

Form **990-PF**

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

**Return of Private Foundation**  
or Section 4947(a)(1) Trust Treated as Private Foundation

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**2019**

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For calendar year 2019 or tax year beginning , 2019, and ending , 20

Name of foundation Martha Washington Straus - Harry H. Straus Foundation, Inc. c/o Thomas S. King A Employer identification number 56-0645526

Number and street (or P O box number if mail is not delivered to street address) Room/suite B Telephone number (see instructions)  
10 Skyline Lane

City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code C If exemption application is pending, check here ☐  
Stamford, CT 06903

G Check all that apply: ☐ Initial return ☐ Initial return of a former public charity  
☐ Final return ☐ Amended return  
☐ Address change ☐ Name change

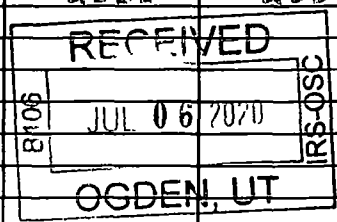
H Check type of organization: ☒ Section 501(c)(3) exempt private foundation 04  
☐ Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust ☐ Other taxable private foundation

I Fair market value of all assets at end of year (from Part II, col. (c), line 16) \$ 11,839,572 J Accounting method: ☒ Cash ☐ Accrual  
☐ Other (specify) \_\_\_\_\_ (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) (see instructions).)

	(a) Revenue and expenses per books	(b) Net investment income	(c) Adjusted net income	(d) Disbursements for charitable purposes (cash basis only)
<b>Revenue</b>				
1 Contributions, gifts, grants, etc., received (attach schedule)				
2 Check <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> if the foundation is not required to attach Sch. B				
3 Interest on savings and temporary cash investments	677	677	677	
4 Dividends and interest from securities	428124	428124	428124	
5a Gross rents				
b Net rental income or (loss)				
6a Net gain or (loss) from sale of assets not on line 10	66411			
b Gross sales price for all assets on line 6a				
7 Capital gain net income (from Part IV, line 2)		66411		
8 Net short-term capital gain			0	
9 Income modifications				
10a Gross sales less returns and allowances				
b Less: Cost of goods sold				
c Gross profit or (loss) (attach schedule)				
11 Other income (attach schedule)				
12 Total. Add lines 1 through 11	495212	495212	428801	
<b>Operating and Administrative Expenses</b>				
13 Compensation of officers, directors, trustees, etc.				
14 Other employee salaries and wages				
15 Pension plans, employee benefits				
16a Legal fees (attach schedule)				
b Accounting fees (attach schedule)	2000	2000	2000	
c Other professional fees (attach schedule)				
17 Interest				
18 Taxes (attach schedule) (see instructions)	7414			
19 Depreciation (attach schedule) and depletion				
20 Occupancy				
21 Travel, conferences, and meetings				
22 Printing and publications				
23 Other expenses (attach schedule)	1484	742	742	
24 Total operating and administrative expenses. Add lines 13 through 23	10898	2742	2742	
25 Contributions, gifts, grants paid	574000			574000
26 Total expenses and disbursements. Add lines 24 and 25	584898	2742	2742	574000
27 Subtract line 26 from line 12:	(89686)			
a Excess of revenue over expenses and disbursements				
b Net investment income (if negative, enter -0-)		492470		
c Adjusted net income (if negative, enter -0-)			426059	

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<b>Part II Balance Sheets</b> Attached schedules and amounts in the description column should be for end-of-year amounts only. (See instructions.)		Beginning of year	End of year	
		(a) Book Value	(b) Book Value	(c) Fair Market Value
<b>Assets</b>	1 Cash—non-interest-bearing	4584	2279	2279
	2 Savings and temporary cash investments	13777	39928	39928
	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 (attach schedule) (see instructions)			
	7 Other notes and loans receivable (attach schedule) ▶			
	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 (attach schedule)			
	b Investments—corporate stock (attach schedule)	934709	827664	11797365
	c Investments—corporate bonds (attach schedule)			
	11 Investments—land, buildings, and equipment: basis ▶			
<b>Liabilities</b>	Less: accumulated depreciation (attach schedule) ▶			
	12 Investments—mortgage loans			
	13 Investments—other (attach schedule)			
	14 Land, buildings, and equipment: basis ▶			
	Less: accumulated depreciation (attach schedule) ▶			
	15 Other assets (describe ▶)			
	16 <b>Total assets</b> (to be completed by all filers—see the instructions. Also, see page 1, item 1)	953070	869871	11839572
	17 Accounts payable and accrued expenses			
	18 Grants payable			
	19 Deferred revenue			
<b>Net Assets or Fund Balances</b>	20 Loans from officers, directors, trustees, and other disqualified persons			
	21 Mortgages and other notes payable (attach schedule)			
	22 Other liabilities (describe ▶)			
	23 <b>Total liabilities</b> (add lines 17 through 22)			
	<b>Foundations that follow FASB ASC 958, check here ▶</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>and complete lines 24, 25, 29, and 30.</b>			
	24 Net assets without donor restrictions	953070	869871	
	25 Net assets with donor restrictions			
	<b>Foundations that do not follow FASB ASC 958, check here ▶</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>and complete lines 26 through 30.</b>			
	26 Capital stock, trust principal, or current funds			
	27 Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, bldg., and equipment fund			
	28 Retained earnings, accumulated income, endowment, or other funds			
	29 <b>Total net assets or fund balances</b> (see instructions)	953070	869871	
	30 <b>Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances</b> (see instructions)	953070	869871	

**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	953070
2 Enter amount from Part I, line 27a	2	(89686)
3 Other increases not included in line 2 (itemize) ▶ <u>stock dividend inadvertently reinvested</u>	3	6487
4 Add lines 1, 2, and 3	4	869871
5 Decreases not included in line 2 (itemize) ▶	5	
6 Total net assets or fund balances at end of year (line 4 minus line 5)—Part II, column (b), line 29	6	869871

**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.)
<b>1a</b> General American Investors L-T Cap Gain Dividend	P	L-T	2019
<b>b</b> Texas Cap Ba CD 2.4 11/15/19	P	5/15/2019	11/15/2019
<b>c</b> 4793.071 UTS Blackrock US Govt.	P	L-T	12/12/2019
<b>d</b> 3353 shares General American Investors	P	L-T	12/12/2019
<b>e</b>			

(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))
<b>a</b> 6974			6974
<b>b</b> 120000		120000	0
<b>c</b> 50753		50009	744
<b>d</b> 122216		63523	58693
<b>e</b>			

Complete only for assets showing gain in column (h) and owned by the foundation on 12/31/69.

(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	(l) Gains (Col (h) gain minus col (k), but not less than -0-) or Losses (from col (h))
<b>a</b>			6974
<b>b</b>			0
<b>c</b>			744
<b>d</b>			58693
<b>e</b>			

<b>2</b> 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 }	<b>2</b>	66411
<b>3</b> 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). See instructions. If (loss), enter -0- in Part I, line 8	<b>3</b>	0

**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	550000	11355490	0.0476
2017	542000	11555365	0.0469
2016	550000	11134675	0.0494
2015	556000	10827592	0.0513
2014	610000	12232782	0.0499

<b>2</b> Total of line 1, column (d)	<b>2</b>	0.2451
<b>3</b> 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	<b>3</b>	0.0490
<b>4</b> Enter the net value of noncharitable-use assets for 2019 from Part X, line 5	<b>4</b>	11770828
<b>5</b> Multiply line 4 by line 3	<b>5</b>	576771
<b>6</b> Enter 1% of net investment income (1% of Part I, line 27b)	<b>6</b>	4925
<b>7</b> Add lines 5 and 6	<b>7</b>	581696
<b>8</b> Enter qualifying distributions from Part XII, line 4 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.	<b>8</b>	574000

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

<b>1a</b>	Exempt operating foundations described in section 4940(d)(2), check here <input type="checkbox"/> and enter "N/A" on line 1. Date of ruling or determination letter: _____ (attach copy of letter if necessary—see instructions)		
<b>b</b>	Domestic foundations that meet the section 4940(e) requirements in Part V, check here <input type="checkbox"/> and enter 1% of Part I, line 27b	<b>1</b>	
<b>c</b>	All other domestic foundations enter 2% of line 27b. Exempt foreign organizations, enter 4% of Part I, line 12, col. (b)		
<b>2</b>	Tax under section 511 (domestic section 4947(a)(1) trusts and taxable foundations only; others, enter -0-)	<b>2</b>	9849
<b>3</b>	Add lines 1 and 2	<b>3</b>	9849
<b>4</b>	Subtitle A (income) tax (domestic section 4947(a)(1) trusts and taxable foundations only; others, enter -0-)	<b>4</b>	
<b>5</b>	<b>Tax based on investment income.</b> Subtract line 4 from line 3. If zero or less, enter -0-	<b>5</b>	9849
<b>6</b>	Credits/Payments:		
<b>a</b>	2019 estimated tax payments and 2018 overpayment credited to 2019	<b>6a</b>	8360
<b>b</b>	Exempt foreign organizations—tax withheld at source	<b>6b</b>	
<b>c</b>	Tax paid with application for extension of time to file (Form 8868)	<b>6c</b>	
<b>d</b>	Backup withholding erroneously withheld	<b>6d</b>	
<b>7</b>	Total credits and payments. Add lines 6a through 6d	<b>7</b>	8360
<b>8</b>	Enter any <b>penalty</b> for underpayment of estimated tax. Check here <input type="checkbox"/> if Form 2220 is attached	<b>8</b>	
<b>9</b>	<b>Tax due.</b> If the total of lines 5 and 8 is more than line 7, enter <b>amount owed</b>	<b>9</b>	1489
<b>10</b>	<b>Overpayment.</b> If line 7 is more than the total of lines 5 and 8, enter the <b>amount overpaid</b>	<b>10</b>	
<b>11</b>	Enter the amount of line 10 to be: <b>Credited to 2020 estimated tax</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Refunded</b> <input type="checkbox"/>	<b>11</b>	

**Part VII-A Statements Regarding Activities**

	Yes	No
<b>1a</b> 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?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>b</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 <b>1a</b> or <b>1b</b> , attach a detailed description of the activities and copies of any materials published or distributed by the foundation in connection with the activities.		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>c</b> Did the foundation file <b>Form 1120-POL</b> for this year?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>d</b> Enter the amount (if any) of tax on political expenditures (section 4955) imposed during the year: (1) On the foundation. <input type="checkbox"/> \$ _____ (2) On foundation managers. <input type="checkbox"/> \$ _____		
<b>e</b> Enter the reimbursement (if any) paid by the foundation during the year for political expenditure tax imposed on foundation managers. <input type="checkbox"/> \$ _____		
<b>2</b> 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.		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>3</b> 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		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>4a</b> Did the foundation have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>b</b> If "Yes," has it filed a tax return on <b>Form 990-T</b> for this year?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>5</b> Was there a liquidation, termination, dissolution, or substantial contraction during the year? If "Yes," attach the statement required by <i>General Instruction T</i> .		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>6</b> 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?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
<b>7</b> 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	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
<b>8a</b> Enter the states to which the foundation reports or with which it is registered. See instructions. <input type="checkbox"/> <u>North Carolina Connecticut</u>		
<b>b</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 <i>General Instruction G</i> ? If "No," attach explanation	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
<b>9</b> 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		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 2
<b>10</b> Did any persons become substantial contributors during the tax year? If "Yes," attach a schedule listing their names and addresses		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

**Part VII-A Statements Regarding Activities (continued)**

	Yes	No
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		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
13 Did the foundation comply with the public inspection requirements for its annual returns and exemption application? Website address ▶	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
14 The books are in care of ▶ <u>Leonore A. Brillant, CPA</u> Telephone no. ▶ <u>212-588-6246</u> Located at ▶ <u>274 Madison Ave NY, NY</u> ZIP+4 ▶ <u>10016</u>		
15 Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts filing Form 990-PF in lieu of Form 1041—check here . . . . . ▶ <input type="checkbox"/> and enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the year . . . . . ▶ <u>15</u>		
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? . . . . .		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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.**

	Yes	No
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? . . . . . <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No		
(2) Borrow money from, lend money to, or otherwise extend credit to (or accept it from) a disqualified person? . . . . . <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No		
(3) Furnish goods, services, or facilities to (or accept them from) a disqualified person? . . . . . <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No		
(4) Pay compensation to, or pay or reimburse the expenses of, a disqualified person? . . . . . <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No		
(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)? . . . . . <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No		
(6) Agree to pay money or property to a government official? ( <b>Exception.</b> 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.) . . . . . <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No		
b If any answer is "Yes" to 1a(1)–(6), did <b>any</b> 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 . . . . . ▶ <input type="checkbox"/>		
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? . . . . .		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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? . . . . . <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No If "Yes," list the years ▶ 20____, 20____, 20____, 20____		
b Are there any years listed in 2a for which the foundation is <b>not</b> 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.) . . . . .		
c If the provisions of section 4942(a)(2) are being applied to <b>any</b> of the years listed in 2a, list the years here. ▶ 20____, 20____, 20____, 20____		
3a Did the foundation hold more than a 2% direct or indirect interest in any business enterprise at any time during the year? . . . . . <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 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.) . . . . .		
4a Did the foundation invest during the year any amount in a manner that would jeopardize its charitable purposes?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

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

		Yes	No
<b>5a</b>	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))?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
(2)	Influence the outcome of any specific public election (see section 4955); or to carry on, directly or indirectly, any voter registration drive?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
(3)	Provide a grant to an individual for travel, study, or other similar purposes?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
(4)	Provide a grant to an organization other than a charitable, etc., organization described in section 4945(d)(4)(A)? See instructions	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 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?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
<b>b</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	<input type="checkbox"/>	
<b>c</b>	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?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
	If "Yes," attach the statement required by Regulations section 53.4945-5(d).		
<b>6a</b>	Did the foundation, during the year, receive any funds, directly or indirectly, to pay premiums on a personal benefit contract?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
<b>b</b>	Did the foundation, during the year, pay premiums, directly or indirectly, on a personal benefit contract?		
	If "Yes" to 6b, file Form 8870.		
<b>7a</b>	At any time during the tax year, was the foundation a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
<b>b</b>	If "Yes," did the foundation receive any proceeds or have any net income attributable to the transaction?		
<b>8</b>	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?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 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. See instructions.**

(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
David L. Straus Bethesda, MD	Director	-0-	-0-	-0-
Thomas S. King 10 Skyline Lane Stamford, CT 06903	Director, Man 5 hrs/wk	-0-	-0-	-0-
Hillary S. Macmillan 100 So Euba UN 1109 Orlando, FL	Director	-0-	-0-	-0-
Patricia Gerleit 2 Canterbury Rd. So. Harrison, NY 10528	Director	-0-	-0-	-0-

**2 Compensation of five highest-paid employees (other than those included on line 1—see instructions). 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** ▶

**Part VIII Information About Officers, Directors, Trustees, Foundation Managers, Highly Paid Employees, and Contractors (continued)****3 Five highest-paid independent contractors for professional services. See instructions. If none, enter "NONE."**

(a) Name and address of each person paid more than \$50,000	(b) Type of service	(c) Compensation
NONE		

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

**Part IX-A Summary of Direct Charitable Activities**

List the foundation's four largest direct charitable activities during the tax year. Include relevant statistical information such as the number of organizations and other beneficiaries served, conferences convened, research papers produced, etc.

	Expenses
<b>1</b>	
<b>2</b>	NONE
<b>3</b>	
<b>4</b>	

**Part IX-B Summary of Program-Related Investments (see instructions)**

Describe the two largest program-related investments made by the foundation during the tax year on lines 1 and 2

	Amount
<b>1</b>	
<b>2</b>	NONE
<b>3</b>	All other program-related investments. See instructions.

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

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

<b>1</b>	Fair market value of assets not used (or held for use) directly in carrying out charitable, etc., purposes:	
<b>a</b>	Average monthly fair market value of securities	<b>1a</b> 11791365
<b>b</b>	Average of monthly cash balances	<b>1b</b> 152114
<b>c</b>	Fair market value of all other assets (see instructions)	<b>1c</b> -
<b>d</b>	<b>Total</b> (add lines 1a, b, and c)	<b>1d</b> 11950079
<b>e</b>	Reduction claimed for blockage or other factors reported on lines 1a and 1c (attach detailed explanation).	<b>1e</b> -
<b>2</b>	Acquisition indebtedness applicable to line 1 assets	<b>2</b> -
<b>3</b>	Subtract line 2 from line 1d	<b>3</b> 11950079
<b>4</b>	Cash deemed held for charitable activities. Enter 1 1/2% of line 3 (for greater amount, see instructions)	<b>4</b> 179251
<b>5</b>	<b>Net value of noncharitable-use assets.</b> Subtract line 4 from line 3. Enter here and on Part V, line 4	<b>5</b> 11770828
<b>6</b>	<b>Minimum investment return.</b> Enter 5% of line 5	<b>6</b> 588541

**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.)

<b>1</b>	Minimum investment return from Part X, line 6	<b>1</b> 588541
<b>2a</b>	Tax on investment income for 2019 from Part VI, line 5	<b>2a</b> 9849
<b>b</b>	Income tax for 2019. (This does not include the tax from Part VI.)	<b>2b</b> -
<b>c</b>	Add lines 2a and 2b	<b>2c</b> 9849
<b>3</b>	Distributable amount before adjustments. Subtract line 2c from line 1	<b>3</b> 578692
<b>4</b>	Recoveries of amounts treated as qualifying distributions	<b>4</b> 0
<b>5</b>	Add lines 3 and 4	<b>5</b> 578692
<b>6</b>	Deduction from distributable amount (see instructions)	<b>6</b> 0
<b>7</b>	<b>Distributable amount</b> as adjusted. Subtract line 6 from line 5. Enter here and on Part XIII, line 1	<b>7</b> 578692

**Part XII Qualifying Distributions** (see instructions)

<b>1</b>	Amounts paid (including administrative expenses) to accomplish charitable, etc., purposes:	
<b>a</b>	Expenses, contributions, gifts, etc.—total from Part I, column (d), line 26	<b>1a</b> 574000
<b>b</b>	Program-related investments—total from Part IX-B	<b>1b</b> -
<b>2</b>	Amounts paid to acquire assets used (or held for use) directly in carrying out charitable, etc., purposes	<b>2</b> -
<b>3</b>	Amounts set aside for specific charitable projects that satisfy the:	
<b>a</b>	Suitability test (prior IRS approval required)	<b>3a</b> -
<b>b</b>	Cash distribution test (attach the required schedule)	<b>3b</b> -
<b>4</b>	<b>Qualifying distributions.</b> Add lines 1a through 3b. Enter here and on Part V, line 8; and Part XIII, line 4	<b>4</b> 574000
<b>5</b>	Foundations that qualify under section 4940(e) for the reduced rate of tax on net investment income. Enter 1% of Part I, line 27b. See instructions	<b>5</b> 0
<b>6</b>	<b>Adjusted qualifying distributions.</b> Subtract line 5 from line 4	<b>6</b> 574000

**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
<b>1</b> Distributable amount for 2019 from Part XI, line 7				573640
<b>2</b> Undistributed income, if any, as of the end of 2019:				
<b>a</b> Enter amount for 2018 only			34	
<b>b</b> Total for prior years: 20 , 20 , 20		0		
<b>3</b> Excess distributions carryover, if any, to 2019:				
<b>a</b> From 2014				
<b>b</b> From 2015				
<b>c</b> From 2016				
<b>d</b> From 2017				
<b>e</b> From 2018				
<b>f</b> Total of lines 3a through e				
<b>4</b> Qualifying distributions for 2019 from Part XII, line 4: ► \$ 574000			34	
<b>a</b> Applied to 2018, but not more than line 2a				
<b>b</b> Applied to undistributed income of prior years (Election required—see instructions)		0		
<b>c</b> Treated as distributions out of corpus (Election required—see instructions)				
<b>d</b> Applied to 2019 distributable amount				572961
<b>e</b> Remaining amount distributed out of corpus				
<b>5</b> Excess distributions carryover applied to 2019 (If an amount appears in column (d), the same amount must be shown in column (a).)				
<b>6</b> Enter the net total of each column as indicated below:				
<b>a</b> Corpus. Add lines 3f, 4c, and 4e. Subtract line 5				
<b>b</b> Prior years' undistributed income. Subtract line 4b from line 2b		0		
<b>c</b> 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		
<b>d</b> Subtract line 6c from line 6b. Taxable amount—see instructions		0		
<b>e</b> Undistributed income for 2018. Subtract line 4a from line 2a. Taxable amount—see instructions			0	
<b>f</b> Undistributed income for 2019. Subtract lines 4d and 5 from line 1. This amount must be distributed in 2020				4726
<b>7</b> Amounts treated as distributions out of corpus to satisfy requirements imposed by section 170(h)(1)(F) or 4942(g)(3) (Election may be required—see instructions)				
<b>8</b> Excess distributions carryover from 2014 not applied on line 5 or line 7 (see instructions)				
<b>9</b> Excess distributions carryover to 2020. Subtract lines 7 and 8 from line 6a				
<b>10</b> Analysis of line 9:				
<b>a</b> Excess from 2015				
<b>b</b> Excess from 2016				
<b>c</b> Excess from 2017				
<b>d</b> Excess from 2018				
<b>e</b> Excess from 2019				

**Part XIV Private Operating Foundations** (see instructions and Part VII-A, question 9)

- 1a** If the foundation has received a ruling or determination letter that it is a private operating foundation, and the ruling is effective for 2019, enter the date of the ruling . . . . . 
- b** Check box to indicate whether the foundation is a private operating foundation described in section ☐ 4942(j)(3) or ☐ 4942(j)(5)

	Prior 3 years				(e) Total
	(a) 2019	(b) 2018	(c) 2017	(d) 2016	
<b>2a</b> Enter the lesser of the adjusted net income from Part I or the minimum investment return from Part X for each year listed . . . . .					
<b>b</b> 85% of line 2a . . . . .					
<b>c</b> Qualifying distributions from Part XII, line 4, for each year listed . . . . .					
<b>d</b> Amounts included in line 2c not used directly for active conduct of exempt activities . . . . .					
<b>e</b> Qualifying distributions made directly for active conduct of exempt activities. Subtract line 2d from line 2c . . . . .			N/A		
<b>3</b> Complete 3a, b, or c for the alternative test relied upon:					
<b>a</b> "Assets" alternative test—enter:					
<b>(1)</b> Value of all assets . . . . .					
<b>(2)</b> Value of assets qualifying under section 4942(j)(3)(B)(i) . . . . .					
<b>b</b> "Endowment" alternative test—enter <sup>2</sup> / <sub>3</sub> of minimum investment return shown in Part X, line 6, for each year listed . . . . .					
<b>c</b> "Support" alternative test—enter:					
<b>(1)</b> Total support other than gross investment income (interest, dividends, rents, payments on securities loans (section 512(a)(5)), or royalties) . . . . .					
<b>(2)</b> Support from general public and 5 or more exempt organizations as provided in section 4942(j)(3)(B)(iii) . . . . .					
<b>(3)</b> Largest amount of support from an exempt organization . . . . .					
<b>(4)</b> Gross investment income . . . . .					

**Part XV**   **Supplementary Information (Complete this part only if the foundation had \$5,000 or more in assets at any time during the year—see instructions.)**

## 1 Information Regarding Foundation Managers:

- a List any managers of the foundation who have contributed more than 2% of the total contributions received by the foundation before the close of any tax year (but only if they have contributed more than \$5,000). (See section 507(d)(2).)

**NONE**

- b** List any managers of the foundation who own 10% or more of the stock of a corporation (or an equally large portion of the ownership of a partnership or other entity) of which the foundation has a 10% or greater interest.

**NONE**

**2 Information Regarding Contribution, Grant, Gift, Loan, Scholarship, etc., Programs:**

Check here ☒ if the foundation only makes contributions to preselected charitable organizations and does not accept unsolicited requests for funds. If the foundation makes gifts, grants, etc., to individuals or organizations under other conditions, complete items 2a, b, c, and d. See instructions.

- a** The name, address, and telephone number or email address of the person to whom applications should be addressed:

- b** The form in which applications should be submitted and information and materials they should include:

- c Any submission deadlines:**

- d Any restrictions or limitations on awards, such as by geographical areas, charitable fields, kinds of institutions, or other factors:

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

Recipient	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
Name and address (home or business)				
<b>a</b> <i>Paid during the year</i>	<b>See Schedule Attached</b>			
<b>b</b> <i>Approved for future payment</i>				
<b>Total</b>				<b>3a</b> 574,000.
	<b>NONE</b>			
<b>Total</b>				<b>3b</b>

**Part XVI-A Analysis of Income-Producing Activities**

Enter gross amounts unless otherwise indicated.

Enter gross amounts unless otherwise indicated.		Unrelated business income		Excluded by section 512, 513, or 514		(e) Related or exempt function income (See instructions.)
		(a) Business code	(b) Amount	(c) Exclusion code	(d) Amount	
1	Program service revenue:					
a						
b						
c						
d						
e						
f						
g	Fees and contracts from government agencies					
2	Membership dues and assessments					
3	Interest on savings and temporary cash investments			14	677	
4	Dividends and interest from securities			14	428,124	
5	Net rental income or (loss) from real estate:					
a	Debt-financed property					
b	Not debt-financed property					
6	Net rental income or (loss) from personal property					
7	Other investment income					
8	Gain or (loss) from sales of assets other than inventory			18	66411	
9	Net income or (loss) from special events					
10	Gross profit or (loss) from sales of inventory					
11	Other revenue: a					
b						
c						
d						
e						
12	Subtotal. Add columns (b), (d), and (e)				495212	
13	Total. Add line 12, columns (b), (d), and (e)				495212	

(See worksheet in line 13 instructions to verify calculations.)

## Part XVI-B Relationship of Activities to the Accomplishment of Exempt Purposes

[illegible]

**Part XVII Information Regarding Transfers to and Transactions and Relationships With Noncharitable Exempt Organizations**

- |          |  | Yes   | No  |
|----------|--|-------|-----|
| <b>1</b> | Did the organization directly or indirectly engage in any of the following with any other organization described in section 501(c) (other than section 501(c)(3) organizations) or in section 527, relating to political organizations?  |       |     |
| <b>a</b> | Transfers from the reporting foundation to a noncharitable exempt organization of:   |       |     |
|          | (1) Cash   | 1a(1) | Yes |
|          | (2) Other assets   | 1a(2) | Yes |
| <b>b</b> | Other transactions:  |       |     |
|          | (1) Sales of assets to a noncharitable exempt organization   | 1b(1) | Yes |
|          | (2) Purchases of assets from a noncharitable exempt organization   | 1b(2) | Yes |
|          | (3) Rental of facilities, equipment, or other assets   | 1b(3) | Yes |
|          | (4) Reimbursement arrangements   | 1b(4) | Yes |
|          | (5) Loans or loan guarantees   | 1b(5) | Yes |
|          | (6) Performance of services or membership or fundraising solicitations   | 1b(6) | Yes |
| <b>c</b> | Sharing of facilities, equipment, mailing lists, other assets, or paid employees   | 1c    | Yes |
| <b>d</b> | If the answer to any of the above is "Yes," complete the following schedule. Column (b) should always show the fair market value of the goods, other assets, or services given by the reporting foundation. If the foundation received less than fair market value in any transaction or sharing arrangement, show in column (d) the value of the goods, other assets, or services received. |       |     |

[illegible]

- 2a** Is the foundation directly or indirectly affiliated with, or related to, one or more tax-exempt organizations described in section 501(c) (other than section 501(c)(3)) or in section 527? . . . . . ☐ Yes ☒ No
- b** If "Yes," complete the following schedule.

(a) Name of organization	(b) Type of organization	(c) Description of relationship

**Sign  
Here**

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

Signature of officer or trustee \_\_\_\_\_

6/29/20  
Date

Secy / Treas

May the IRS discuss this return with the preparer shown below?  
See instructions ☒ Yes ☐ No

**Paid  
Preparer  
Use Only**

Print/Type preparer's name

Preparer's signature

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Check ☒ if self-employed

PTIN

Print/Type preparer's name	Preparer's signature
Leonore A. Buloff, CPA	Leonore A. Buloff, CPA

Date 6/20/20

PTIN  
P01063691

Firm's name ▶ Leonore A. Briloff, CPA

Firm's EIN ▶ 81-2843914

Firm's address ► 274 Madison Ave. NY,NY 10016

Phone no

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## Part I

	(a) Per Books	(b) Re-Investment Income	(c) Re Adj Net Income
Line 18- Taxes			
Federal Taxes	7414	-	-
	7414	-	-
Line 23- other Expenses			
Merrill Lynch Fee	150		
Other: Safe deposit box, bank charges, etc	1334		
	1484	742	742

Harry H. Straus - Harry H. Straus Foundation Inc.  
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Part II Valuation Schedule - December 31, 2018

		Cost	Market
Equities	Consolidated Funds		
10,000	1745	\$ 39,711	\$ 28,564
10,000	Bristol Myers Squibb	4,988	5,098
3,800	Consolidated Edison	15,628	2,405
13,000	Chevron	55,273	1,740
2,300	Dow DuPont Inc.	-	1,227
1,681	DTE Energy Co.	5,143	1,854
6,000	Dominion Energy Inc.	80,337	1,511
40,710	Duke Energy Corp New including (.998 fractional share) (.002 fractional share)	131,604	4,004
58,532	Exxon Mobil Corp	97,755	2,627
8,000	Fortune Brands	5,730	3,034
6,368	International Business Machines	104,146	1,232
13,500	Norfolk Southern Corp	34,250	2,018
1,000	Scana Corp	991	4,778
6,992	Verizon Communications	79,588	3,930
14,31	Vodafone Group Plc Shs ADR	-	2,754
3,353	General American Investors	5,103	9,535
4,713	Blackrock US Govt Bond Portfolio (including .0710 fractional share)	50,009	4,879
Sub total Equities and Mutual Funds		434,709	10,294
TOTAL VALUATION - Investments on Hand December 31, 2018		\$ 934,709	\$ 10,294

Martha Washington Straus - Harry H. Straus Foundation, Inc.  
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Part II - Valuation Schedule - December 31, 2019

		Cost	Market
<u>Equities</u>			
10016	AT&T	\$ 39311	\$ 393170
10600	Bristol-Myers Squibb	4988	680414
764	Corteva Inc.	-	22732
3200	Consolidated Edison	153028	343786
16000	Chevron	55273	1928160
709	Dow Inc.	-	42087
764	Dupont de Nemours	-	44850
1681	DTE Energy Co	31743	215311
6661	Dominion Energy Inc	90248	502327
4640	Duke Energy Corp New-Inclusion (.9990 fractional share) (.0010 fractional share)	131604	403214
35207	Exxon Mobil	97735	2689122
8001	Fortune Brands	5730	521720
6368	International Business Machines	104146	852567
13500	Norfolk Southern	34250	2620755
6442	Verizon Communications	79588	429309
1411	Vodafone Group	-	1111
	Total Equities	827664	11777365
Total Valuation - Investments on Hand December 31, 2019		\$ 827664	11777365