

Form **990-PF**

Department of the Treasury
 Internal Revenue Service

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OMB No 1545-0047

2019

Open to Public Inspection

For calendar year 2019 or tax year beginning , and ending

Name of foundation

A Employer identification number

The High Stakes Foundation

20-5815274

Number and street (or P.O. box number if mail is not delivered to street address)

Room/suite

129 W. Alder

B Telephone number

406-726-2030

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

Missoula, MT 59802

C If exemption application is pending, check here ☐

G Check all that apply:

☐ Initial return

☐ Initial return of a former public charity

☐ Final return

☐ Amended return

☐ Address change

☐ Name change

D 1 Foreign organizations, check here ☐

2. Foreign organizations meeting the 85% test, check here and attach computation ☐

H Check type of organization:

☒ Section 501(c)(3) exempt private foundation

E If private foundation status was terminated under section 507(b)(1)(A), check here ☐

F If the foundation is in a 60-month termination under section 507(b)(1)(B), check here ☐

☐ Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust ☐ Other taxable private foundation

I Fair market value of all assets at end of year

J Accounting method: ☒ Cash ☐ Accrual

(from Part II, col. (c), line 16)

☐ Other (specify)

\$ **1,757,048.** (Part I, column (d), must be on cash basis.)

Part I Analysis of Revenue and Expenses (The total of amounts in columns (b), (c), and (d) may not necessarily equal the amounts in column (a).)		(a) Revenue and expenses per books	(b) Net investment income	(c) Adjusted net income	(d) Disbursements for charitable purposes (cash basis only)
1	Contributions, gifts, grants, etc., received	1,000,000.		N/A	
2	Check ☐ if the foundation is not required to attach Sch B				
3	Interest on savings and temporary cash investments				
4	Dividends and interest from securities	26,648.	26,648.		Statement 1
5a	Gross rents				
b	Net rental income or (loss)				
6a	Net gain or (loss) from sale of assets not on line 10	71,227.			
b	Gross sales price for all assets on line 6a	549,573.			
7	Capital gain net income (from Part IV, line 2)		71,227.		
8	Net short-term capital gain				
9	Income modifications				
10a	Gross sales less returns and allowances				
b	Less: Cost of goods sold				
c	Gross profit or (loss)				
11	Other income	39.	39.		Statement 2
12	Total. Add lines 1 through 11	1,097,914.	97,914.		
13	Compensation of officers, directors, trustees, etc	0.	0.		0.
14	Other employee salaries and wages				
15	Pension plans, employee benefits				
16a	Legal fees				
b	Accounting fees Stmt 3	5,000.	0.		5,000.
c	Other professional fees Stmt 4	126,626.	12,626.		114,000.
17	Interest				
18	Taxes Stmt 5	1,740.	0.		0.
19	Depreciation and depletion				
20	Occupancy				
21	Travel, conferences, and meetings	5,605.	0.		5,605.
22	Printing and publications				
23	Other expenses Stmt 6	300.	0.		438.
24	Total operating and administrative expenses. Add lines 13 through 23	139,271.	12,626.		125,043.
25	Contributions, gifts, grants paid	922,409.			922,409.
26	Total expenses and disbursements. Add lines 24 and 25	1,061,680.	12,626.		1,047,452.
27	Subtract line 26 from line 12:				
a	Excess of revenue over expenses and disbursements	36,234.			
b	Net investment income (if negative, enter -0-)		85,288.		
c	Adjusted net income (if negative, enter -0-)			N/A	

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Part II Balance Sheets Attached schedules and amounts in the description column should be for end-of-year amounts only

		Beginning of year	End of year	
		(a) Book Value	(b) Book Value	(c) Fair Market Value
Assets	1 Cash - non-interest-bearing			
	2 Savings and temporary cash investments	374,514.	1,086,140.	1,086,140.
	3 Accounts receivable ▶			
	Less: allowance for doubtful accounts ▶			
	4 Pledges receivable ▶			
	Less: allowance for doubtful accounts ▶			
	5 Grants receivable			
	6 Receivables due from officers, directors, trustees, and other disqualified persons			
	7 Other notes and loans receivable ▶			
	Less: allowance for doubtful accounts ▶			
	8 Inventories for sale or use			
	9 Prepaid expenses and deferred charges			
	10a Investments - U.S. and state government obligations			
	b Investments - corporate stock Stmt 7	369,118.	398,510.	398,510.
	c Investments - corporate bonds Stmt 8	878,422.	245,334.	245,510.
	11 Investments - land, buildings, and equipment, basis ▶			
Less: accumulated depreciation ▶				
12 Investments - mortgage loans				
13 Investments - other Stmt 9	18,171.	10,825.	10,825.	
14 Land, buildings, and equipment, basis ▶				
Less: accumulated depreciation ▶				
15 Other assets (describe ▶)	13,385.	16,063.	16,063.	
16 Total assets (to be completed by all filers - see the instructions. Also, see page 1, item I)	1,653,610.	1,756,872.	1,757,048.	
Liabilities	17 Accounts payable and accrued expenses	150.	12.	
	18 Grants payable			
	19 Deferred revenue			
	20 Loans from officers, directors, trustees, and other disqualified persons			
	21 Mortgages and other notes payable			
	22 Other liabilities (describe ▶)			
	23 Total liabilities (add lines 17 through 22)	150.	12.	
Net Assets or Fund Balances	Foundations that follow FASB ASC 958, check here ▶ ☐			
	24 Net assets without donor restrictions			
	25 Net assets with donor restrictions			
	Foundations that do not follow FASB ASC 958, check here ▶ ☒			
	26 Capital stock, trust principal, or current funds	0.	0.	
	27 Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, bldg., and equipment fund	0.	0.	
	28 Retained earnings, accumulated income, endowment, or other funds	1,653,460.	1,756,860.	
	29 Total net assets or fund balances	1,653,460.	1,756,860.	
30 Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances	1,653,610.	1,756,872.		

Part III Analysis of Changes in Net Assets or Fund Balances

1 Total net assets or fund balances at beginning of year - Part II, column (a), line 29 (must agree with end-of-year figure reported on prior year's return)	1	1,653,460.
2 Enter amount from Part I, line 27a	2	36,234.
3 Other increases not included in line 2 (itemize) ▶ <u>Unrealized Gain</u>	3	67,166.
4 Add lines 1, 2, and 3	4	1,756,860.
5 Decreases not included in line 2 (itemize) ▶	5	0.
6 Total net assets or fund balances at end of year (line 4 minus line 5) - Part II, column (b), line 29	6	1,756,860.

Part IV Capital Gains and Losses for Tax on Investment Income

(a) List and describe the kind(s) of property sold (for example, real estate, 2-story brick warehouse; or common stock, 200 shs. MLC Co.)	(b) How acquired P - Purchase D - Donation	(c) Date acquired (mo., day, yr.)	(d) Date sold (mo., day, yr.)
1a Publicly Traded Securities	P		
b			
c			
d			
e			

(e) Gross sales price	(f) Depreciation allowed (or allowable)	(g) Cost or other basis plus expense of sale	(h) Gain or (loss) ((e) plus (f) minus (g))
a 549,573.		478,346.	71,227.
b			
c			
d			
e			

Complete only for assets showing gain in column (h) and owned by the foundation on 12/31/69.			(i) Gains (Col. (h) gain minus col. (k), but not less than -0-) or Losses (from col. (h))
(i) FMV as of 12/31/69	(j) Adjusted basis as of 12/31/69	(k) Excess of col. (i) over col. (j), if any	
a			71,227.
b			
c			
d			
e			

2 Capital gain net income or (net capital loss)	{ If gain, also enter in Part I, line 7 If (loss), enter -0- in Part I, line 7 }	2	71,227.
3 Net short-term capital gain or (loss) as defined in sections 1222(5) and (6): If gain, also enter in Part I, line 8, column (c). If (loss), enter -0- in Part I, line 8	{ }	3	N/A

Part V Qualification Under Section 4940(e) for Reduced Tax on Net Investment Income

(For optional use by domestic private foundations subject to the section 4940(a) tax on net investment income.)

If section 4940(d)(2) applies, leave this part blank.

Was the foundation liable for the section 4942 tax on the distributable amount of any year in the base period?

☐ Yes ☒ No

If "Yes," the foundation doesn't qualify under section 4940(e). Do not complete this part.

1 Enter the appropriate amount in each column for each year; see the instructions before making any entries

(a) Base period years Calendar year (or tax year beginning in)	(b) Adjusted qualifying distributions	(c) Net value of noncharitable-use assets	(d) Distribution ratio (col. (b) divided by col. (c))
2018	678,634.	1,436,278.	.472495
2017	994,670.	1,532,812.	.648918
2016	459,447.	1,790,936.	.256540
2015	859,643.	2,657,329.	.323499
2014	1,123,176.	3,429,355.	.327518

2 Total of line 1, column (d)	2	2.028970
3 Average distribution ratio for the 5-year base period - divide the total on line 2 by 5.0, or by the number of years the foundation has been in existence if less than 5 years	3	.405794
4 Enter the net value of noncharitable-use assets for 2019 from Part X, line 5	4	1,360,237.
5 Multiply line 4 by line 3	5	551,976.
6 Enter 1% of net investment income (1% of Part I, line 27b)	6	853.
7 Add lines 5 and 6	7	552,829.
8 Enter qualifying distributions from Part XII, line 4	8	1,062,452.

If line 8 is equal to or greater than line 7, check the box in Part VI, line 1b, and complete that part using a 1% tax rate.
See the Part VI instructions.

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Part VI Excise Tax Based on Investment Income (Section 4940(a), 4940(b), 4940(e), or 4948 - see instructions)

- 1a Exempt operating foundations described in section 4940(d)(2), check here ☐ and enter "N/A" on line 1.
Date of ruling or determination letter: _____ (attach copy of letter if necessary-see instructions)
- b Domestic foundations that meet the section 4940(e) requirements in Part V, check here ☒ and enter 1% of Part I, line 27b
- c All other domestic foundations enter 2% of line 27b. Exempt foreign organizations, enter 4% of Part I, line 12, col. (b)
- 2 Tax under section 511 (domestic section 4947(a)(1) trusts and taxable foundations only; others, enter -0-)
- 3 Add lines 1 and 2
- 4 Subtitle A (income) tax (domestic section 4947(a)(1) trusts and taxable foundations only; others, enter -0-)
- 5 Tax based on investment income. Subtract line 4 from line 3. If zero or less, enter -0-

6 Credits/Payments:

- a 2019 estimated tax payments and 2018 overpayment credited to 2019
- b Exempt foreign organizations - tax withheld at source
- c Tax paid with application for extension of time to file (Form 8868)
- d Backup withholding erroneously withheld

6a	1,240.
6b	0.
6c	600.
6d	0.

- 7 Total credits and payments. Add lines 6a through 6d
- 8 Enter any penalty for underpayment of estimated tax. Check here ☐ if Form 2220 is attached
- 9 Tax due. If the total of lines 5 and 8 is more than line 7, enter amount owed
- 10 Overpayment. If line 7 is more than the total of lines 5 and 8, enter the amount overpaid
- 11 Enter the amount of line 10 to be: Credited to 2020 estimated tax

986. Refunded

1	853.
2	0.
3	853.
4	0.
5	853.
6a	1,240.
6b	0.
6c	600.
6d	0.
7	1,840.
8	1.
9	
10	986.
11	0.

Part VII A Statements Regarding Activities

- 1a During the tax year, did the foundation attempt to influence any national, state, or local legislation or did it participate or intervene in any political campaign?
- b Did it spend more than \$100 during the year (either directly or indirectly) for political purposes? See the instructions for the definition. If the answer is "Yes" to 1a or 1b, attach a detailed description of the activities and copies of any materials published or distributed by the foundation in connection with the activities.
- c Did the foundation file Form 1120-POL for this year?
- d Enter the amount (if any) of tax on political expenditures (section 4955) imposed during the year:
(1) On the foundation. \$ 0. (2) On foundation managers. \$ 0.
- e Enter the reimbursement (if any) paid by the foundation during the year for political expenditure tax imposed on foundation managers. \$ 0.

- 2 Has the foundation engaged in any activities that have not previously been reported to the IRS?
If "Yes," attach a detailed description of the activities.
- 3 Has the foundation made any changes, not previously reported to the IRS, in its governing instrument, articles of incorporation, or bylaws, or other similar instruments? If "Yes," attach a conformed copy of the changes
- 4a Did the foundation have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year?
- b If "Yes," has it filed a tax return on Form 990-T for this year?
- 5 Was there a liquidation, termination, dissolution, or substantial contraction during the year?
If "Yes," attach the statement required by General Instruction T
- 6 Are the requirements of section 508(e) (relating to sections 4941 through 4945) satisfied either:
• By language in the governing instrument, or
• By state legislation that effectively amends the governing instrument so that no mandatory directions that conflict with the state law remain in the governing instrument?
- 7 Did the foundation have at least \$5,000 in assets at any time during the year? If "Yes," complete Part II, col. (c), and Part XV

- 8a Enter the states to which the foundation reports or with which it is registered. See instructions.

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- b If the answer is "Yes" to line 7, has the foundation furnished a copy of Form 990-PF to the Attorney General (or designate) of each state as required by General Instruction G? If "No," attach explanation
- 9 Is the foundation claiming status as a private operating foundation within the meaning of section 4942(j)(3) or 4942(j)(5) for calendar year 2019 or the tax year beginning in 2019? See the instructions for Part XIV. If "Yes," complete Part XIV
- 10 Did any persons become substantial contributors during the tax year? If "Yes," attach a schedule listing their names and addresses

	Yes	No
1a		X
1b		X
1c		X
2		X
3		X
4a		X
4b		
5		X
6	X	
7	X	
8b	X	
9		X
10		X

N/A

Part VII-A Statements Regarding Activities (continued)

- 11 At any time during the year, did the foundation, directly or indirectly, own a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? If "Yes," attach schedule. See instructions
- 12 Did the foundation make a distribution to a donor advised fund over which the foundation or a disqualified person had advisory privileges? If "Yes," attach statement. See instructions
- 13 Did the foundation comply with the public inspection requirements for its annual returns and exemption application?

	Yes	No
11		X
12		X
13	X	

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- 14 The books are in care of **Dawn McGee/Megan Robson** Telephone no. **406-726-2030**
 Located at **129 W. Alder, Missoula, MT** ZIP+4 **59802**

- 15 Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts filing Form 990-PF in lieu of Form 1041 - check here and enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the year

15 N/A

- 16 At any time during calendar year 2019, did the foundation have an interest in or a signature or other authority over a bank, securities, or other financial account in a foreign country?

	Yes	No
16		X

See the instructions for exceptions and filing requirements for FinCEN Form 114. If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country

Part VII-B Statements Regarding Activities for Which Form 4720 May Be Required

File Form 4720 if any item is checked in the "Yes" column, unless an exception applies.

- 1a During the year, did the foundation (either directly or indirectly):

- (1) Engage in the sale or exchange, or leasing of property with a disqualified person?
- (2) Borrow money from, lend money to, or otherwise extend credit to (or accept it from) a disqualified person?
- (3) Furnish goods, services, or facilities to (or accept them from) a disqualified person?
- (4) Pay compensation to, or pay or reimburse the expenses of, a disqualified person?
- (5) Transfer any income or assets to a disqualified person (or make any of either available for the benefit or use of a disqualified person)?
- (6) Agree to pay money or property to a government official? (Exception. Check "No" if the foundation agreed to make a grant to or to employ the official for a period after termination of government service, if terminating within 90 days)

☐ Yes ☒ No☐ Yes ☒ No☐ Yes ☒ No☒ Yes ☐ No☐ Yes ☒ No☐ Yes ☒ No

- b If any answer is "Yes" to 1a(1)-(6), did any of the acts fail to qualify under the exceptions described in Regulations section 53.4941(d)-3 or in a current notice regarding disaster assistance? See instructions

Organizations relying on a current notice regarding disaster assistance, check here

1b

- c Did the foundation engage in a prior year in any of the acts described in 1a, other than excepted acts, that were not corrected before the first day of the tax year beginning in 2019?

1c

- 2 Taxes on failure to distribute income (section 4942) (does not apply for years the foundation was a private operating foundation defined in section 4942(j)(3) or 4942(j)(5)):

- a At the end of tax year 2019, did the foundation have any undistributed income (Part XIII, lines 6d and 6e) for tax year(s) beginning before 2019?

☐ Yes ☒ No

If "Yes," list the years

- b Are there any years listed in 2a for which the foundation is not applying the provisions of section 4942(a)(2) (relating to incorrect valuation of assets) to the year's undistributed income? (If applying section 4942(a)(2) to all years listed, answer "No" and attach statement - see instructions.)

N/A

- c If the provisions of section 4942(a)(2) are being applied to any of the years listed in 2a, list the years here.

2b

- 3a Did the foundation hold more than a 2% direct or indirect interest in any business enterprise at any time during the year?

☐ Yes ☒ No

- b If "Yes," did it have excess business holdings in 2019 as a result of (1) any purchase by the foundation or disqualified persons after May 26, 1969, (2) the lapse of the 5-year period (or longer period approved by the Commissioner under section 4943(c)(7)) to dispose of holdings acquired by gift or bequest; or (3) the lapse of the 10-, 15-, or 20-year first phase holding period? (Use Form 4720, Schedule C, to determine if the foundation had excess business holdings in 2019.)

N/A

- 4a Did the foundation invest during the year any amount in a manner that would jeopardize its charitable purposes?

4a

- b Did the foundation make any investment in a prior year (but after December 31, 1969) that could jeopardize its charitable purpose that had not been removed from jeopardy before the first day of the tax year beginning in 2019?

4b

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

5a During the year, did the foundation pay or incur any amount to:

(1) Carry on propaganda, or otherwise attempt to influence legislation (section 4945(e))?

☐ Yes ☒ No

(2) Influence the outcome of any specific public election (see section 4955); or to carry on, directly or indirectly, any voter registration drive?

☐ Yes ☒ No

(3) Provide a grant to an individual for travel, study, or other similar purposes?

☐ Yes ☒ No

(4) Provide a grant to an organization other than a charitable, etc., organization described in section 4945(d)(4)(A)? See instructions

☐ Yes ☒ No

(5) Provide for any purpose other than religious, charitable, scientific, literary, or educational purposes, or for the prevention of cruelty to children or animals?

☐ Yes ☒ No

b If any answer is "Yes" to 5a(1)-(5), did any of the transactions fail to qualify under the exceptions described in Regulations section 53.4945 or in a current notice regarding disaster assistance? See instructions
Organizations relying on a current notice regarding disaster assistance, check here

N/A
▶ ☐

c If the answer is "Yes" to question 5a(4), does the foundation claim exemption from the tax because it maintained expenditure responsibility for the grant?

N/A

☐ Yes ☐ No

If "Yes," attach the statement required by Regulations section 53.4945-5(d).

6a Did the foundation, during the year, receive any funds, directly or indirectly, to pay premiums on a personal benefit contract?

☐ Yes ☒ No

b Did the foundation, during the year, pay premiums, directly or indirectly, on a personal benefit contract?
If "Yes" to 6b, file Form 8870.

☐ Yes ☒ No

7a At any time during the tax year, was the foundation a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction?

☐ Yes ☒ No

b If "Yes," did the foundation receive any proceeds or have any net income attributable to the transaction?

N/A

8 Is the foundation subject to the section 4960 tax on payment(s) of more than \$1,000,000 in remuneration or excess parachute payment(s) during the year?

☐ Yes ☒ No

Part VIII Information About Officers, Directors, Trustees, Foundation Managers, Highly Paid Employees, and Contractors

1 List all officers, directors, trustees, and foundation managers and their compensation.

(a) Name and address	(b) Title, and average hours per week devoted to position	(c) Compensation (If not paid, enter -0-)	(d) Contributions to employee benefit plans and deferred compensation	(e) Expense account, other allowances
See Statement 11		0.	0.	0.

2 Compensation of five highest-paid employees (other than those included on line 1). If none, enter "NONE."

(a) Name and address of each employee paid more than \$50,000	(b) Title, and average hours per week devoted to position	(c) Compensation	(d) Contributions to employee benefit plans and deferred compensation	(e) Expense account, other allowances
NONE				

Total number of other employees paid over \$50,000

0

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

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

Expenses

Amount**Total. Add lines 1 through 3**

15,000.

Part X Minimum Investment Return (All domestic foundations must complete this part. Foreign foundations, see instructions.)

1	Fair market value of assets not used (or held for use) directly in carrying out charitable, etc., purposes:	
a	Average monthly fair market value of securities	1,003,722.
b	Average of monthly cash balances	377,229.
c	Fair market value of all other assets	
d	Total (add lines 1a, b, and c)	1,380,951.
e	Reduction claimed for blockage or other factors reported on lines 1a and 1c (attach detailed explanation)	0.
2	Acquisition indebtedness applicable to line 1 assets	0.
3	Subtract line 2 from line 1d	1,380,951.
4	Cash deemed held for charitable activities. Enter 1 1/2% of line 3 (for greater amount, see instructions)	20,714.
5	Net value of noncharitable-use assets. Subtract line 4 from line 3. Enter here and on Part V, line 4	1,360,237.
6	Minimum investment return. Enter 5% of line 5	68,012.

Part XI Distributable Amount (see instructions) (Section 4942(j)(3) and (j)(5) private operating foundations and certain foreign organizations, check here ☐ and do not complete this part.)

1	Minimum investment return from Part X, line 6	68,012.
2a	Tax on investment income for 2019 from Part VI, line 5	853.
b	Income tax for 2019. (This does not include the tax from Part VI.)	
c	Add lines 2a and 2b	853.
3	Distributable amount before adjustments. Subtract line 2c from line 1	67,159.
4	Recoveries of amounts treated as qualifying distributions	12,321.
5	Add lines 3 and 4	79,480.
6	Deduction from distributable amount (see instructions)	0.
7	Distributable amount as adjusted. Subtract line 6 from line 5. Enter here and on Part XIII, line 1	79,480.

Part XII Qualifying Distributions (see instructions)

1	Amounts paid (including administrative expenses) to accomplish charitable, etc., purposes:	
a	Expenses, contributions, gifts, etc. - total from Part I, column (d), line 26	1,047,452.
b	Program-related investments - total from Part IX-B	15,000.
2	Amounts paid to acquire assets used (or held for use) directly in carrying out charitable, etc., purposes	
3	Amounts set aside for specific charitable projects that satisfy the:	
a	Suitability test (prior IRS approval required)	
b	Cash distribution test (attach the required schedule)	
4	Qualifying distributions. Add lines 1a through 3b. Enter here and on Part V, line 8; and Part XIII, line 4	1,062,452.
5	Foundations that qualify under section 4940(e) for the reduced rate of tax on net investment income. Enter 1% of Part I, line 27b	853.
6	Adjusted qualifying distributions. Subtract line 5 from line 4	1,061,599.

Note: The amount on line 6 will be used in Part V, column (b), in subsequent years when calculating whether the foundation qualifies for the section 4940(e) reduction of tax in those years.

Part XIII Undistributed Income (see instructions)

	(a) Corpus	(b) Years prior to 2018	(c) 2018	(d) 2019
1 Distributable amount for 2019 from Part XI, line 7				79,480.
2 Undistributed income, if any, as of the end of 2019				
a Enter amount for 2018 only			0.	
b Total for prior years:		0.		
3 Excess distributions carryover, if any, to 2019:				
a From 2014	957,116.			
b From 2015	730,369.			
c From 2016	361,706.			
d From 2017	906,226.			
e From 2018	609,294.			
f Total of lines 3a through e	3,564,711.			
4 Qualifying distributions for 2019 from Part XII, line 4: ► \$ 1,062,452.				
a Applied to 2018, but not more than line 2a			0.	
b Applied to undistributed income of prior years (Election required - see instructions)		0.		
c Treated as distributions out of corpus (Election required - see instructions)	0.			
d Applied to 2019 distributable amount				79,480.
e Remaining amount distributed out of corpus	982,972.			
5 Excess distributions carryover applied to 2019 (If an amount appears in column (d), the same amount must be shown in column (a).)	0.			0.
6 Enter the net total of each column as indicated below.	4,547,683.			
a Corpus: Add lines 3f, 4c, and 4e. Subtract line 5				
b Prior years' undistributed income. Subtract line 4b from line 2b		0.		
c Enter the amount of prior years' undistributed income for which a notice of deficiency has been issued, or on which the section 4942(a) tax has been previously assessed		0.		
d Subtract line 6c from line 6b. Taxable amount - see instructions		0.		
e Undistributed income for 2018. Subtract line 4a from line 2a. Taxable amount - see instr.			0.	
f Undistributed income for 2019. Subtract lines 4d and 5 from line 1. This amount must be distributed in 2020				0.
7 Amounts treated as distributions out of corpus to satisfy requirements imposed by section 170(b)(1)(F) or 4942(g)(3) (Election may be required - see instructions)	0.			
8 Excess distributions carryover from 2014 not applied on line 5 or line 7	957,116.			
9 Excess distributions carryover to 2020. Subtract lines 7 and 8 from line 6a	3,590,567.			
10 Analysis of line 9:				
a Excess from 2015	730,369.			
b Excess from 2016	361,706.			
c Excess from 2017	906,226.			
d Excess from 2018	609,294.			
e Excess from 2019	982,972.			

Part XV Supplementary Information (continued)**3 Grants and Contributions Paid During the Year or Approved for Future Payment**

Recipient Name and address (home or business)	If recipient is an individual, show any relationship to any foundation manager or substantial contributor	Foundation status of recipient	Purpose of grant or contribution	Amount
a Paid during the year				
AERO 302 N Last Chance Gulch #309 Helena, MT 59601	None	PC	General funding.	10,000.
AJAY Montana 33 S Last Chance Gulch Ste 1A Helena, MT 59601	None	PC	General funding.	10,000.
Big Sky Film Institute 113 West Front Street Ste 105 Missoula, MT 59802	None	PC	General funding.	5,000.
Center for Large Landscape Conservation PO Box 1587 Bozeman, MT 59771	None	PC	General funding.	2,500.
Center Pole PO Box 71 Garryowen, MT 59031	None	PC	General funding.	15,000.
Total	See continuation sheet(s)			922,409.
b Approved for future payment				
None				
Total				0.

Part XV Supplementary Information**3 Grants and Contributions Paid During the Year (Continuation)**

Recipient Name and address (home or business)	If recipient is an individual, show any relationship to any foundation manager or substantial contributor	Foundation status of recipient	Purpose of grant or contribution	Amount
EmpowerMT 2300 Regent Street, Suite 101 Missoula, MT 59801	None	PC	General funding.	25,000.
Environmental Studies Program Jeannette Rankin Hall 106A Missoula, MT 59812	None	PC	General funding.	10,000.
Fort Belknap CEDC PO Box 1177 Harlem, MT 59526	None	PC	General funding.	20,000.
Forward Montana Foundation PO Box 2817 Missoula, MT 59806	None	PC	General funding.	20,000.
Fractured Atlas FBO Threshold PO Box 9394 Missoula, MT 59807	None	PC	General funding.	20,000.
Friendship House of Christian Service 3123 8th Ave S Billings, MT 59101	None	PC	General funding.	25,000.
Gallatin Development Corporation 2015 Charlotte St Bozeman, MT 59718	None	PC	General funding.	10,000.
Garden City Harvest 1657 River Rd Missoula, MT 59802	None	PC	General funding.	15,000.
Glacier Two Medicine Alliance PO Box 181 East Glacier Park, MT 59434	None	PC	General funding.	8,000.
Hatch PO Box 6340 Bozeman, MT 59771	None	PC	General funding.	10,000.
Total from continuation sheets				879,909.

Part XV Supplementary Information**3 Grants and Contributions Paid During the Year (Continuation)**

Recipient Name and address (home or business)	If recipient is an individual, show any relationship to any foundation manager or substantial contributor	Foundation status of recipient	Purpose of grant or contribution	Amount
HomeResource 1515 Wyoming St Missoula, MT 59801	None	PC	General funding.	84,460.
Hopa Mountain 234 E Babcock St Ste E Bozeman, MT 59715	None	PC	General funding.	20,000.
Institute for Nonprofit News 714 W Olympic Blvd # 931 Los Angeles, CA 90015	None	PC	General funding.	30,000.
Jeanette Rankin Peace Center 519 S Higgins Ave Missoula, MT 59801	None	PC	General funding.	1,000.
MAPS Media Institute 515 Madison St Hamilton, MT 59840	None	PC	General funding.	25,000.
Missoula Community Foundation 508 E Broadway St Missoula, MT 59802	None	PC	General funding.	64,999.
Missoula Interfaith Collaborative 2205 34th St Missoula, MT 59801	None	PC	General funding.	25,000.
Missoula Transportation and Restoration PO Box 1121 Missoula, MT 59806	None	PC	General funding.	4,150.
Missoula Writing Collaborative PO Box 9237 Missoula, MT 59806	None	PC	General funding.	17,500.
Montana Budget and Policy 15 West 6th Avenue Ste 3E Helena, MT 59601	None	PC	General funding.	50,000.
Total from continuation sheets				

Part XV Supplementary Information**3 Grants and Contributions Paid During the Year (Continuation)**

Recipient Name and address (home or business)	If recipient is an individual, show any relationship to any foundation manager or substantial contributor	Foundation status of recipient	Purpose of grant or contribution	Amount
Montana Conservation Voters PO Box 63 Billings, MT 59103	None	PC	General funding.	3,000.
Montana Human Rights Network 302 N Last Chance Gulch # 316 Helena, MT 59601	None	PC	General funding.	45,000.
Montana Land Reliance PO Box 355 Helena, MT 59624-0355	None	PC	General funding.	2,500.
Montana Racial Equity Project PO Box 11885 Bozeman, MT 59719	None	PC	General funding.	20,000.
Montana World Affairs Council 111 N Higgins Ave Ste 405 Missoula, MT 59802	None	PC	General funding.	6,500.
MontPIRF 141 Corbin Hall U of M Missoula, MT 59812	None	PC	General funding.	15,000.
National Wildlife Federation 240 N Higgins Ave Missoula, MT 59802	None	PC	General funding.	20,000.
NCAT PO Box 3838 Butte, MT 59702	None	PC	General funding.	5,000.
Northern Plains Resource Council 220 S 27th St Ste A Billings, MT 59101	None	PC	General funding.	25,000.
O'Connor Center 600 University Ave Missoula, MT 59801	None	PC	General funding.	6,000.
Total from continuation sheets				

Part XV Supplementary Information**3 Grants and Contributions Paid During the Year (Continuation)**

Recipient Name and address (home or business)	If recipient is an individual, show any relationship to any foundation manager or substantial contributor	Foundation status of recipient	Purpose of grant or contribution	Amount
Organic Seed Alliance 117 W Broadway Ave Missoula, MT 59801	None	PC	General funding.	6,000.
Paradise Elementary School Preservation PO Box 162 Paradise, MT 59856	None	PC	General funding.	15,000.
Plenty Doors CDC PO Box 1061 Crow Agency, MT 59022	None	PC	General funding.	8,300.
Prickly Pear Land Trust PO Box 892 Helena, MT 59624	None	PC	General funding.	5,000.
Red Lodge Community Foundation PO Box 1871 Red Lodge, MT 59068	None	PC	General funding.	20,000.
Sage Gardeners 1112 S Willson Ave Bozeman, MT 59715	None	PC	General funding.	6,000.
Sanders County CDC 2504 Tradewinds Way, Ste C1 Thompson Falls, MT 59873	None	PC	General funding.	6,500.
SEE fbo Soft Landing Missoula 23532 Calabasas Road Ste A Calabasas, CA 91302	None	PC	General funding.	20,000.
Seeley Lake Community Foundation PO Box 25 Seeley Lake, MT 59868	None	PC	General funding.	10,000.
Sierra Club Foundation 110 E Broadway St #208 Missoula, MT 59802	None	PC	General funding.	5,000.
Total from continuation sheets				

Part XV Supplementary Information**3 Grants and Contributions Paid During the Year (Continuation)**

Recipient Name and address (home or business)	If recipient is an individual, show any relationship to any foundation manager or substantial contributor	Foundation status of recipient	Purpose of grant or contribution	Amount
The Nature Conservancy PO Box 8316 Missoula, MT 59807	None	PC	General funding.	30,000.
The Vital Ground Foundation 20 Fort Missoula Rd Missoula, MT 59804	None	PC	General funding.	10,000.
The Windward Fund 1201 Connecticut Ave NW Ste 300 Washington, DC 20036	None	PC	General funding.	25,000.
Trust Montana PO Box 8791 Missoula, MT 59807	None	PC	General funding.	20,000.
Western Landowners Alliance PO Box 6278 Santa Fe, NM 87502	None	PC	General funding.	5,000.
Whitefish Legacy Partners 525 Railway St Ste 206 Whitefish, MT 59937	None	PC	General funding.	25,000.
WildEarth Guardians 516 Alto St Santa Fe, NM 87501	None	PC	General funding.	5,000.
Yaak Valley Forest Council 11896 Yaak River Road Troy, MT 59935	None	PC	General funding.	10,000.
Youth Homes 550 N California St Missoula, MT 59802	None	PC	General funding.	15,000.
Total from continuation sheets				

Schedule B(Form 990, 990-EZ,
or 990-PF)Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service**Schedule of Contributors**

- ▶ Attach to Form 990, Form 990-EZ, or Form 990-PF.
▶ Go to www.irs.gov/Form990 for the latest information.

OMB No 1545-0047

2019

Name of the organization

Employer identification number

The High Stakes Foundation**20-5815274**

Organization type (check one)

Filers of:

Section:

Form 990 or 990-EZ

☐ 501(c)() (enter number) organization☐ 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust **not** treated as a private foundation☐ 527 political organization

Form 990-PF

☒ 501(c)(3) exempt private foundation☐ 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust treated as a private foundation☐ 501(c)(3) taxable private foundationCheck if your organization is covered by the **General Rule** or a **Special Rule**.**Note:** Only a section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) organization can check boxes for both the General Rule and a Special Rule. See instructions.**General Rule**

- ☒ For an organization filing Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF that received, during the year, contributions totaling \$5,000 or more (in money or property) from any one contributor. Complete Parts I and II. See instructions for determining a contributor's total contributions.

Special Rules

- ☐ For an organization described in section 501(c)(3) filing Form 990 or 990-EZ that met the 33 1/3% support test of the regulations under sections 509(a)(1) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi), that checked Schedule A (Form 990 or 990-EZ), Part II, line 13, 16a, or 16b, and that received from any one contributor, during the year, total contributions of the greater of (1) \$5,000, or (2) 2% of the amount on (i) Form 990, Part VIII, line 1h, or (ii) Form 990-EZ, line 1. Complete Parts I and II.
- ☐ For an organization described in section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) filing Form 990 or 990-EZ that received from any one contributor, during the year, total contributions of more than \$1,000 *exclusively* for religious, charitable, scientific, literary, or educational purposes, or for the prevention of cruelty to children or animals. Complete Parts I, II, and III.
- ☐ For an organization described in section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) filing Form 990 or 990-EZ that received from any one contributor, during the year, contributions *exclusively* for religious, charitable, etc., purposes, but no such contributions totaled more than \$1,000. If this box is checked, enter here the total contributions that were received during the year for an *exclusively* religious, charitable, etc., purpose. Don't complete any of the parts unless the **General Rule** applies to this organization because it received *nonexclusively* religious, charitable, etc., contributions totaling \$5,000 or more during the year. ▶ \$ _____

Caution: An organization that isn't covered by the General Rule and/or the Special Rules doesn't file Schedule B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF), but it **must** answer "No" on Part IV, line 2, of its Form 990, or check the box on line H of its Form 990-EZ or on its Form 990-PF, Part I, line 2, to certify that it doesn't meet the filing requirements of Schedule B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF).

Name of organization

Employer identification number

The High Stakes Foundation**20-5815274****Part I Contributors** (see instructions). Use duplicate copies of Part I if additional space is needed

(a) No.	(b) Name, address, and ZIP + 4	(c) Total contributions	(d) Type of contribution
1	Mary Stranahan 72730 Heart View Lane Arlee, MT 59821	\$ 1,000,000.	Person ☒ Payroll ☐ Noncash ☐ (Complete Part II for noncash contributions)
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Employer identification number

20-5815274

Part II

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Name of organization	Employer identification number
The High Stakes Foundation	20-5815274

Part III Exclusively religious, charitable, etc., contributions to organizations described in section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) that total more than \$1,000 for the year from any one contributor. Complete columns (a) through (e) and the following line entry. For organizations completing Part III, enter the total of exclusively religious, charitable, etc., contributions of \$1,000 or less for the year (Enter this info once) ▶ \$

Use duplicate copies of Part III if additional space is needed

(a) No. from Part I	(b) Purpose of gift	(c) Use of gift	(d) Description of how gift is held
	(e) Transfer of gift		
	Transferee's name, address, and ZIP + 4		Relationship of transferor to transferee
	(e) Transfer of gift		
	Transferee's name, address, and ZIP + 4		Relationship of transferor to transferee
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	(e) Transfer of gift		
	Transferee's name, address, and ZIP + 4		Relationship of transferor to transferee

Form 990-PF	Dividends and Interest from Securities				Statement 1
Source	Gross Amount	Capital Gains Dividends	(a) Revenue Per Books	(b) Net Investment Income	(c) Adjusted Net Income
Charles Schwab	26,648.	0.	26,648.	26,648.	
To Part I, line 4	26,648.	0.	26,648.	26,648.	

Form 990-PF	Other Income			Statement 2
Description	(a) Revenue Per Books	(b) Net Investment Income	(c) Adjusted Net Income	
Loan interest	39.	39.		
Total to Form 990-PF, Part I, line 11	39.	39.		

Form 990-PF	Accounting Fees			Statement 3
Description	(a) Expenses Per Books	(b) Net Investment Income	(c) Adjusted Net Income	(d) Charitable Purposes
Accounting Fees	5,000.	0.		5,000.
To Form 990-PF, Pg 1, ln 16b	5,000.	0.		5,000.

Form 990-PF	Other Professional Fees			Statement 4
Description	(a) Expenses Per Books	(b) Net Investment Income	(c) Adjusted Net Income	(d) Charitable Purposes
Investment Management Fees	12,626.	12,626.		0.
Management Fees	114,000.	0.		114,000.
To Form 990-PF, Pg 1, ln 16c	126,626.	12,626.		114,000.

Form 990-PF	Taxes			Statement 5
Description	(a) Expenses Per Books	(b) Net Invest- ment Income	(c) Adjusted Net Income	(d) Charitable Purposes
Excise Tax	1,740.	0.		0.
To Form 990-PF, Pg 1, ln 18	1,740.	0.		0.

Form 990-PF	Other Expenses			Statement 6
Description	(a) Expenses Per Books	(b) Net Invest- ment Income	(c) Adjusted Net Income	(d) Charitable Purposes
Miscellaneous	300.	0.		438.
To Form 990-PF, Pg 1, ln 23	300.	0.		438.

Form 990-PF	Corporate Stock		Statement 7
Description	Book Value	Fair Market Value	
Charles Schwab Equities - See statement	398,510.	398,510.	
Total to Form 990-PF, Part II, line 10b	398,510.	398,510.	

Form 990-PF	Corporate Bonds		Statement 8
Description	Book Value	Fair Market Value	
Charles Schwab Fixed Income - See statement	245,334.	245,510.	
Total to Form 990-PF, Part II, line 10c	245,334.	245,510.	

Form 990-PF	Other Investments	Statement 9	
Description	Valuation Method	Book Value	Fair Market Value
Charles Schwab Other Investments -	FMV		
See statement		9,188.	9,188.
Accrued Interest	FMV	1,637.	1,637.
Total to Form 990-PF, Part II, line 13		10,825.	10,825.

Form 990-PF	Other Assets		Statement 10
Description	Beginning of Yr Book Value	End of Year Book Value	Fair Market Value
Western Montana Growers			
Cooperative PRI	13,385.	1,063.	1,063.
RecyclingWorks PRI	0.	15,000.	15,000.
To Form 990-PF, Part II, line 15	13,385.	16,063.	16,063.

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Part VIII - List of Officers, Directors
Trustees and Foundation Managers

Statement 11

Name and Address	Title and Avrg Hrs/Wk	Compen- sation	Employee Ben Plan Expense Contrib Account
Dawn McGee 129 W. Alder Missoula, MT 59802	President/Secretary 1.00	0.	0. 0.
Elizabeth Crook 129 W. Alder Missoula, MT 59802	Director 1.00	0.	0. 0.
Mary Stranahan 129 W. Alder Missoula, MT 59802	Director 1.00	0.	0. 0.
Molly Stranahan 129 W. Alder Missoula, MT 59802	Director 1.00	0.	0. 0.
Joel Solomon 129 W. Alder Missoula, MT 59802	Director 1.00	0.	0. 0.
Totals included on 990-PF, Page 6, Part VIII		0.	0. 0.

Form 990-PF

Grant Application Submission Information
Part XV, Lines 2a through 2d

Statement 12

Name and Address of Person to Whom Applications Should be Submitted

Mary Stranahan
P.O. Box 96
Arlee, MT 59821

Telephone Number

406-726-2030