	653
	5a Gross amount from sale of assets other than inventory	5a	
	b Less cost or other basis and sales expenses	5b	
	c Gain or (loss) from sale of assets other than inventory (Subtract line 5b from line 5a)	5c	0
	6 Gaming and fundraising events		
	a Gross income from gaming (attach Schedule G if greater than \$15,000)	6a	
b Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ _____ of contributions from fundraising events reported on line 1) (attach Schedule G if the sum of such gross income and contributions exceeds \$15,000)	6b		
c Less direct expenses from gaming and fundraising events	6c		
d Net income or (loss) from gaming and fundraising events (add lines 6a and 6b and subtract line 6c)	6d	0	
7a Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances	7a	175	
b Less cost of goods sold	7b	400	
c Gross profit or (loss) from sales of inventory (Subtract line 7b from line 7a)	7c	-225	
8 Other revenue (describe in Schedule O)			
9 Total revenue. Add lines 1, 2, 3, 4, 5c, 6d, 7c, and 8		► \$ 54,189	
Expenses	10 Grants and similar amounts paid (list in Schedule O)	10	101,809
	11 Benefits paid to or for members	11	20,686
	12 Salaries, other compensation, and employee benefits	12	
	13 Professional fees and other payments to independent contractors	13	
	14 Occupancy, rent, utilities, and maintenance	14	
	15 Printing, publications, postage, and shipping	15	
	16 Other expenses (describe in Schedule O)	16	78,117
	17 Total expenses. Add lines 10 through 16	17	98,803
Net Assets	18 Excess or (deficit) for the year (Subtract line 17 from line 9)	18	3,006
	19 Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (from line 27, column (A)) (must agree with end-of-year figure reported on prior year's return)	19	170,056
	20 Other changes in net assets or fund balances (explain in Schedule O)	20	-2
	21 Net assets or fund balances at end of year Combine lines 18 through 20	21	173,060

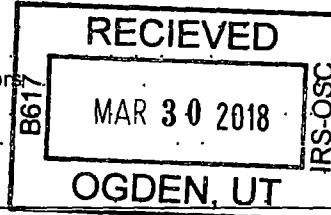
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Part II Balance Sheets. (see the instructions for Part II)Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part II

	(A) Beginning of year	(B) End of year
22 Cash, savings, and investments	146,515	22 149,945
23 Land and buildings	20,736	23 19,136
24 Other assets (describe in Schedule O)	3,720	24 4,720
25 Total assets	170,971	25 173,801
26 Total liabilities (describe in Schedule O)	915	26 741
27 Net assets or fund balances (line 27 of column (B) must agree with line 21)	170,056	27 173,060

Part III Statement of Program Service Accomplishments (see the instructions for Part III)Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part III

What is the organization's primary exempt purpose? To further the interests of farmers in Mississippi

Describe the organization's program service accomplishments for each of its three largest program services, as measured by expenses. In a clear and concise manner, describe the services provided, the number of persons benefited, and other relevant information for each program title

28 To unite through our membership those people or groups of people with a common interest in developing and improving the economic, social, and educational interest of the farmer		
(Grants \$) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here	► <input type="checkbox"/>	28a
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(Grants \$) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here	► <input type="checkbox"/>	29a
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(Grants \$) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here	► <input type="checkbox"/>	30a
31 Other program services (describe in Schedule O)		
(Grants \$) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here	► <input type="checkbox"/>	31a
32 Total program service expenses. (add lines 28a through 31a)		► 32 0

Part IV List of Officers, Directors, Trustees, and Key Employees (list each one even if not compensated—see the instructions for Part IV)Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part IV

(a) Name and title	(b) Average hours per week devoted to position	(c) Reportable compensation (Forms W-2/1099-MISC) (if not paid, enter -0-)	(d) Health benefits, contributions to employee benefit plans, and deferred compensation	(e) Estimated amount of other compensation
Matt Orman				
President	Hr/WK 5 00			
David Bennett, Jr				
Vice President	Hr/WK 3 00			
Brandi Reese				
Secretary/Treasurer	Hr/WK 40 00			
Sid Ayers				
Director	Hr/WK 2 00			
Heath Byrd				
Director	Hr/WK 2 00			
Jerry Childers				
Director	Hr/WK 2 00			
Hamer McKenzie				
Director	Hr/WK 2 00			
Frank Hines				
Director	Hr/WK 2 00			
Lee Mc Kenzie				
Director	Hr/WK 2.00			
Darrell Morrison				
Director	Hr/WK 2 00			
Steve Skelton				
Director	Hr/WK 2 00			
Danny Talbot				
Director	Hr/WK 2.00			

Part V Other Information (Note the Schedule A and personal benefit contract statement requirements in the instructions for Part V) Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part V.

	Yes	No
33 Did the organization engage in any significant activity not previously reported to the IRS? If "Yes," provide a detailed description of each activity in Schedule O	33	X
34 Were any significant changes made to the organizing or governing documents? If "Yes," attach a conformed copy of the amended documents if they reflect a change to the organization's name. Otherwise, explain the change on Schedule O (see instructions)	34	X
35 a Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year from business activities (such as those reported on lines 2, 6a, and 7a, among others)?	35a	X
b If "Yes" to line 35a, has the organization filed a Form 990-T for the year? If "No," provide an explanation in Schedule O	35b	X
c Was the organization a section 501(c)(4), 501(c)(5), or 501(c)(6) organization subject to section 6033(e) notice, reporting, and proxy tax requirements during the year? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part III	35c	X
36 Did the organization undergo a liquidation, dissolution, termination, or significant disposition of net assets during the year? If "Yes," complete applicable parts of Schedule N	36	X
37 a Enter amount of political expenditures, direct or indirect, as described in the instructions ► 37a	37b	X
b Did the organization file Form 1120-POL for this year?	38a	X
38 a Did the organization borrow from, or make any loans to, any officer, director, trustee, or key employee or were any such loans made in a prior year and still outstanding at the end of the tax year covered by this return?	38b	
b If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part II and enter the total amount involved	39a	
39 Section 501(c)(7) organizations Enter	39b	
a Initiation fees and capital contributions included on line 9		
b Gross receipts, included on line 9, for public use of club facilities		
40 a Section 501(c)(3) organizations Enter amount of tax imposed on the organization during the year under section 4911 ► _____, section 4912 ► _____, section 4955 ► _____	40b	
b Section 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations. Did the organization engage in any section 4958 excess benefit transaction during the year, or did it engage in an excess benefit transaction in a prior year that has not been reported on any of its prior Forms 990 or 990-EZ? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I		
c Section 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations Enter amount of tax imposed on organization managers or disqualified persons during the year under sections 4912, 4955, and 4958		
d Section 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations Enter amount of tax on line 40c reimbursed by the organization		
e All organizations At any time during the tax year, was the organization a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction? If "Yes," complete Form 8886-T	40e	X
41 List the states with which a copy of this return is filed. ► _____		
42 a The organization's books are in care of ► Brandi Reese Telephone no ► (662) 224-8946		
Located at ► 30 Main St South City Ashland ST MS ZIP + 4 ► 38603-8115		
b At any time during the calendar year, did the organization have an interest in or a signature or other authority over a financial account in a foreign country (such as a bank account, securities account, or other financial account)? If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country ► _____	42b	X
See the instructions for exceptions and filing requirements for FinCEN Form 114, Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts (FBAR)		
c At any time during the calendar year, did the organization maintain an office outside the United States? If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country ► _____	42c	X
43 Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts filing Form 990-EZ in lieu of Form 1041—Check here ► <input type="checkbox"/>		
and enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the tax year ► 43		
44 a Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds during the year? If "Yes," Form 990 must be completed instead of Form 990-EZ	44a	X
b Did the organization operate one or more hospital facilities during the year? If "Yes," Form 990 must be completed instead of Form 990-EZ	44b	X
c Did the organization receive any payments for indoor tanning services during the year?	44c	X
d If "Yes" to line 44c, has the organization filed a Form 720 to report these payments? If "No," provide an explanation in Schedule O	44d	
45 a Did the organization have a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)?	45a	X
b Did the organization receive any payment from or engage in any transaction with a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? If "Yes," Form 990 and Schedule R may need to be completed instead of Form 990-EZ (see instructions).	45b	X

46 Did the organization engage, directly or indirectly, in political campaign activities on behalf of or in opposition to candidates for public office? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part I.

	Yes	No
46		X

Part VI Section 501(c)(3) organizations only

All section 501(c)(3) organizations must answer questions 47–49b and 52, and complete the tables for lines 50 and 51.

Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part VI

47 Did the organization engage in lobbying activities or have a section 501(h) election in effect during the tax year? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part II

	Yes	No
47		

48 Is the organization a school as described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? If "Yes," complete Schedule E

	Yes	No
48		

49 a Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization?

	Yes	No
49a		

b If "Yes," was the related organization a section 527 organization?

	Yes	No
49b		

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

(a) Name and title of each employee	(b) Average hours per week devoted to position	(c) Reportable compensation (Forms W-2/1099-MISC)	(d) Health benefits, contributions to employee benefit plans, and deferred compensation	(e) Estimated amount of other compensation
Name None				
Title	Hr/WK 00			
Name				
Title	Hr/WK 00			
Name				
Title	Hr/WK 00			
Name				
Title	Hr/WK 00			
Name				
Title	Hr/WK 00			

f Total number of other employees paid over \$100,000

51 Complete this table for the organization's five highest compensated independent contractors who each received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization. If there is none, enter "None."

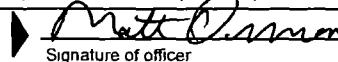
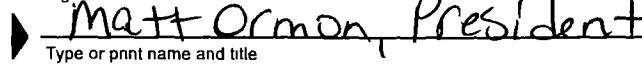
(a) Name and business address of each independent contractor	(b) Type of service	(c) Compensation
Name None	Str	
City	ST ZIP	
Name	Str	
City	ST ZIP	
Name	Str	
City	ST ZIP	
Name	Str	
City	ST ZIP	
Name	Str	
City	ST ZIP	
Name	Str	
City	ST ZIP	

d Total number of other independent contractors each receiving over \$100,000

52 Did the organization complete Schedule A? Note: All section 501(c)(3) organizations must attach a completed Schedule A

Yes No

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  3/20/18
 Signature of officer
 Matt Ormon, President
 Type or print name and title

Paid Preparer Use Only	Print/Type preparer's name	Preparer's signature	Date	Check <input type="checkbox"/> if self-employed	PTIN
	Joseph K Deese	Joseph K Deese	2/26/2018		P01975770
	Firm's name ► Mississippi Farm Bureau Federation				Firm's EIN ► 64-0303134
	Firm's address ► 6311 Ridgewood Rd, Jackson, MS 39211				Phone no (601) 977-4305

May the IRS discuss this return with the preparer shown above? See instructions

Yes No

Part IV (990-EZ) - List of Officers, Directors, Trustees, and Key Employees

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Name of Organization

Farm Bureau Federation Mississippi Benton County

Employer identification number

64-0469189

SCHEDULE O
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

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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.
- Go to www.irs.gov/Form990 for the latest information.

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Farm Bureau Federation Mississippi Benton County	64-0469189

Form 990-EZ, Part I, Line 8, Other Revenue Schedule I 54,189

Form 990-EZ, Part I, Line 10, Grants Paid Activity Dues to State Office, Grantee

Mississippi Farm Bureau Federation 6311 Ridgewood Rd Jackson MS 39211, Cash Grant 20,686,

Relationship

Form 990-EZ, Part I, Line 16, Other Expenses Schedule II 78,117

Form 990-EZ, Part I, Line 20, Net Assets Rounding Difference -2

Form 990-EZ, Part II, Line 24, Other Assets Prepaid Tax-990T Beginning of year 3,440, End

of year 3,560

Form 990-EZ, Part II, Line 24, Other Assets Prepaid Tax-State Beginning of year 280, End of

year 1,160

Form 990-EZ, Part II, Line 26, Liabilities Payroll Taxes Due Beginning of year 915, End of

year 741