

Form 990
2017Department 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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A For the 2017 calendar year, or tax year beginning 10-01-2017, and ending 09-30-2018

<input type="checkbox"/> Check if applicable <input type="checkbox"/> Address change <input type="checkbox"/> Name change <input type="checkbox"/> Initial return <input type="checkbox"/> Final return/terminated <input type="checkbox"/> Amended return <input type="checkbox"/> Application pending	C Name of organization CHARLOTTE HORNETS FOUNDATION INC	D Employer identification number 20-0946449
	% JAMES H DUNLEVY CPA Doing business as	E Telephone number (704) 688-9000
	Number and street (or P O box if mail is not delivered to street address) 333 East Trade Street	Room/suite
	F City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code Charlotte, NC 28202	
G Gross receipts \$ 665,270		
F Name and address of principal officer JAMES H DUNLEVY CPA 333 East Trade Street Charlotte, NC 28202		H(a) Is this a group return for subordinates? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No H(b) Are all subordinates included? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If "No," attach a list (see instructions) H(c) Group exemption number ►
I Tax-exempt status <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 501(c)(3) <input type="checkbox"/> 501(c) () ► (insert no) <input type="checkbox"/> 4947(a)(1) or <input type="checkbox"/> 527 J Website: ► WWW.NBA.COM/HORNETS/CHARLOTTE-HORNETS-FOUNDAT		L Year of formation 2004 M State of legal domicile NC
K Form of organization <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Corporation <input type="checkbox"/> Trust <input type="checkbox"/> Association <input type="checkbox"/> Other ►		

Part I Summary

Activities & Governance 1 Briefly describe the organization's mission or most significant activities The Foundation supports the enrichment of those in need, especially children, in the Charlotte area through community outreach and supporting other orgs with similar goals		
	2 Check this box ► <input type="checkbox"/> 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		
b Net unrelated business taxable income from Form 990-T, line 34		
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)		
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) ► 4,259		
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		
20 Total assets (Part X, line 16)		
21 Total liabilities (Part X, line 26)		
22 Net assets or fund balances Subtract line 21 from line 20		

Net Assets or Fund Balances Beginning of Current Year 20 Total assets (Part X, line 16)	Prior Year	Current Year
	502,704	562,464
	0	0
	10,000	1,186
Expenses 10 Investment income (Part VIII, column (A), lines 3, 4, and 7d)		
	-106,490	-165,495
	406,214	398,155
	274,913	417,716
11 Other revenue (Part VIII, column (A), lines 5, 6d, 8c, 9c, 10c, and 11e)		
	0	0
	26,525	0
	0	0
12 Total revenue—add lines 8 through 11 (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)		
	39,039	17,490
	340,477	435,206
	65,737	-37,051
Beginning of Current Year		
End of Year		
20 Total assets (Part X, line 16)		
	753,506	872,262
	196,788	480,873
	556,718	391,389

Sign Here Signature of officer JAMES H DUNLEVY Treasurer Type or print name and title	2019-08-15
	Date

Paid Preparer Use Only Print/Type preparer's name Michele n Melchior	Preparer's signature Michele n Melchior	Date	Check <input type="checkbox"/> if self-employed	PTIN P00488037	
	Firm's name ► Grant Thornton LLP		Firm's EIN ►		
	Firm's address ► 201 S COLLEGE ST STE 2500 CHARLOTTE, NC 28244		Phone no (704) 632-3500		
	May the IRS discuss this return with the preparer shown above? (see instructions) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No				

Part III Statement of Program Service Accomplishments

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

1 Briefly describe the organization's mission

THROUGH THE INVESTMENT OF TIME, TALENTS, AND TREASURE, THE CHARLOTTE HORNETS FOUNDATION WILL SUPPORT, PROMOTE, AND ENHANCE IMPORTANT COMMUNITY EFFORTS THAT ENRICH THE QUALITY OF LIFE FOR THOSE IN NEED, ESPECIALLY CHILDREN AND YOUTH IN THE CHARLOTTE AREA. THE FOUNDATION WILL SUPPORT ELIGIBLE 501(C)(3) ORGANIZATIONS THAT DELIVER PROGRAMS THAT IMPACT LITERACY AND EDUCATION, FITNESS AND WELLNESS, AND HUNGER

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


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, <i>Schedule of Contributors</i> (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	No
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	No
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	No
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	No
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	No
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	No
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	No
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	Yes
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)

20a Did the organization operate one or more hospital facilities? *If "Yes," complete Schedule H*

	Yes	No
20a		No

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	2	
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		
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	0	
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		
3a Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year? . . .	3a	No	
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		
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).	7a	Yes	
b 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? . . .	7b	Yes	
c If "Yes," did the organization notify the donor of the value of the goods or services provided? . . .	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		

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

1a Enter the number of voting members of the governing body at the end of the tax year

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

2 Did any officer, director, trustee, or key employee have a family relationship or a business relationship with any other

		Yes	No
1a		4	
1b		0	

Part VII Section A. Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees (continued)

1b Sub-Total	►			
c Total from continuation sheets to Part VII, Section A . . .	►			
d Total (add lines 1b and 1c)	►	0	119,966	4,918

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 ► 0

3 Did the organization list any **former** officer, director or trustee, key employee, or highest compensated employee on line 1a? If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual.

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? If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual.

5 Did any person listed on line 1a receive or accrue compensation from any unrelated organization or individual for services rendered to the organization? If "Yes," complete Schedule 2 for such person.

	Yes	No
3		No
4		No

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	404,265	404,265		
2 Grants and other assistance to domestic individuals See Part IV, line 22	13,451	13,451		
3 Grants and other assistance to foreign organizations, foreign governments, and foreign individuals See Part IV, line 15 and 16	0			
4 Benefits paid to or for members	0			
5 Compensation of current officers, directors, trustees, and key employees	0			
6 Compensation not included above, to disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)) and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B)	0			
7 Other salaries and wages	0			
8 Pension plan accruals and contributions (include section 401 (k) and 403(b) employer contributions)	0			
9 Other employee benefits	0			
10 Payroll taxes	0			
11 Fees for services (non-employees)				
a Management	0			
b Legal	0			
c Accounting	0			
d Lobbying	0			
e Professional fundraising services See Part IV, line 17	0			
f Investment management fees	0			
g Other (If line 11g amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A) amount, list line 11g expenses on Schedule O)	0			
12 Advertising and promotion	0			
13 Office expenses	13,231		13,231	
14 Information technology	0			
15 Royalties	0			
16 Occupancy	0			
17 Travel	0			
18 Payments of travel or entertainment expenses for any federal, state, or local public officials	0			
19 Conferences, conventions, and meetings	0			
20 Interest	0			
21 Payments to affiliates	0			
22 Depreciation, depletion, and amortization	0			
23 Insurance	0			
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 MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSE	4,259			4,259
b				
c				
d				
e All other expenses				
25 Total functional expenses. Add lines 1 through 24e	435,206	417,716	13,231	4,259
26 Joint costs. Complete this line only if the organization reported in column (B) joint costs from a combined educational campaign and fundraising solicitation				

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	707,000	1	794,310	
	2 Savings and temporary cash investments	0	2	0	
	3 Pledges and grants receivable, net	0	3	0	
	4 Accounts receivable, net	0	4	0	
	5 Loans and other receivables from current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, and highest compensated employees Complete Part II of Schedule L	0	5	0	
	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	0	6	0	
	7 Notes and loans receivable, net	0	7	0	
	8 Inventories for sale or use	0	8	0	
	9 Prepaid expenses and deferred charges	46,506	9	77,952	
	10a Land, buildings, and equipment cost or other basis Complete Part VI of Schedule D	10a			
	b Less accumulated depreciation	10b	0	10c	0
	11 Investments—publicly traded securities	0	11	0	
	12 Investments—other securities See Part IV, line 11	0	12	0	
	13 Investments—program-related See Part IV, line 11	0	13	0	
	14 Intangible assets	0	14	0	
	15 Other assets See Part IV, line 11	0	15	0	
	16 Total assets Add lines 1 through 15 (must equal line 34)	753,506	16	872,262	
Liabilities	17 Accounts payable and accrued expenses	8,938	17	162,143	
	18 Grants payable	0	18	0	
	19 Deferred revenue	187,850	19	318,730	
	20 Tax-exempt bond liabilities	0	20	0	
	21 Escrow or custodial account liability Complete Part IV of Schedule D	0	21	0	
	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	0	22	0	
	23 Secured mortgages and notes payable to unrelated third parties	0	23	0	
	24 Unsecured notes and loans payable to unrelated third parties	0	24	0	
	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	0	25	0	
	26 Total liabilities Add lines 17 through 25	196,788	26	480,873	
Net Assets or Fund Balances	Organizations that follow SFAS 117 (ASC 958), check here ► <input type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 27 through 29, and lines 33 and 34.				
	27 Unrestricted net assets		27		
	28 Temporarily restricted net assets		28		
	29 Permanently restricted net assets		29		
	Organizations that do not follow SFAS 117 (ASC 958), check here ► <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 30 through 34.				
	30 Capital stock or trust principal, or current funds	0	30	0	
	31 Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, building or equipment fund	0	31	0	
	32 Retained earnings, endowment, accumulated income, or other funds	556,718	32	391,389	
	33 Total net assets or fund balances	556,718	33	391,389	
	34 Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances	753,506	34	872,262	

Part XI Reconciliation of Net Assets

Check 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	398,155
2	Total expenses (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	2	435,206
3	Revenue less expenses Subtract line 2 from line 1	3	-37,051
4	Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (must equal Part X, line 33, column (A))	4	556,718
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	-128,278
10	Net assets or fund balances at end of year Combine lines 3 through 9 (must equal Part X, line 33, column (B))	10	391,389

Part XII Financial Statements and Reporting

Check if Schedule Q contains a response or note to any line in this Part XII

Check if Schedule C contains a response or note to any line in this Part XII

1 Accounting method used to prepare the Form 990: Cash Accrual Other _____
If the organization changed its method of accounting from a prior year or checked "Other," explain in _____

If the organization changed its method of accounting from a prior year or checked "Other," explain:

Additional Data

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Name: CHARLOTTE HORNETS FOUNDATION INC

Form 990 (2017)

Form 990, Part III, Line 4a:

Activities Generally, the foundation uses its relationship with the players, coaches, and management of the Charlotte Hornets NBA team as a platform to raise awareness about the importance of Literacy, Education, Health and Fitness, Military Care and Hunger. The Foundation hosted the My Hero Gala to raise money for two causes. Half of the net proceeds from the event went to support the Charlotte Hornets Foundation while the other half of the net proceeds went to support the Novant Health Foundation's community care cruiser. The community care cruiser is a 40-foot mobile clinic that provides immunizations and other clinical medical services to the uninsured and underinsured children in the greater Charlotte area. Grant Making Grant Making was the foundation's way of demonstrating and displaying the foundation's commitment to the priorities of the organization and community it serves. The foundation uses its community contacts to identify programs that have the largest impact to the Foundation's mission. Grants to Alexander Youth Network, American Heart Association, CA Johnson High School, CLT Chamber of Commerce, Community Foundation of Greater Greensboro, Make a Wish Foundation of C&W NC, Men's Shelter of Charlotte, Real School Gardens, Rebuilding Together of Greater Charlotte, and the Steve Smith Foundation accomplished that objective. Education Education is a priority area for the foundation. Promotional campaigns such as billboards, in-arena public services announcements, as well as community public services announcements, posters, and informational literature were developed using players and coaches of the Charlotte Hornets, as well as community leaders as spokespersons to raise community awareness about literacy.

Form 990, Part III, Line 4b:

Ticket for Kids Program the ticket for kids program allows children and youth to attend NBA basketball games for the Charlotte Hornets. These children would probably otherwise not have an opportunity to attend a game. The foundation receives donated tickets from the public and distributes them to various 501(c)(3) organizations in the Charlotte Region.

Form 990, Part III, Line 4c:

The Foundation has created an educational scholarship for students showing academic promise but who have insufficient resources to fund their college ambitions. The

SCHEDULE A
(Form 990 or
990EZ)Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service**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.**2017****Open to Public
Inspection****Name of the organization**
CHARLOTTE HORNETS FOUNDATION INC**Employer identification number**

20-0946449

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).

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")	1,092,343	700,395	546,687	502,704	562,464	3,404,593
2	Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf						0
3	The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge						0
4	Total. Add lines 1 through 3	1,092,343	700,395	546,687	502,704	562,464	3,404,593
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)						926,946
6	Public support. Subtract line 5 from line 4						2,477,647

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	1,092,343	700,395	546,687	502,704	562,464	3,404,593
8	Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources					1,186	1,186
9	Net income from unrelated business activities, whether or not the business is regularly carried on						0
10	Other income Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part VI)	112,627	127,072	128,315	150,052	101,620	619,686
11	Total support. Add lines 7 through 10						4,025,465
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** ►

Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage

14	Public support percentage for 2017 (line 6, column (f) divided by line 11, column (f))	14	61 549 %
15	Public support percentage for 2016 Schedule A, Part II, line 14	15	58 887 %
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 checked="" 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")						
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						
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						
7a Amounts included on lines 1, 2, and 3 received from disqualified persons						
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						
c Add lines 7a and 7b						
8 Public support. (Subtract line 7c from line 6)						

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						
10a Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources						
b Unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 taxes) from businesses acquired after June 30, 1975						
c Add lines 10a and 10b						
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)						
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						► <input type="checkbox"/>

Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage

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

Section D. Computation of Investment Income Percentage

17 Investment income percentage for 2017 (line 10c, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f))	17	
18 Investment income percentage from 2016 Schedule A, Part III, line 17	18	
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		► <input type="checkbox"/>
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		► <input type="checkbox"/>
20 Private foundation. If the organization did not check a box on line 14, 19a, or 19b, check this box and see instructions		► <input type="checkbox"/>

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? 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	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)? If "Yes," explain in Part VI how the organization determined that the supported organization was described in section 509(a)(1) or (2)	2	
3a Did the organization have a supported organization described in section 501(c)(4), (5), or (6)? If "Yes," answer (b) and (c) below	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)? If "Yes," describe in Part VI when and how the organization made the determination	3b	
c Did the organization ensure that all support to such organizations was used exclusively for section 170(c)(2)(B) purposes? If "Yes," explain in Part VI what controls the organization put in place to ensure such use	3c	
4a Was any supported organization not organized in the United States ("foreign supported organization")? If "Yes" and if you checked 12a or 12b in Part I, answer (b) and (c) below	4a	
b Did the organization have ultimate control and discretion in deciding whether to make grants to the foreign supported organization? 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	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)? 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	4c	
5a Did the organization add, substitute, or remove any supported organizations during the tax year? 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)	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? If "Yes," provide detail in Part VI .	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? If "Yes," complete Part I of Schedule L (Form 990 or 990-EZ)	7	
8 Did the organization make a loan to a disqualified person (as defined in section 4958) not described in line 7? If "Yes," complete Part I of Schedule L (Form 990 or 990-EZ)	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))? If "Yes," provide detail in Part VI .	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? If "Yes," provide detail in Part VI .	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? If "Yes," provide detail in Part VI .	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)? If "Yes," answer line 10b below	10a	
b Did the organization have any excess business holdings in the tax year? (Use Schedule C, Form 4720, to determine whether the organization had excess business holdings)	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?	11a	
b	A family member of a person described in (a) above?	11b	
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>	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? 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		
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? 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	1	
	2	

Section C. Type II Supporting Organizations

VCS Na

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.	

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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 G
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)Supplemental Information Regarding
Fundraising or Gaming Activities

OMB No 1545-0047

2017

Open to Public
InspectionDepartment of the Treasury
Internal Revenue ServiceComplete 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 <input type="checkbox"/> Mail solicitations	e <input type="checkbox"/> Solicitation of non-government grants
b <input type="checkbox"/> Internet and email solicitations	f <input type="checkbox"/> Solicitation of government grants
c <input type="checkbox"/> Phone solicitations	g <input type="checkbox"/> Special fundraising events
d <input type="checkbox"/> 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
1		Yes	No			
2						
3						
4						
5						
6						
7						
8						
9						
10						
Total						

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

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 My Hero Gala (event type)	(b) Event #2 Ride @ the Hive (event type)	(c) Other events 3 (total number)	(d) Total events (add col (a) through col (c))
Revenue				
1 Gross receipts	565,727	30,675	13,011	609,413
2 Less Contributions	503,727	29,675		533,402
3 Gross income (line 1 minus line 2)	62,000	1,000	13,011	76,011
Direct Expenses				
4 Cash prizes				
5 Noncash prizes	6,920	1,967		8,887
6 Rent/facility costs				
7 Food and beverages	95,599	8,078		103,677
8 Entertainment	5,594			5,594
9 Other direct expenses	143,175	3,434	2,347	148,956
10 Direct expense summary Add lines 4 through 9 in column (d)				267,114 ►
11 Net income summary Subtract line 10 from line 3, column (d)				-191,103 ►

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				
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 _____

Yes No

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

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
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**Schedule I
(Form 990)**Department of the
Treasury
Internal Revenue Service**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.**2017****Open to Public
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Part I General 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) See Additional Data							
(2)							
(3)							
(4)							
(5)							
(6)							
(7)							
(8)							
(9)							
(10)							
(11)							
(12)							

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

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

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) TUITION, BOOKS, SUPPLIES, AND SCHOOL ACTIVITIES	2	13,451			
(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
Schedule I, Part I, Line 2	The Foundation has various procedures in place for monitoring the use of grant funds in the United States. These procedures vary depending on the organizations Examples of how the foundation monitors grants include but are not limited to having recipients sign a letter of understanding with respect to the use of funds, conducting follow-up interviews with the program directors, and requiring various grantees to provide the foundation with reports. The Foundation identifies potential scholarship candidates through its work with community organizations. The Foundation maintains continuous contact with students to ensure eligibility criteria continue to be met to qualify for funding.

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(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 non-cash assistance	(h) Purpose of grant or assistance
ALEXANDER YOUTH NETWORK 6220 Thermal Road Charlotte, NC 28211	56-0554413	501(c)(3)	10,000	0	FMV		EDUCATIONAL SUPPORT FOR CHILDREN
AMERICAN HEART ASSOCIATION 7272 Greenville Avenue Dallas, TX 75231	13-5613797	501(c)(3)	10,000	0	FMV		SPONSOR HEART BALL & GO RED FOR WOMEN

Form 990, Schedule I, Part II, Grants and Other Assistance to Domestic Organizations and Domestic Governments.

Line	Category	Description	Amount
1	1	1	1
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Form 990, Schedule I, Part II, Grants and Other Assistance to Domestic Organizations and Domestic Governments.

(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 non-cash assistance	(h) Purpose of grant or assistance
COMMUNITY FOUNDATION OF GREATER GBORO 330 South Green Street No 100 Greensboro, NC 274012659	56-1380249	501(c)(3)	7,500	0	FMV	SWARM TORNADO RELIEF - DONATION TOWARDS SUPPLIES	
MAKE A WISH FOUNDATION OF C&W NC 1131 Harding Place Charlotte, NC 28204	56-1492432	501(c)(3)	6,000	0	FMV	SILVER SPONSORSHIP FOR WISH BALL	

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MEN'S SHELTER OF CHARLOTTE PO Box 36471 Charlotte, NC 28236	56-1474475	501(c)(3)	50,000	0	FMV	FACILIATE KITCHEN RENOVATION	
REAL SCHOOL GARDENS 5520 Connecticut Avenue NW Suite 20 Washington, DC 20015	20-5946552	501(c)(3)	18,750	0	FMV	CREATE OUTDOOR CLASSROOM - LEBANON	two individual to cover tuition, books, supplies, and school activities

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REBUILDING TOGETHER OF GREATER CHARLOTTE PO Box 34037 Charlotte, NC 28234	27-3101212	501(c)(3)	15,000	1,913	RETAIL VALUE	Various Goods	REJUVENATE/RENOVATE VETERAN HOME
STEVE SMITH FOUNDATION PO Box 77401 Charlotte, NC 28271	30-0778749	501(c)(3)	14,000	0	FMV	DONATION TO THE STEVE SMITH FOUNDATION	

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(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 non-cash assistance	(h) Purpose of grant or assistance
NOVANT HEALTH FOUNDATION PO BOX 33549 CHARLOTTE, NC 28233	58-1413074	501(C)(3)	157,221	FMV			DONATION TO THE NOVANT HEALTH FOUNDATION

SCHEDULE O
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Department of the Treasury

Internal Revenue Service

Name of the organization

CHARLOTTE HORNETS FOUNDATION 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 VI, Line 2	The Vice Chairman, President, Executive Director, Secretary, Treasurer and Chairman all have business relationships

990 Schedule O, Supplemental Information

Return Reference	Explanation
Form 990, Part VI, Line 11b	The Treasurer compiles the information for the tax service provider, Grant Thornton LLP. Grant Thornton LLP in turn, prepares the return and reviews it with the Treasurer. The Treasurer takes the return to the Foundation's executive director and provides the necessary explanations. The executive director performs a highly detailed review and completes his/her understanding by posing follow-up questions to the Treasurer. Once edits have been made and the 990 has been finalized, the executive director presents the 990 to the board of directors. The 990 is submitted to the IRS only after the board has approved the filing.

990 Schedule O, Supplemental Information

Return Reference	Explanation
Form 990, Part VI, Line 12c	<p>The Charlotte Hornets Foundation, Inc has implemented a written conflict of interest policy. The policy applies to all persons in a position to influence the affairs of the corporation including without limitation, officers, directors, any person described as management personnel, any person who makes purchasing decisions on behalf of the corporation and any person who has proprietary information (each interested person). Immediate family members of interested persons and entities in which any interested person has a 30% ownership interest also are covered by this policy. An interested person must disclose the existence of his or her financial interest and must be given the opportunity to disclose all material facts to the directors, and members of committees with board delegated powers, considering the proposed transaction or arrangement. After an interested person discloses a financial interest and all material facts, and after any discussion with the interested person, the interested person must leave the board or committee meeting while the determination of a conflict of interest is discussed and voted upon. The remaining board or committee members decide if a conflict of interest exists. A conflict of interest always exists when a voting member receives compensation directly from the corporation. If it is decided that a conflict of interest exists, the interested person may make a presentation at the board or committee meeting. After such presentation, he/she must leave the meeting during the discussion of, and the vote on, the transaction or arrangement that results in the conflict of interest. The chairperson of the board or committee then, if appropriate, appoints a disinterested person or committee to investigate alternatives to the proposed transaction or arrangement. After exercising due diligence (at least 3 comparable quotes, if applicable), the board or committee determines whether the corporation can obtain a more advantageous transaction or arrangement with reasonable efforts from a person or entity that would not give rise to a conflict of interest. If a more advantageous transaction or arrangement is not reasonably attainable, the board or committee determines by a majority vote of the disinterested directors whether the transaction or arrangement is in the corporation's best interest and for its own benefit and whether the transaction is fair and reasonable to the corporation. The board or committee makes its decision as to whether to enter into the transaction or arrangement in conformity with such determination.</p>

990 Schedule O, Supplemental Information

Return Reference	Explanation
Form 990, Part VI, Line 15a	The compensation was determined by the board (independent persons) after reviewing reasonable compensation plans. The decision can be found in the Foundation's board meetings minutes. Also see the response to Form 990, Part VII

990 Schedule O, Supplemental Information

Return Reference	Explanation
Form 990, Part VI, Line 19	All documents (governing documents, conflict of interest policy, & financial statements) are made available to the public upon request

990 Schedule O, Supplemental Information

Return Reference	Explanation
Form 990, Part VII	Compensation THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR IS AN EMPLOYEE OF, AND HER COMPENSATION IS PROVIDED ENTIRELY BY, THE RELATED ORGANIZATION FOR SERVICES PROVIDED TO THIS ORGANIZATION THESE SERVICES WERE DONATED TO THE FOUNDATION

990 Schedule O, Supplemental Information

Return Reference	Explanation
Form 990, Part XI, Line 9	SCHOLARSHIP ACCRUAL (\$128,278)

**SCHEDULE R
(Form 990)**

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

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.

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.

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.

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?

- a** Receipt of (i) interest, (ii) annuities, (iii) royalties, or (iv) rent from a controlled entity
- b** Gift, grant, or capital contribution to related organization(s)
- c** Gift, grant, or capital contribution from related organization(s)
- d** Loans or loan guarantees to or for related organization(s)
- e** Loans or loan guarantees by related organization(s)
- f** Dividends from related organization(s)
- g** Sale of assets to related organization(s)
- h** Purchase of assets from related organization(s)
- i** Exchange of assets with related organization(s)
- j** Lease of facilities, equipment, or other assets to related organization(s)
- k** Lease of facilities, equipment, or other assets from related organization(s)
- l** Performance of services or membership or fundraising solicitations for related organization(s)
- m** Performance of services or membership or fundraising solicitations by related organization(s)
- n** Sharing of facilities, equipment, mailing lists, or other assets with related organization(s)
- o** Sharing of paid employees with related organization(s)
- p** Reimbursement paid to related organization(s) for expenses
- q** Reimbursement paid by related organization(s) for expenses
- r** Other transfer of cash or property to related organization(s)
- s** Other transfer of cash or property from related organization(s)

	Yes	No
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1n	Yes	
1o	Yes	
1p	Yes	
1q		No
1r		No
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

Part VI **Unrelated Organizations Taxable as a Partnership** Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 37

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.

Part VII Supplemental Information

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