Short Form Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

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

2018

OMB No 1545-1150

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Department of the Treasury

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Internal Revenue Service			0010		20		
			ar year, or tax year beginning , 2018, and ending		, 20		
B Check if applicable C Name of organization			C Name of organization	D Employer identification number			
Address change			Alliance of Sustainable Farms Number and street (or P O. box, if mail is not delivered to street address) Room/suite E		1-1610660		
$\overline{}$	Name cha	- ,	Telephone number				
=	Initial return/terminated 1060 East County Line Road, 3A162				(601) 562-9451		
=	-inai retui Amended	1	City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code	Group Exe	mption		
=		on pending	Ridgeland, MS 39157	Number I	>		
		ting Method:		eck ▶ 🔲	f the organization is not		
	Vebsite	•			ach Schedule B		
	ах-ехег		0-EZ, or 990-PF)				
			eck only one) — 501(c)(3) □ 501(c) () (Insert no) □ 4947(a)(1) or □ 527 (For poration □ Trust □ Association □ Other				
LA	dd line	s 5b. 6c. and	7b to line 9 to determine gross receipts If gross receipts are \$200,000 or more, or if total ass	sets			
			\$500,000 or more, file Form 990 instead of Form 990-EZ	▶ s	156,780		
	art I		e, Expenses, and Changes in Net Assets or Fund Balances (see the ins	structions			
	all C		the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part I				
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	1		ons, gifts, grants, and similar amounts received	2	156,780		
	2	_	ervice revenue including government fees and contracts	· —			
	3		ip dues and assessments	3			
	4	Investment		. 4			
	5a		ount from sale of assets other than inventory 5a				
	: , b		or other basis and sales expenses				
	С	Gain or (lo:	ss) from sale of assets other than inventory (Subtract line 5b from line 5a)	. 5c			
	6	Gaming ar	nd fundraising events:		* * * * - * -		
	· a	Gross inc	ome from gaming (attach Schedule G if greater than				
e)	٠.	\$15,000)		n			
Revenue	, p	Gross inco	ome from fundraising events (not including \$ of contributions				
ě	~		aising events reported on line 1) (attach Schedule G if the		•		
<u> </u>		sum of suc	ch gross income and contributions exceeds \$15,000) 6b				
	С		et expenses from gaming and fundraising events 6c				
	ď		e or (loss) from gaming and fundraising events (add lines 6a and 6b and subtra	act			
	"	line 6c)	e of 1055) from garining and fandraising events ladd into od and ob and obsar	. Gd			
	- -	•	s of inventory, less returns and allowances	- 00			
	7a		,,	 			
	b		0.9000				
	C		it or (loss) from sales of inventory (Subtract line 7b from line 7a)	. 7c			
	8		nue (describe in Schedule O)	. 8			
	9		nue. Add lines 1, 2, 3, 4, 5c, 6d, 7c, and 8	▶ 9	156,780		
	10		d similar amounts paid (list in Schedule O)	10			
	11		aid to or for members	11			
es	12		ther compensation, and employee benefits	12	81,983		
Expenses	13		al fees and other payments to independent contractors	13	553		
ğ	14	•	y, rent, utilities, and maintenance	1. 14			
ω	15	O		. 15	238		
	16	Other expe		. 16	87,992		
	17	Total expe	enses (describe in Schedule O)	17	170,766		
' 0	18	:Excess or	(deficit) for the year (Subtract line 17 from line 9)	. 18	-13,986		
ë	19	Net assets	or fund balances at beginning of year (from line 27, column (A)) (must agree with	ith			
\ss			ar figure reported on prior year's return)	. 19	27,684		
Net Assets	20		nges in net assets or fund balances (explain in Schedule O)	. 20	13,396		
ž	21	Net assets	or fund balances at end of year. Combine lines 18 through 20	▶ 21	27,094		
<u></u>	Ponce		tion Act Notice see the congrete instructions Cat No 10642		Form 990-EZ (2018)		

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Pai	rt II Balance Sheets (see the instructions f	or Part II)				
I G	Check if the organization used Schedule		av augetion in this	Dart II		П
	Officer if the organization used Schedule	O to respond to di	iy question in this	(A) Beginning of year	•	(B) End of year
22	Cash, savings, and investments		-	26,356	22	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
23	Land and buildings		· · · · · ·	20,330	23	14,032
24	<u> </u>		+	4 440		
	Other assets (describe in Schedule O)		· · · · · ·	1,418		14,696
25	Total assets			27,774		28,728
26	Total liabilities (describe in Schedule O)	(5)			26	1,634
27	Net assets or fund balances (line 27 of column			27,684	2/	27,094
Par	Statement of Program Service Accom	•		•		Expenses
1411	Check if the organization used Schedule			Part III	(Rec	guired for section
wna	t is the organization's primary exempt purpose?	small farm education	<u> </u>		501	(c)(3) and 501(c)(4)
Desc	cribe the organization's program service accomplis	shments for each o	f its three largest p	rogram services,		anizations, optional for
	neasured by expenses. In a clear and concise m		e services provided	I, the number of	othe	ers)
	ons benefited, and other relevant information for ea	ch program title.				
28	Univ. of Ga Sustainable Agriculture					
	Quarterly statewide trainings for agricultural professi	ional and educators,	farmers leaders on s	ustainavble		
	agricultural practices and technologies. 8 training se					
	(Grants \$) If this amount	includes foreign gra	nts, check here .	▶ 🗆	28 a	32,192
29	USDA-OAO Transition to Sustainabilty					
	Statewide trainings for small-scale, limited resource,	socially-disadvantag	ed, and beginning fa	rmers on		
	sustainable practices; and mentoring program. 24 tra	inings and 50 mento	rs/mentees.			
	(Grants \$) If this amount	includes foreign gra	nts, check here .	▶ 🗆	29a	97,674
30	USDA-NRCS					
	Monthly field days/training for specilty crop farmers.	and demonstration of	n sustainable practi	ces.		}
	24 field days and more than 840 participants.					İ
		ıncludes foreign gra	nts. check here .	▶ 🖺	30a	39,948
31	Other program services (describe in Schedule O)					
		includes foreign gra			31a	952
32	Total program service expenses (add lines 28a t				32	
Par	List of Officers, Directors, Trustees, and Key	Employees (list each	one even if not com	pensated—see the in		
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Part	Other Information (Note the Schedule A and personal benefit contract statement requirements instructions for Part V.) Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this			. 🔽
.——	Instructions for Fart V.) Officer in the organization used conclude of to respond to any question in the	<i>,,</i> α	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		1
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		1
35a	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		1
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		T.
	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		
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		1
37a	Enter amount of political expenditures, direct or indirect, as described in the instructions ▶ 37a	↓ —		
b	Did the organization file Form 1120-POL for this year?	37b	 _	✓
38a	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?	38a		√
b	If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part II and enter the total amount involved	-		1
39	Section 501(c)(7) organizations. Enter: Initiation fees and capital contributions included on line 9			
	Thicker 1000 and Suprial Control of the Control of	4		
b 40a	Gross receipts, included on line 9, for public use of club facilities	-		
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	40b		1
С	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			
е	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		1
41	List the states with which a copy of this return is filed ► Mississippi			
42a	The organization obooks are in oars of a second sec	601) 5		
	Located at ► 421 Pecan Ave., Philadelphia, MS 39350 ZIP + 4 ►	39350)-2937	
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)?	42b	Yes	No ✓
	If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country ▶ See the instructions for exceptions and filing requirements for FinCEN Form 114, Report of Foreign Bank and			
	Financial Accounts (FBAR).			
С	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		√
43	Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts filing Form 990-EZ in lieu of Form 1041 —Check here		. 1	▶ □
10	and enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the tax year		Yes	No
44a	Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds during the year? If "Yes," Form 990 must be completed instead of Form 990-EZ	44a		7
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		7
_	Did the organization receive any payments for indoor tanning services during the year?	44c		▼
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	<u> </u>	√
45a	Did the organization have a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)?	45a		1
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		

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46	Did the organization engage, directly or ii	- ndirectly, in political c	ampaign activities on	behalf of or in opposi	tion [Yes	No
	to candidates for public office? If "Yes," of	complete Schedule C,					√
Part	VI Section 501(c)(3) Organization All section 501(c)(3) organization 50 and 51. Check if the organization used Sc	ns must answer que			e tables t	for lin	es . 🗆
47	Did the organization engage in lobbying year? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Par	on engage in lobbying activities or have a section 501(h) election in effect during the tax				Yes	No
48 49a b 50	Is the organization a school as described in Did the organization make any transfers the "Yes," was the related organization a secomplete this table for the organization's	n section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii to an exempt non-cha ection 527 organizatio s five highest compens	i)? If "Yes," complete s ritable related organiz in?	Schedule E	. 49a . 49b ors, truste	es, ar	√ √ √ nd key
	employees) who each received more than (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) Estimat	ed amo	unt of
None							
			<u></u>				
51	Total number of other employees paid ov Complete this table for the organization \$100,000 of compensation from the organization	's five highest compe	ensated independent one, enter "None."	contractors who each	h received	l`more	than
	(a) Name and business address of each independent		(b) Type of serv	ice (c) Compensat	ion	
None							
					,		
d 52	Total number of other independent contribution of the organization complete Schedule A			nizations must attac			Ma
Under p	completed Schedule A	retum, including accompan n officer) is based on all info	ying schedules and stateme ormation of which preparer h	ents, and to the best of my k has any knowledge	.▶ ✓ Yes		, it is
Sign Here	Stove Murray Transport			4-15 - Date	-19		

SCHEDULE A (Form 990 or 990-EZ)

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.

► Go to www.irs.gov/Form990 for instructions and the latest information.

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Name of the organization Employer identification number Alliance of Sustainable Farms 811610660 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.) A church, convention of churches, or association of churches described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(i). A school described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii). (Attach Schedule E (Form 990 or 990-EZ).) A hospital or a cooperative hospital service organization described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii). 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. 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.) A federal, state, or local government or governmental unit described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(v). 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.) A community trust described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi). (Complete Part II.) An agricultural research organization described in section 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: An organization that normally receives: (1) more than 331/2% of its support from contributions, membership fees, and gross 10 receipts from activities related to its exempt functions—subject to certain exceptions, and (2) no more than 331/3% 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.) 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. 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. 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. ☐ 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. Check this box if the organization received a written determination from the IRS that it is a Type I, Type III, Type III functionally integrated, or Type III non-functionally integrated supporting organization. Enter the number of supported organizations Provide the following information about the supported organization(s). (i) Name of supported organization (iii) Type of organization (iv) Is the organization (v) Amount of monetary (ii) EIN (vi) Amount of (described on lines 1-10 listed in your governing support (see other support (see document? above (see instructions)) instructions) instructions) Yes Nο (A) (B) (C) (D) (E)

Total

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Part	Support Schedule for Organization (Complete only if you checked the Part III. If the organization fails to	e box on lin	e 5, 7, or 8 of	Part I or if th	e organizatior	n failed to qua	
Sect	ion A. Public Support						
Caler	ndar year (or fiscal year beginning in) 🕨	(a) 2014	(b) 2015	(c) 2016	(d) 2017	(e) 2018	(f) Total
1	Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received. (Do not include any "unusual grants.")				56532	156780	213312
2	Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf				0	0	
3	The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge				o	0	
4	Total. Add lines 1 through 3				56532	156780	213312
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)						8000
6	Public support. Subtract line 5 from line 4						205312
	ion B. Total Support		<u> </u>				203312
	ndar year (or fiscal year beginning in)	(a) 2014	(b) 2015	(c) 2016	(d) 2017	(e) 2018	(f) Total
7	Amounts from line 4				56532	156780	213312
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						213312
12	Gross receipts from related activities, etc.	*	•		[12	0
13	First five years. If the Form 990 is for the organization, check this box and stop her	<u>e</u>	<u> </u>		, or fifth tax ye		
<u>Secti</u>	on C. Computation of Public Suppor						
14	Public support percentage for 2018 (line 6		-		-	14	<u>%</u>
15 16a	Public support percentage from 2017 Sch 331/3% support test—2018. If the organization and	zation did not	check the box	c on line 13, ar	nd line 14 is 33		
b	box and stop here . The organization qual 331/3% support test—2017. If the organization this box and stop here . The organization	zation did not	check a box o	n line 13 or 16	a, and line 15 i	s 33 ¹ /3% or mo	re, check
17a	10%-facts-and-circumstances test—20 10% or more, and if the organization me Part VI how the organization meets the "if	ets the "facts	-and-circumsta	ances" test, ch	eck this box a	nd stop here.	Explain in

10%-facts-and-circumstances test-2017. 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

Private foundation. If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, 16b, 17a, or 17b, check this box and see

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SCHEDULE 0 (Form 990 or 990-EZ)

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.

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Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service Name of the organization

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Open to Public Inspection Employer identification number

Alliance of Sustainable Farms	811610660
Other Expenses.	
Bank charges \$178	
Equipment rental \$18,741	
Facility rentals \$5,214	
Fines & penalties \$5	
Misc. expense \$489	
Office expense \$874	
Lodging & meals \$1,045	
Mentor-mentee stipends \$28,500	
Refreshments \$1,978	
Farm supplies \$1,488	
Training supplies \$2,588	
Other supplies \$332	
Travel \$8,706	
Truck rental \$17,854	
Total Other: \$87,992	
Receivables: Univ. of Georgia-SARE project- \$9006 , NRCS-USDA: \$4390, NRCS: \$2251	
Change in current liabilities. Payroll taxes payable. \$1634	
Received a check for \$8000 from Transunion Pipe line to be used for general expenses	
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