Form **990**

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

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

► Do not enter social security numbers on this form as it may be made public.
► Information about Form 990 and its instructions is at *www.irs.gov/form990.*

OMB No. 1545-0047

2015

Open to Public Inspection

A For the 2015 calendar year, or tax year beginning , 2015, and ending ,

B Check if applicable:
- ☐ Address change
- ☐ Name change
- ☐ Initial return
- ☐ Final return/terminated
- ☐ Amended return
- ☐ Application pending

C
San Francisco Bay Bird Observatory
524 Valley Way
Milpitas, CA 95035

D Employer identification number: 94-2788588

E Telephone number: 408-946-6548

G Gross receipts $ 739,700.

F Name and address of principal officer: Yiwei Wang
Same As C Above

H(a) Is this a group return for subordinates? ☐ Yes ☒ No

H(b) Are all subordinates included? ☐ Yes ☐ No
If 'No,' attach a list. (see instructions)

I Tax-exempt status: ☒ 501(c)(3) ☐ 501(c) ( )◄ (insert no.) ☐ 4947(a)(1) or ☐ 527

J Website: ► www.sfbbo.org

H(c) Group exemption number ►

K Form of organization: ☒ Corporation ☐ Trust ☐ Association ☐ Other ► **L** Year of formation: 1981 **M** State of legal domicile: CA

Part I Summary

1 Briefly describe the organization's mission or most significant activities: The San Francisco Bay Bird Observatory uses science to conserve birds and habitats. Our avian monitoring and habitat restoration activities provide critical data that we use to educate land managers and the public, and contribute to informed conservation decisions.

2 Check this box ► ☐ if the organization discontinued its operations or disposed of more than 25% of its net assets.

3	Number of voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1a)	3	10
4	Number of independent voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1b)	4	8
5	Total number of individuals employed in calendar year 2015 (Part V, line 2a)	5	24
6	Total number of volunteers (estimate if necessary)	6	198
7a	Total unrelated business revenue from Part VIII, column (C), line 12	7a	0.
b	Net unrelated business taxable income from Form 990-T, line 34	7b	0.

		Prior Year	Current Year
8	Contributions and grants (Part VIII, line 1h)	442,728.	480,204.
9	Program service revenue (Part VIII, line 2g)	168,842.	259,322.
10	Investment income (Part VIII, column (A), lines 3, 4, and 7d)	7.	6.
11	Other revenue (Part VIII, column (A), lines 5, 6d, 8c, 9c, 10c, and 11e)		168.
12	Total revenue – add lines 8 through 11 (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	611,577.	739,700.
13	Grants and similar amounts paid (Part IX, column (A), lines 1-3)	8,750.	14,000.
14	Benefits paid to or for members (Part IX, column (A), line 4)		
15	Salaries, other compensation, employee benefits (Part IX, column (A), lines 5-10)	369,542.	540,364.
16a	Professional fundraising fees (Part IX, column (A), line 11e)		
b	Total fundraising expenses (Part IX, column (D), line 25) ► 38,043.		
17	Other expenses (Part IX, column (A), lines 11a-11d, 11f-24e)	212,357.	197,988.
18	Total expenses. Add lines 13-17 (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	590,649.	752,352.
19	Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 18 from line 12	20,928.	-12,652.

		Beginning of Current Year	End of Year
20	Total assets (Part X, line 16)	201,018.	242,576.
21	Total liabilities (Part X, line 26)	29,757.	83,967.
22	Net assets or fund balances. Subtract line 21 from line 20	171,261.	158,609.

Part II Signature Block

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

Sign Here

► Signature of officer — Date

► Type or print name and title.

Paid Preparer Use Only

Print/Type preparer's name: Adele Kaneda	Preparer's signature: Adele Kaneda	Date: 5/23/16	Check ☐ if self-employed — PTIN: P01664922
Firm's name ► Crosby & Kaneda, CPAs			Firm's EIN ► N/A
Firm's address ► 1970 Broadway STE 930 Oakland, CA 94612			Phone no. (510) 835-2727

May the IRS discuss this return with the preparer shown above? (see instructions) ☒ Yes ☐ No

Form **8868**
(Rev January 2014)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Application for Extension of Time To File an Exempt Organization Return

► **File a separate application for each return.**

► **Information about Form 8868 and its instructions is at *www.irs.gov/form8868.***

OMB No. 1545-1709

- If you are filing for an **Automatic 3-Month Extension, complete only Part I** and check this box ..... ► [X]
- If you are filing for an **Additional (Not Automatic) 3-Month Extension, complete only Part II** (on page 2 of this form).

Do not complete Part II unless you have already been granted an automatic 3-month extension on a previously filed Form 8868.

Electronic filing *(e-file)*. You can electronically file Form 8868 if you need a 3-month automatic extension of time to file (6 months for a corporation required to file Form 990-T), or an additional (not automatic) 3-month extension of time. You can electronically file Form 8868 to request an extension of time to file any of the forms listed in Part I or Part II with the exception of Form 8870, Information Return for Transfers Associated With Certain Personal Benefit Contracts, which must be sent to the IRS in paper format (see instructions). For more details on the electronic filing of this form, visit *www.irs.gov/efile* and click on *e-file for Charities & Nonprofits*.

Part I Automatic 3-Month Extension of Time. Only submit original (no copies needed).

A corporation required to file Form 990-T and requesting an automatic 6-month extension – check this box and complete Part I only .... ► [ ]

All other corporations (including 1120-C filers), partnerships, REMICs, and trusts must use Form 7004 to request an extension of time to file income tax returns.

Enter filer's identifying number, see instructions

Type or print

File by the due date for filing your return. See instructions.

Name of exempt organization or other filer, see instructions.	Employer identification number (EIN) or
San Francisco Bay Bird Observatory	94-2788588
Number, street, and room or suite number. If a P.O. box, see instructions.	Social security number (SSN)
524 Valley Way	
City, town or post office, state, and ZIP code. For a foreign address, see instructions.	
Milpitas, CA 95035	

Enter the Return code for the return that this application is for (file a separate application for each return) 01

Application Is For	Return Code	Application Is For	Return Code
Form 990 or Form 990-EZ	01	Form 990-T (corporation)	07
Form 990-BL	02	Form 1041-A	08
Form 4720 (individual)	03	Form 4720 (other than individual)	09
Form 990-PF	04	Form 5227	10
Form 990-T (section 401(a) or 408(a) trust)	05	Form 6069	11
Form 990-T (trust other than above)	06	Form 8870	12

- The books are in the care of ► Yiwei Wang

Telephone No. ► 408-946-6548 Fax No. ► 408-946-9279

- If the organization does not have an office or place of business in the United States, check this box ..... ► [ ]
- If this is for a Group Return, enter the organization's four digit Group Exemption Number (GEN) _____. If this is for the whole group, check this box ..... ► [ ]. If it is for part of the group, check this box ... ► [ ] and attach a list with the names and EINs of all members the extension is for.

1 I request an automatic 3-month (6 months for a corporation required to file Form 990-T) extension of time until 8/15, 20 16, to file the exempt organization return for the organization named above. The extension is for the organization's return for:

► [X] calendar year 20 15 or

► [ ] tax year beginning _____, 20 ___, and ending _____, 20 ___.

2 If the tax year entered in line 1 is for less than 12 months, check reason: [ ] Initial return [ ] Final return [ ] Change in accounting period

3a If this application is for Forms 990-BL, 990-PF, 990-T, 4720, or 6069, enter the tentative tax, less any nonrefundable credits. See instructions	3a	$ 0.
b If this application is for Forms 990-PF, 990-T, 4720, or 6069, enter any refundable credits and estimated tax payments made. Include any prior year overpayment allowed as a credit	3b	$ 0.
c Balance due. Subtract line 3b from line 3a. Include your payment with this form, if required, by using EFTPS (Electronic Federal Tax Payment System). See instructions.	3c	$ 0.

Caution. If you are going to make an electronic funds withdrawal (direct debit) with this Form 8868, see Form 8453-EO and Form 8879-EO for payment instructions.

Part III Statement of Program Service Accomplishments

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

1 Briefly describe the organization's mission:

The San Francisco Bay Bird Observatory is dedicated to the conservation of birds and their habitats through science and outreach.

2 Did the organization undertake any significant program services during the year which were not listed on the prior Form 990 or 990-EZ? See Schedule O ..... X Yes ☐ No

If 'Yes,' describe these new services on Schedule O.

3 Did the organization cease conducting, or make significant changes in how it conducts, any program services? .... ☐ Yes X No

If 'Yes,' describe these changes on Schedule O.

4 Describe the organization's program service accomplishments for each of its three largest program services, as measured by expenses. Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations are required to report the amount of grants and allocations to others, the total expenses, and revenue, if any, for each program service reported.

4a (Code:) (Expenses $ 408,758. including grants of $ 14,000.) (Revenue $ 141,393.)

See Schedule O

4b (Code:) (Expenses $ 190,102. including grants of $) (Revenue $ 113,279.)

The Habitats Program is a science-based restoration program focused on sustainable restoration of tidal marsh-upland transition zone habitats. Habitat restoration benefits endangered tidal marsh birds and mammals that rely on these habitats as high-tide refuge. Ecologists use science to find innovative solutions for restoration, and work with land managers to integrate tidal marsh-upland transition zone methods into larger restoration projects.

4c (Code:) (Expenses $ 54,006. including grants of $) (Revenue $ 4,649.)

Our Outreach Program connects people with our mission to achieve a greater understanding of avian conservation and science in their community. We also participate in region-wide efforts to compile long-term datasets to guide restoration and conservation planning efforts, and conduct monitoring projects to assess the effect of prescribed burns on grassland bird communities. We also lead outreach events (sometimes in collaboration with other organizations) in the field, at libraries, at the Coyote Creek Field Station, and by invitation to teach children and adults about the scientific method and local wildlife.

4d Other program services. (Describe in Schedule O.)

(Expenses $ including grants of $) (Revenue $)

4e Total program service expenses ► 652,866.

Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules

			Yes	No
1	Is the organization described in section 501(c)(3) or 4947(a)(1) (other than a private foundation)? *If 'Yes,' complete Schedule A*	1	X	
2	Is the organization required to complete *Schedule B, Schedule of Contributors* (see instructions)?	2	X	
3	Did the organization engage in direct or indirect political campaign activities on behalf of or in opposition to candidates for public office? *If 'Yes,' complete Schedule C, Part I*	3		X
4	**Section 501(c)(3) organizations.** Did the organization engage in lobbying activities, or have a section 501(h) election in effect during the tax year? *If 'Yes,' complete Schedule C, Part II*	4		X
5	Is the organization a section 501(c)(4), 501(c)(5), or 501(c)(6) organization that receives membership dues, assessments, or similar amounts as defined in Revenue Procedure 98-19? *If 'Yes,' complete Schedule C, Part III*	5		X
6	Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds or any similar funds or accounts for which donors have the right to provide advice on the distribution or investment of amounts in such funds or accounts? *If 'Yes,' complete Schedule D, Part I*	6		X
7	Did the organization receive or hold a conservation easement, including easements to preserve open space, the environment, historic land areas, or historic structures? *If 'Yes,' complete Schedule D, Part II*	7		X
8	Did the organization maintain collections of works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets? *If 'Yes,' complete Schedule D, Part III*	8		X
9	Did the organization report an amount in Part X, line 21, for escrow or custodial account liability; serve as a custodian for amounts not listed in Part X; or provide credit counseling, debt management, credit repair, or debt negotiation services? *If 'Yes,' complete Schedule D, Part IV*	9		X
10	Did the organization, directly or through a related organization, hold assets in temporarily restricted endowments, permanent endowments, or quasi-endowments? *If 'Yes,' complete Schedule D, Part V*	10		X
11	If the organization's answer to any of the following questions is 'Yes', then complete Schedule D, Parts VI, VII, VIII, IX, or X as applicable.			
a	Did the organization report an amount for land, buildings and equipment in Part X, line 10? *If 'Yes,' complete Schedule D, Part VI*	11a	X	
b	Did the organization report an amount for investments – other securities in Part X, line 12 that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? *If 'Yes,' complete Schedule D, Part VII*	11b		X
c	Did the organization report an amount for investments – program related in Part X, line 13 that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? *If 'Yes,' complete Schedule D, Part VIII*	11c		X
d	Did the organization report an amount for other assets in Part X, line 15 that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? *If 'Yes,' complete Schedule D, Part IX*	11d		X
e	Did the organization report an amount for other liabilities in Part X, line 25? *If 'Yes,' complete Schedule D, Part X*	11e		X
f	Did the organization's separate or consolidated financial statements for the tax year include a footnote that addresses the organization's liability for uncertain tax positions under FIN 48 (ASC 740)? *If 'Yes,' complete Schedule D, Part X*	11f	X	
12a	Did the organization obtain separate, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? *If 'Yes,' complete Schedule D, Parts XI, and XII*	12a		X
b	Was the organization included in consolidated, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? *If 'Yes,' and if the organization answered 'No' to line 12a, then completing Schedule D, Parts XI and XII is optional*	12b		X
13	Is the organization a school described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? *If 'Yes,' complete Schedule E*	13		X
14a	Did the organization maintain an office, employees, or agents outside of the United States?	14a		X
b	Did the organization have aggregate revenues or expenses of more than $10,000 from grantmaking, fundraising, business, investment, and program service activities outside the United States, or aggregate foreign investments valued at $100,000 or more? *If 'Yes,' complete Schedule F, Parts I and IV*	14b		X
15	Did the organization report on Part IX, column (A), line 3, more than $5,000 of grants or other assistance to or for any foreign organization? *If 'Yes,' complete Schedule F, Parts II and IV*	15		X
16	Did the organization report on Part IX, column (A), line 3, more than $5,000 of aggregate grants or other assistance to or for foreign individuals? *If 'Yes,' complete Schedule F, Parts III and IV*	16		X
17	Did the organization report a total of more than $15,000 of expenses for professional fundraising services on Part IX, column (A), lines 6 and 11e? *If 'Yes,' complete Schedule G, Part I* (see instructions)	17		X
18	Did the organization report more than $15,000 total of fundraising event gross income and contributions on Part VIII, lines 1c and 8a? *If 'Yes,' complete Schedule G, Part II*	18		X
19	Did the organization report more than $15,000 of gross income from gaming activities on Part VIII, line 9a? *If 'Yes,' complete Schedule G, Part III*	19		X

Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules *(continued)*

			Yes	No
20a	Did the organization operate one or more hospital facilities? *If 'Yes', complete Schedule H*	20a		X
b	If 'Yes' to line 20a, did the organization attach a copy of its audited financial statements to this return?	20b		
21	Did the organization report more than $5,000 of grants or other assistance to any domestic organization or domestic government on Part IX, column (A), line 1? *If 'Yes,' complete Schedule I, Parts I and II*	21		X
22	Did the organization report more than $5,000 of grants or other assistance to or for domestic individuals on Part IX, column (A), line 2? *If 'Yes,' complete Schedule I, Parts I and III*	22	X	
23	Did the organization answer 'Yes' to Part VII, Section A, line 3, 4, or 5 about compensation of the organization's current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, and highest compensated employees? *If 'Yes,' complete Schedule J*	23		X
24a	Did the organization have a tax-exempt bond issue with an outstanding principal amount of more than $100,000 as of the last day of the year, that was issued after December 31, 2002? *If 'Yes,' answer lines 24b through 24d and complete Schedule K. If 'No, 'go to line 25a*	24a		X
b	Did the organization invest any proceeds of tax-exempt bonds beyond a temporary period exception?	24b		
c	Did the organization maintain an escrow account other than a refunding escrow at any time during the year to defease any tax-exempt bonds?	24c		
d	Did the organization act as an 'on behalf of' issuer for bonds outstanding at any time during the year?	24d		
25a	**Section 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations.** Did the organization engage in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person during the year? *If 'Yes,' complete Schedule L, Part I*	25a		X
b	Is the organization aware that it engaged in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person in a prior year, and that the transaction has not been reported on any of the organization's prior Forms 990 or 990-EZ? *If 'Yes,' complete Schedule L, Part I*	25b		X
26	Did the organization report any amount on Part X, line 5, 6, or 22 for receivables from or payables to any current or former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, highest compensated employees, or disqualified persons? *If 'Yes', complete Schedule L, Part II*	26		X
27	Did the organization provide a grant or other assistance to an officer, director, trustee, key employee, substantial contributor or employee thereof, a grant selection committee member, or to a 35% controlled entity or family member of any of these persons? *If 'Yes,' complete Schedule L, Part III*	27		X
28	Was the organization a party to a business transaction with one of the following parties (see Schedule L, Part IV instructions for applicable filing thresholds, conditions, and exceptions):			
a	A current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee? *If 'Yes,' complete Schedule L, Part IV*	28a		X
b	A family member of a current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee? *If 'Yes,' complete Schedule L, Part IV*	28b		X
c	An entity of which a current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee (or a family member thereof) was an officer, director, trustee, or direct or indirect owner? *If 'Yes,' complete Schedule L, Part IV*	28c		X
29	Did the organization receive more than $25,000 in non-cash contributions? *If 'Yes,' complete Schedule M*	29	X	
30	Did the organization receive contributions of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets, or qualified conservation contributions? *If 'Yes,' complete Schedule M*	30		X
31	Did the organization liquidate, terminate, or dissolve and cease operations? *If 'Yes,' complete Schedule N, Part I*	31		X
32	Did the organization sell, exchange, dispose of, or transfer more than 25% of its net assets? *If 'Yes,' complete Schedule N, Part II*	32		X
33	Did the organization own 100% of an entity disregarded as separate from the organization under Regulations sections 301.7701-2 and 301.7701-3? *If 'Yes,' complete Schedule R, Part I*	33		X
34	Was the organization related to any tax-exempt or taxable entity? *If 'Yes,' complete Schedule R, Part II, III, or IV, and Part V, line 1*	34		X
35a	Did the organization have a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)?	35a		X
b	If 'Yes' to line 35a, 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,' complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2*	35b		
36	**Section 501(c)(3) organizations.** Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization? *If 'Yes,' complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2*	36		X
37	Did the organization conduct more than 5% of its activities through an entity that is not a related organization and that is treated as a partnership for federal income tax purposes? *If 'Yes,' complete Schedule R, Part VI*	37		X
38	Did the organization complete Schedule O and provide explanations in Schedule O for Part VI, lines 11b and 19? **Note.** All Form 990 filers are required to complete Schedule O	38	X	

Statements Regarding Other IRS Filings and Tax Compliance

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

			Yes	No
1a	Enter the number reported in Box 3 of Form 1096. Enter -0- if not applicable	4		
b	Enter the number of Forms W-2G included in line 1a. Enter -0- if not applicable	0		
c	Did the organization comply with backup withholding rules for reportable payments to vendors and reportable gaming (gambling) winnings to prize winners?	1c	X	
2a	Enter the number of employees reported on Form W-3, Transmittal of Wage and Tax Statements, filed for the calendar year ending with or within the year covered by this return	24		
b	If at least one is reported on line 2a, did the organization file all required federal employment tax returns?	2b	X	
	Note. If the sum of lines 1a and 2a is greater than 250, you may be required to *e-file* (see instructions)			
3a	Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of $1,000 or more during the year?	3a		X
b	If 'Yes' has it filed a Form 990-T for this year? *If 'No' to line 3b, provide an explanation in Schedule O*	3b		
4a	At any time during the calendar year, did the organization have an interest in, or a signature or other authority over, a financial account in a foreign country (such as a bank account, securities account, or other financial account)?	4a		X
b	If 'Yes,' enter the name of the foreign country: ►			
	See instructions for filing requirements for FinCEN Form 114, Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts. (FBAR)			
5a	Was the organization a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction at any time during the tax year?	5a		X
b	Did any taxable party notify the organization that it was or is a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction?	5b		X
c	If 'Yes,' to line 5a or 5b, did the organization file Form 8886-T?	5c		
6a	Does the organization have annual gross receipts that are normally greater than $100,000, and did the organization solicit any contributions that were not tax deductible as charitable contributions?	6a	X	
b	If 'Yes,' did the organization include with every solicitation an express statement that such contributions or gifts were not tax deductible?	6b	X	
7	**Organizations that may receive deductible contributions under section 170(c).**			
a	Did the organization receive a payment in excess of $75 made partly as a contribution and partly for goods and services provided to the payor?	7a		X
b	If 'Yes,' did the organization notify the donor of the value of the goods or services provided?	7b		
c	Did the organization sell, exchange, or otherwise dispose of tangible personal property for which it was required to file Form 8282?	7c		X
d	If 'Yes,' indicate the number of Forms 8282 filed during the year	7d		
e	Did the organization receive any funds, directly or indirectly, to pay premiums on a personal benefit contract?	7e		X
f	Did the organization, during the year, pay premiums, directly or indirectly, on a personal benefit contract?	7f		X
g	If the organization received a contribution of qualified intellectual property, did the organization file Form 8899 as required?	7g		
h	If the organization received a contribution of cars, boats, airplanes, or other vehicles, did the organization file a Form 1098-C?	7h	X	
8	**Sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds.** Did a donor advised fund maintained by the sponsoring organization have excess business holdings at any time during the year?	8		
9	**Sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds.**			
a	Did the sponsoring organization make any taxable distributions under section 4966?	9a		
b	Did the sponsoring organization make a distribution to a donor, donor advisor, or related person?	9b		
10	**Section 501(c)(7) organizations.** Enter:			
a	Initiation fees and capital contributions included on Part VIII, line 12	10a		
b	Gross receipts, included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, for public use of club facilities	10b		
11	**Section 501(c)(12) organizations.** Enter:			
a	Gross income from members or shareholders	11a		
b	Gross income from other sources (Do not net amounts due or paid to other sources against amounts due or received from them.)	11b		
12a	**Section 4947(a)(1) non-exempt charitable trusts.** Is the organization filing Form 990 in lieu of Form 1041?	12a		
b	If 'Yes,' enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the year	12b		
13	**Section 501(c)(29) qualified nonprofit health insurance issuers.**			
a	Is the organization licensed to issue qualified health plans in more than one state?	13a		
	Note. See the instructions for additional information the organization must report on Schedule O.			
b	Enter the amount of reserves the organization is required to maintain by the states in which the organization is licensed to issue qualified health plans	13b		
c	Enter the amount of reserves on hand	13c		
14a	Did the organization receive any payments for indoor tanning services during the tax year?	14a		X
b	If 'Yes,' has it filed a Form 720 to report these payments? *If 'No,' provide an explanation in Schedule O*	14b		

Part VI Governance, Management, and Disclosure *For each 'Yes' response to lines 2 through 7b below, and for a 'No' response to line 8a, 8b, or 10b below, describe the circumstances, processes, or changes in Schedule O. See instructions.*

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

Section A. Governing Body and Management

			Yes	No
1a	Enter the number of voting members of the governing body at the end of the tax year 1a	10		
	If there are material differences in voting rights among members of the governing body, or if the governing body delegated broad authority to an executive committee or similar committee, explain in Schedule O.			
b	Enter the number of voting members included in line 1a, above, who are independent 1b	8		
2	Did any officer, director, trustee, or key employee have a family relationship or a business relationship with any other officer, director, trustee, or key employee?	2		X
3	Did the organization delegate control over management duties customarily performed by or under the direct supervision of officers, directors, or trustees, or key employees to a management company or other person?	3		X
4	Did the organization make any significant changes to its governing documents since the prior Form 990 was filed?	4		X
5	Did the organization become aware during the year of a significant diversion of the organization's assets?	5		X
6	Did the organization have members or stockholders? ..... See Schedule O	6	X	
7a	Did the organization have members, stockholders, or other persons who had the power to elect or appoint one or more members of the governing body? ..... See Schedule O	7a	X	
b	Are any governance decisions of the organization reserved to (or subject to approval by) members, stockholders, or persons other than the governing body? ..... See Sch O	7b	X	
8	Did the organization contemporaneously document the meetings held or written actions undertaken during the year by the following:			
a	The governing body?	8a	X	
b	Each committee with authority to act on behalf of the governing body?	8b	X	
9	Is there any officer, director, trustee, or key employee listed in Part VII, Section A, who cannot be reached at the organization's mailing address? *If 'Yes,' provide the names and addresses in Schedule O*	9		X

Section B. Policies *(This Section B requests information about policies not required by the Internal Revenue Code.)*

			Yes	No
10a	Did the organization have local chapters, branches, or affiliates?	10a		X
b	If 'Yes,' did the organization have written policies and procedures governing the activities of such chapters, affiliates, and branches to ensure their operations are consistent with the organization's exempt purposes?	10b		
11a	Has the organization provided a complete copy of this Form 990 to all members of its governing body before filing the form?	11a	X	
b	Describe in Schedule O the process, if any, used by the organization to review this Form 990. See Schedule O			
12a	Did the organization have a written conflict of interest policy? *If 'No,' go to line 13*	12a	X	
b	Were officers, directors, or trustees, and key employees required to disclose annually interests that could give rise to conflicts?	12b	X	
c	Did the organization regularly and consistently monitor and enforce compliance with the policy? *If 'Yes,' describe in Schedule O how this was done* ..... See Schedule O	12c	X	
13	Did the organization have a written whistleblower policy?	13	X	
14	Did the organization have a written document retention and destruction policy?	14	X	
15	Did the process for determining compensation of the following persons include a review and approval by independent persons, comparability data, and contemporaneous substantiation of the deliberation and decision?			
a	The organization's CEO, Executive Director, or top management official ..... See Schedule O	15a	X	
b	Other officers or key employees of the organization ..... See Schedule O	15b	X	
	If 'Yes' to line 15a or 15b, describe the process in Schedule O (see instructions).			
16a	Did the organization invest in, contribute assets to, or participate in a joint venture or similar arrangement with a taxable entity during the year?	16a		X
b	If 'Yes,' did the organization follow a written policy or procedure requiring the organization to evaluate its participation in joint venture arrangements under applicable federal tax law, and take steps to safeguard the organization's exempt status with respect to such arrangements?	16b		

Section C. Disclosure

17 List the states with which a copy of this Form 990 is required to be filed ► CA

18 Section 6104 requires an organization to make its Forms 1023 (or 1024 if applicable), 990, and 990-T (Section 501(c)(3)s only) available for public inspection. Indicate how you made these available. Check all that apply.

[X] Own website [X] Another's website [X] Upon request [ ] Other *(explain in Schedule O)*

19 Describe in Schedule O whether (and if so, how) the organization made its governing documents, conflict of interest policy, and financial statements available to the public during the tax year. See Schedule O

20 State the name, address, and telephone number of the person who possesses the organization's books and records: ►

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Part VII Compensation of Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, Highest Compensated Employees, and Independent Contractors

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part VII. ☐

Section A. Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees

1 a Complete this table for all persons required to be listed. Report compensation for the calendar year ending with or within the organization's tax year.

- List all of the organization's **current** officers, directors, trustees (whether individuals or organizations), regardless of amount of compensation. Enter -0- in columns (D), (E), and (F) if no compensation was paid.
- List all of the organization's **current** key employees, if any. See instructions for definition of 'key employee.'
- List the organization's five **current** highest compensated employees (other than an officer, director, trustee, or key employee) who received reportable compensation (Box 5 of Form W-2 and/or Box 7 of Form 1099-MISC) of more than $100,000 from the organization and any related organizations.
- List all of the organization's **former** officers, key employees, and highest compensated employees who received more than $100,000 of reportable compensation from the organization and any related organizations.
- List all of the organization's **former directors or trustees** that received, in the capacity as a former director or trustee of the organization, more than $10,000 of reportable compensation from the organization and any related organizations.

List persons in the following order: individual trustees or directors; institutional trustees; officers; key employees; highest compensated employees; and former such persons.

☐ Check this box if neither the organization nor any related organization compensated any current officer, director, or trustee.

(A) Name and Title	(B) Average hours per week (list any hours for related organizations below dotted line)	(C) Position (do not check more than one box, unless person is both an officer and a director/trustee)						(D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W-2/1099-MISC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W-2/1099-MISC)	(F) Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations
		Individual trustee or director	Institutional trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former			
(1) Brian Fullfrost	2.5									
Co-Chair	0	X		X				0.	0.	0.
(2) Lynne Trulio	12									
Co-Chair	0	X		X				0.	0.	0.
(3) Anne Hepburn	1.15									
Treasurer	0	X		X				0.	0.	0.
(4) Shannon McMahon	0.2									
Secretary	0	X		X				0.	0.	0.
(5) Catherine Burns	36									
Director/Frm ED	0	X		X				13,494.	0.	0.
(6) Jan Hintermeister	1.1									
Director	0	X						0.	0.	0.
(7) Leah Russin	0.5									
Director	0	X						0.	0.	0.
(8) Thomas Stewart	0.25									
Director	0	X						0.	0.	0.
(9) Anna Zivian	0.75									
Director	0	X						0.	0.	0.
(10) Yiwei Wang	40									
Executive Dir.	0	X		X				21,174.	0.	0.
(11) Stephanie Ellis	40									
Interim E.D.	0			X				37,884.	0.	0.
(12)										
(13)										
(14)										

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

(A) Name and title	(B) Average hours per week (list any hours for related organiza - tions below dotted line)	(C) Position (do not check more than one box, unless person is both an officer and a director/trustee)						(D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W-2/1099-MISC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W-2/1099-MISC)	(F) Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations
		Individual trustee or director	Institutional trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former			
(15)										
(16)										
(17)										
(18)										
(19)										
(20)										
(21)										
(22)										
(23)										
(24)										
(25)										
1 b Sub-total ►								72,552.	0.	0.
c Total from continuation sheets to Part VII, Section A ►								0.	0.	0.
d Total (add lines 1b and 1c) ►								72,552.	0.	0.

2 Total number of individuals (including but not limited to those listed above) who received more than $100,000 of reportable compensation from the organization ► 0

		Yes	No
3 Did the organization list any **former** officer, director, or trustee, key employee, or highest compensated employee on line 1a? *If 'Yes,' complete Schedule J for such individual*	3		X
4 For any individual listed on line 1a, is the sum of reportable compensation and other compensation from the organization and related organizations greater than $150,000? *If 'Yes' complete Schedule J for such individual*	4		X
5 Did any person listed on line 1a receive or accrue compensation from any unrelated organization or individual for services rendered to the organization? *If 'Yes,' complete Schedule J for such person*	5		X

Section B. Independent Contractors

1 Complete this table for your five highest compensated independent contractors that received more than $100,000 of compensation from the organization. Report compensation for the calendar year ending with or within the organization's tax year.

(A) Name and business address	(B) Description of services	(C) Compensation

2 Total number of independent contractors (including but not limited to those listed above) who received more than $100,000 of compensation from the organization ► 0

Part VIII Statement of Revenue

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

			(A) Total revenue	(B) Related or exempt function revenue	(C) Unrelated business revenue	(D) Revenue excluded from tax under sections 512-514
Contributions, Gifts, Grants and Other Similar Amounts	1a Federated campaigns	1a				
	b Membership dues	1b	32,804.			
	c Fundraising events	1c				
	d Related organizations	1d				
	e Government grants (contributions)	1e	335,915.			
	f All other contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts not included above	1f	111,485.			
	g Noncash contributions included in lines 1a-1f: $		46,205.			
	h Total. Add lines 1a-1f		480,204.			
Program Service Revenue		Business Code				
	2a Program fees		259,322.	259,322.		
	b					
	c					
	d					
	e					
	f All other program service revenue					
	g Total. Add lines 2a-2f		259,322.			
	3 Investment income (including dividends, interest and other similar amounts)		6.			6.
	4 Income from investment of tax-exempt bond proceeds					
	5 Royalties					
		(i) Real	(ii) Personal			
	6a Gross rents					
	b Less: rental expenses					
	c Rental income or (loss)					
	d Net rental income or (loss)					
		(i) Securities	(ii) Other			
	7a Gross amount from sales of assets other than inventory					
	b Less: cost or other basis and sales expenses					
	c Gain or (loss)					
	d Net gain or (loss)					
Other Revenue	8a Gross income from fundraising events (not including $ _____ of contributions reported on line 1c). See Part IV, line 18 a					
	b Less: direct expenses b					
	c Net income or (loss) from fundraising events					
	9a Gross income from gaming activities. See Part IV, line 19 a					
	b Less: direct expenses b					
	c Net income or (loss) from gaming activities					
	10a Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances a					
	b Less: cost of goods sold b					
	c Net income or (loss) from sales of inventory					
	Miscellaneous Revenue	Business Code				
	11a Miscellaneous		168.			168.
	b					
	c					
	d All other revenue					
	e Total. Add lines 11a-11d		168.			
	12 Total revenue. See instructions		739,700.	259,322.	0.	174.

Part IX Statement of Functional Expenses

Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations must complete all columns. All other organizations must complete column (A).

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

Do not include amounts reported on lines 6b, 7b, 8b, 9b, and 10b of Part VIII.	(A) Total expenses	(B) Program service expenses	(C) Management and general expenses	(D) Fundraising expenses
1 Grants and other assistance to domestic organizations and domestic governments. See Part IV, line 21				
2 Grants and other assistance to domestic individuals. See Part IV, line 22	14,000.	14,000.		
3 Grants and other assistance to foreign organizations, foreign governments, and foreign individuals. See Part IV, lines 15 and 16				
4 Benefits paid to or for members				
5 Compensation of current officers, directors, trustees, and key employees	73,232.	65,909.	5,126.	2,197.
6 Compensation not included above, to disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)) and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B)	0.	0.	0.	0.
7 Other salaries and wages	393,591.	357,494.	23,613.	12,484.
8 Pension plan accruals and contributions (include section 401(k) and 403(b) employer contributions)				
9 Other employee benefits	27,177.	24,770.	225.	2,182.
10 Payroll taxes	46,364.	42,008.	3,097.	1,259.
11 Fees for services (non-employees):				
a Management				
b Legal	75.		75.	
c Accounting	6,300.		6,300.	
d Lobbying				
e Professional fundraising services. See Part IV, line 17				
f Investment management fees				
g Other. (If line 11g amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A) amount, list line 11g expenses on Schedule O.)	28,993.	22,217.	4,380.	2,396.
12 Advertising and promotion				
13 Office expenses	91,942.	72,373.	6,217.	13,352.
14 Information technology	12,274.	10,657.	868.	749.
15 Royalties				
16 Occupancy	9,826.	8,977.	570.	279.
17 Travel	30,835.	26,345.	1,737.	2,753.
18 Payments of travel or entertainment expenses for any federal, state, or local public officials				
19 Conferences, conventions, and meetings	2,388.	1,324.	764.	300.
20 Interest				
21 Payments to affiliates				
22 Depreciation, depletion, and amortization	4,623.	4,389.	157.	77.
23 Insurance	6,427.	184.	6,243.	
24 Other expenses. Itemize expenses not covered above (List miscellaneous expenses in line 24e. If line 24e amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A) amount, list line 24e expenses on Schedule O.)				
a Dues, license and service fees	2,170.	1,590.	566.	14.
b Staff development	1,320.	360.	960.	
c Publications	465.	269.	195.	1.
d Miscellaneous	350.		350.	
e All other expenses				
25 Total functional expenses. Add lines 1 through 24e	752,352.	652,866.	61,443.	38,043.
26 **Joint costs.** Complete this line only if the organization reported in column (B) joint costs from a combined educational campaign and fundraising solicitation. Check here ► ☐ if following SOP 98-2 (ASC 958-720)				

Part X Balance Sheet

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

			(A) Beginning of year		(B) End of year
Assets	1	Cash – non-interest-bearing	71,218.	1	78,863.
	2	Savings and temporary cash investments	18,382.	2	12,297.
	3	Pledges and grants receivable, net	25,538.	3	17,067.
	4	Accounts receivable, net	57,718.	4	96,849.
	5	Loans and other receivables from current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, and highest compensated employees. Complete Part II of Schedule L		5	
	6	Loans and other receivables from other disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)), persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B), and contributing employers and sponsoring organizations of section 501(c)(9) voluntary employees' beneficiary organizations (see instructions). Complete Part II of Schedule L		6	
	7	Notes and loans receivable, net		7	
	8	Inventories for sale or use		8	
	9	Prepaid expenses and deferred charges	13,410.	9	16,937.
	10a	Land, buildings, and equipment: cost or other basis. Complete Part VI of Schedule D — 10a: 85,496.			
	b	Less: accumulated depreciation — 10b: 67,451.	12,617.	10c	18,045.
	11	Investments – publicly traded securities		11	
	12	Investments – other securities. See Part IV, line 11		12	
	13	Investments – program-related. See Part IV, line 11		13	
	14	Intangible assets		14	
	15	Other assets. See Part IV, line 11	2,135.	15	2,518.
	16	**Total assets.** Add lines 1 through 15 (must equal line 34)	201,018.	16	242,576.
Liabilities	17	Accounts payable and accrued expenses	29,757.	17	65,613.
	18	Grants payable		18	
	19	Deferred revenue		19	18,354.
	20	Tax-exempt bond liabilities		20	
	21	Escrow or custodial account liability. Complete Part IV of Schedule D		21	
	22	Loans and other payables to current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, highest compensated employees, and disqualified persons. Complete Part II of Schedule L		22	
	23	Secured mortgages and notes payable to unrelated third parties		23	
	24	Unsecured notes and loans payable to unrelated third parties		24	
	25	Other liabilities (including federal income tax, payables to related third parties, and other liabilities not included on lines 17-24). Complete Part X of Schedule D		25	
	26	**Total liabilities.** Add lines 17 through 25	29,757.	26	83,967.
Net Assets or Fund Balances		**Organizations that follow SFAS 117 (ASC 958), check here ► [X] and complete lines 27 through 29, and lines 33 and 34.**			
	27	Unrestricted net assets	169,261.	27	158,609.
	28	Temporarily restricted net assets	2,000.	28	
	29	Permanently restricted net assets		29	
		Organizations that do not follow SFAS 117 (ASC 958), check here ► [ ] and complete lines 30 through 34.			
	30	Capital stock or trust principal, or current funds		30	
	31	Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, building, or equipment fund		31	
	32	Retained earnings, endowment, accumulated income, or other funds		32	
	33	Total net assets or fund balances	171,261.	33	158,609.
	34	Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances	201,018.	34	242,576.

Part XI Reconciliation of Net Assets

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

1	Total revenue (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	1	739,700.
2	Total expenses (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	2	752,352.
3	Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 2 from line 1	3	-12,652.
4	Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (must equal Part X, line 33, column (A))	4	171,261.
5	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	5	
6	Donated services and use of facilities	6	
7	Investment expenses	7	
8	Prior period adjustments	8	
9	Other changes in net assets or fund balances (explain in Schedule O)	9	0.
10	Net assets or fund balances at end of year. Combine lines 3 through 9 (must equal Part X, line 33, column (B))	10	158,609.

Part XII Financial Statements and Reporting

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

			Yes	No
1	Accounting method used to prepare the Form 990: ☐ Cash ☒ Accrual ☐ Other _____			
	If the organization changed its method of accounting from a prior year or checked 'Other,' explain in Schedule O.			
2a	Were the organization's financial statements compiled or reviewed by an independent accountant?	2a	X	
	If 'Yes,' check a box below to indicate whether the financial statements for the year were compiled or reviewed on a separate basis, consolidated basis, or both: ☒ Separate basis ☐ Consolidated basis ☐ Both consolidated and separate basis			
b	Were the organization's financial statements audited by an independent accountant?	2b		X
	If 'Yes,' check a box below to indicate whether the financial statements for the year were audited on a separate basis, consolidated basis, or both: ☐ Separate basis ☐ Consolidated basis ☐ Both consolidated and separate basis			
c	If 'Yes' to line 2a or 2b, does the organization have a committee that assumes responsibility for oversight of the audit, review, or compilation of its financial statements and selection of an independent accountant?	2c		X
	If the organization changed either its oversight process or selection process during the tax year, explain in Schedule O.			
3a	As a result of a federal award, was the organization required to undergo an audit or audits as set forth in the Single Audit Act and OMB Circular A-133?	3a		X
b	If 'Yes,' did the organization undergo the required audit or audits? If the organization did not undergo the required audit or audits, explain why in Schedule O and describe any steps taken to undergo such audits	3b		

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.**

► **Information about Schedule A (Form 990 or 990-EZ) and its instructions is at *www.irs.gov/form990.***

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Open to Public Inspection

Name of the organization	Employer identification number
San Francisco Bay Bird Observatory	94-2788588

Part I Reason for Public Charity Status (All organizations must complete this part.) See instructions.

The organization is not a private foundation because it is: (For lines 1 through 11, check only one box.)

1 ☐ A church, convention of churches, or association of churches described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(i).**

2 ☐ A school described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii).** (Attach Schedule E (Form 990 or 990-EZ).)

3 ☐ A hospital or a cooperative hospital service organization described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii).**

4 ☐ 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:

5 ☐ 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.)

6 ☐ A federal, state, or local government or governmental unit described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(v).**

7 ☒ 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.)

8 ☐ A community trust described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi).** (Complete Part II.)

9 ☐ An organization that normally receives: (1) more than 33-1/3% of its support from contributions, membership fees, and gross receipts from activities related to its exempt functions – subject to certain exceptions, and (2) no more than 33-1/3% 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.)

10 ☐ An organization organized and operated exclusively to test for public safety. See **section 509(a)(4).**

11 ☐ 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 11a through 11d that describes the type of supporting organization and complete lines 11e, 11f, and 11g.

a ☐ **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.**

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.**

d ☐ **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.**

e ☐ Check this box if the organization received a written determination from the IRS that it is a Type I, Type II, Type III functionally integrated, or Type III non-functionally integrated supporting organization.

f Enter the number of supported organizations .....

g Provide the following information about the supported organization(s).

(i) Name of supported organization	(ii) EIN	(iii) Type of organization (described on lines 1-9 above (see instructions))	(iv) Is the organization listed in your governing document? Yes	(iv) No	(v) Amount of monetary support (see instructions)	(vi) Amount of other support (see instructions)
(A)						
(B)						
(C)						
(D)						
(E)						
Total						

Part II Support Schedule for Organizations Described in Sections 170(b)(1)(A)(iv) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi)

(Complete only if you checked the box on line 5, 7, or 8 of Part I or if the organization failed to qualify under Part III. If the organization fails to qualify under the tests listed below, please complete Part III.)

Section A. Public Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ►	(a) 2011	(b) 2012	(c) 2013	(d) 2014	(e) 2015	(f) Total
1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received. (Do not include any 'unusual grants.')	447,183.	398,553.	376,037.	442,728.	480,204.	2,144,705.
2 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf						0.
3 The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge						0.
4 **Total.** Add lines 1 through 3	447,183.	398,553.	376,037.	442,728.	480,204.	2,144,705.
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)						0.
6 **Public support.** Subtract line 5 from line 4						2,144,705.

Section B. Total Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ►	(a) 2011	(b) 2012	(c) 2013	(d) 2014	(e) 2015	(f) Total
7 Amounts from line 4	447,183.	398,553.	376,037.	442,728.	480,204.	2,144,705.
8 Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources	134.	38.	20.	7.	6.	205.
9 Net income from unrelated business activities, whether or not the business is regularly carried on						0.
10 Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part VI.) See Part VI	3,167.	143.	2,306.		168.	5,784.
11 **Total support.** Add lines 7 through 10						2,150,694.

12 Gross receipts from related activities, etc. (see instructions) 12 787,179.

13 **First five years.** If the Form 990 is for the organization's first, second, third, fourth, or fifth tax year as a section 501(c)(3) organization, check this box and **stop here** ► ☐

Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage

14 Public support percentage for 2015 (line 6, column (f) divided by line 11, column (f))	14	99.72 %
15 Public support percentage from 2014 Schedule A, Part II, line 14	15	99.48 %

16a **33-1/3% support test – 2015.** If the organization did not check the box on line 13, and line 14 is 33-1/3% or more, check this box and **stop here.** The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization ► ☒

b **33-1/3% support test – 2014.** If the organization did not check a box on line 13 or 16a, and line 15 is 33-1/3% or more, check this box and **stop here.** The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization ► ☐

17a **10%-facts-and-circumstances test – 2015.** If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, or 16b, and line 14 is 10% or more, and if the organization meets the 'facts-and-circumstances' test, check this box and **stop here.** Explain in Part VI how the organization meets the 'facts-and-circumstances' test. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization ► ☐

b **10%-facts-and-circumstances test – 2014.** If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, 16b, or 17a, and line 15 is 10% or more, and if the organization meets the 'facts-and-circumstances' test, check this box and **stop here.** Explain in Part VI how the organization meets the 'facts-and-circumstances' test. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization ► ☐

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

Part III Support Schedule for Organizations Described in Section 509(a)(2)

(Complete only if you checked the box on line 9 of Part I or if the organization failed to qualify under Part II. If the organization fails to qualify under the tests listed below, please complete Part II.)

Section A. Public Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ►	(a) 2011	(b) 2012	(c) 2013	(d) 2014	(e) 2015	(f) Total
1 Gifts, grants, contributions and membership fees received. (Do not include any 'unusual grants.')						
2 Gross receipts from admissions, merchandise sold or services performed, or facilities furnished in any activity that is related to the organization's tax-exempt purpose						
3 Gross receipts from activities that are not an unrelated trade or business under section 513						
4 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf						
5 The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge						
6 **Total.** Add lines 1 through 5						
7a Amounts included on lines 1, 2, and 3 received from disqualified persons						
b Amounts included on lines 2 and 3 received from other than disqualified persons that exceed the greater of $5,000 or 1% of the amount on line 13 for the year						
c Add lines 7a and 7b						
8 **Public support.** (Subtract line 7c from line 6.)						

Section B. Total Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ►	(a) 2011	(b) 2012	(c) 2013	(d) 2014	(e) 2015	(f) Total
9 Amounts from line 6						
10a Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources						
b Unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 taxes) from businesses acquired after June 30, 1975						
c Add lines 10a and 10b						
11 Net income from unrelated business activities not included in line 10b, whether or not the business is regularly carried on						
12 **Other income.** Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part VI.)						
13 **Total support.** (Add lines 9, 10c, 11, and 12.)						

14 **First five years.** If the Form 990 is for the organization's first, second, third, fourth, or fifth tax year as a section 501(c)(3) organization, check this box and **stop here** ► ☐

Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage

15 Public support percentage for 2015 (line 8, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f))	15	%
16 Public support percentage from 2014 Schedule A, Part III, line 15	16	%

Section D. Computation of Investment Income Percentage

17 Investment income percentage for **2015** (line 10c, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f))	17	%
18 Investment income percentage from **2014** Schedule A, Part III, line 17	18	%

19a **33-1/3% support tests – 2015.** If the organization did not check the box on line 14, and line 15 is more than 33-1/3%, and line 17 is not more than 33-1/3%, check this box and **stop here.** The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization ► ☐

b **33-1/3% support tests – 2014.** If the organization did not check a box on line 14 or line 19a, and line 16 is more than 33-1/3%, and line 18 is not more than 33-1/3%, check this box and **stop here.** The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization ► ☐

20 **Private foundation.** If the organization did not check a box on line 14, 19a, or 19b, check this box and see instructions ► ☐

Part IV Supporting Organizations

(Complete only if you checked a box in line 11 on Part I. If you checked 11a of Part I, complete Sections A and B. If you checked 11b of Part I, complete Sections A and C. If you checked 11c of Part I, complete Sections A, D, and E. If you checked 11d of Part I, complete Sections A and D, and complete Part V.)

Section A. All Supporting Organizations

		Yes	No
1	Are all of the organization's supported organizations listed by name in the organization's governing documents? *If 'No,' describe in* **Part VI** *how the supported organizations are designated. If designated by class or purpose, describe the designation. If historic and continuing relationship, explain*	1		
2	Did the organization have any supported organization that does not have an IRS determination of status under section 509(a)(1) or (2)? *If 'Yes,' explain in* **Part VI** *how the organization determined that the supported organization was described in section 509(a)(1) or (2)*	2		
3a	Did the organization have a supported organization described in section 501(c)(4), (5), or (6)? *If 'Yes,' answer (b) and (c) below*	3a		
b	Did the organization confirm that each supported organization qualified under section 501(c)(4), (5), or (6) and satisfied the public support tests under section 509(a)(2)? *If 'Yes,' describe in* **Part VI** *when and how the organization made the determination*	3b		
c	Did the organization ensure that all support to such organizations was used exclusively for section 170(c)(2)(B) purposes? *If 'Yes,' explain in* **Part VI** *what controls the organization put in place to ensure such use*	3c		
4a	Was any supported organization not organized in the United States ('foreign supported organization')? *If 'Yes' and if you checked 11a or 11b in Part I, answer (b) and (c) below*	4a		
b	Did the organization have ultimate control and discretion in deciding whether to make grants to the foreign supported organization? *If 'Yes,' describe in* **Part VI** *how the organization had such control and discretion despite being controlled or supervised by or in connection with its supported organizations*	4b		
c	Did the organization support any foreign supported organization that does not have an IRS determination under sections 501(c)(3) and 509(a)(1) or (2)? *If 'Yes,' explain in* **Part VI** *what controls the organization used to ensure that all support to the foreign supported organization was used exclusively for section 170(c)(2)(B) purposes*	4c		
5a	Did the organization add, substitute, or remove any supported organizations during the tax year? *If 'Yes,' answer (b) and (c) below (if applicable). Also, provide detail in* **Part VI,** *including (i) the names and EIN numbers of the supported organizations added, substituted, or removed; (ii) the reasons for each such action; (iii) the authority under the organization's organizing document authorizing such action; and (iv) how the action was accomplished (such as by amendment to the organizing document)*	5a		
b	**Type I or Type II only.** Was any added or substituted supported organization part of a class already designated in the organization's organizing document?	5b		
c	**Substitutions only.** Was the substitution the result of an event beyond the organization's control?	5c		
6	Did the organization provide support (whether in the form of grants or the provision of services or facilities) to anyone other than (i) its supported organizations, (ii) individuals that are part of the charitable class benefited by one or more of its supported organizations, or (iii) other supporting organizations that also support or benefit one or more of the filing organization's supported organizations? *If 'Yes,' provide detail in* **Part VI.**	6		
7	Did the organization provide a grant, loan, compensation, or other similar payment to a substantial contributor (defined in section 4958(c)(3)(C)), a family member of a substantial contributor, or a 35% controlled entity with regard to a substantial contributor? *If 'Yes,' complete Part I of Schedule L (Form 990 or 990-EZ)*	7		
8	Did the organization make a loan to a disqualified person (as defined in section 4958) not described in line 7? *If 'Yes,' complete Part I of Schedule L (Form 990 or 990-EZ)*	8		
9a	Was the organization controlled directly or indirectly at any time during the tax year by one or more disqualified persons as defined in section 4946 (other than foundation managers and organizations described in section 509(a)(1) or (2))? *If 'Yes,' provide detail in* **Part VI**	9a		
b	Did one or more disqualified persons (as defined in line 9a) hold a controlling interest in any entity in which the supporting organization had an interest? *If 'Yes,' provide detail in* **Part VI**	9b		
c	Did a disqualified person (as defined in line 9a) have an ownership interest in, or derive any personal benefit from, assets in which the supporting organization also had an interest? *If 'Yes,' provide detail in* **Part VI.**	9c		
10a	Was the organization subject to the excess business holdings rules of section 4943 because of section 4943(f) (regarding certain Type II supporting organizations, and all Type III non-functionally integrated supporting organizations)? *If 'Yes,' answer 10b below*	10a		
b	Did the organization, have any excess business holdings in the tax year? *(Use Schedule C, Form 4720, to determine whether the organization had excess business holdings.)*	10b		

Part IV Supporting Organizations *(continued)*

		Yes	No
11 Has the organization accepted a gift or contribution from any of the following persons?			
a A person who directly or indirectly controls, either alone or together with persons described in (b) and (c) below, the governing body of a supported organization?	11a		
b A family member of a person described in (a) above?	11b		
c A 35% controlled entity of a person described in (a) or (b) above? *If 'Yes' to a, b, or c, provide detail in* ***Part VI***	11c		

Section B. Type I Supporting Organizations

		Yes	No
1 Did the directors, trustees, or membership of one or more supported organizations have the power to regularly appoint or elect at least a majority of the organization's directors or trustees at all times during the tax year? *If 'No,' describe in* ***Part VI*** *how the supported organization(s) effectively operated, supervised, or controlled the organization's activities. If the organization had more than one supported organization, describe how the powers to appoint and/or remove directors or trustees were allocated among the supported organizations and what conditions or restrictions, if any, applied to such powers during the tax year.*	1		
2 Did the organization operate for the benefit of any supported organization other than the supported organization(s) that operated, supervised, or controlled the supporting organization? *If 'Yes,' explain in* ***Part VI*** *how providing such benefit carried out the purposes of the supported organization(s) that operated, supervised, or controlled the supporting organization.*	2		

Section C. Type II Supporting Organizations

		Yes	No
1 Were a majority of the organization's directors or trustees during the tax year also a majority of the directors or trustees of each of the organization's supported organization(s)? *If 'No,' describe in* ***Part VI*** *how control or management of the supporting organization was vested in the same persons that controlled or managed the supported organization(s).*	1		

Section D. All Type III Supporting Organizations

		Yes	No
1 Did the organization provide to each of its supported organizations, by the last day of the fifth month of the organization's tax year, (i) a written notice describing the type and amount of support provided during the prior tax year, (ii) a copy of the Form 990 that was most recently filed as of the date of notification, and (iii) copies of the organization's governing documents in effect on the date of notification, to the extent not previously provided?	1		
2 Were any of the organization's officers, directors, or trustees either (i) appointed or elected by the supported organization(s) or (ii) serving on the governing body of a supported organization? *If 'No,' explain in* ***Part VI*** *how the organization maintained a close and continuous working relationship with the supported organization(s).*	2		
3 By reason of the relationship described in (2), did the organization's supported organizations have a significant voice in the organization's investment policies and in directing the use of the organization's income or assets at all times during the tax year? *If 'Yes,' describe in* ***Part VI*** *the role the organization's supported organizations played in this regard.*	3		

Section E. Type III Functionally-Integrated Supporting Organizations

1 *Check the box next to the method that the organization used to satisfy the Integral Part Test during the year* ***(see instructions):***

- **a** ☐ The organization satisfied the Activities Test. *Complete* ***line 2*** *below.*
- **b** ☐ The organization is the parent of each of its supported organizations. *Complete* ***line 3*** *below.*
- **c** ☐ The organization supported a governmental entity. *Describe in Part VI how you supported a government entity (see instructions).*

2 Activities Test. ***Answer (a) and (b) below.***		Yes	No
a Did substantially all of the organization's activities during the tax year directly further the exempt purposes of the supported organization(s) to which the organization was responsive? *If 'Yes,' then in* ***Part VI identify those supported organizations and explain*** *how these activities directly furthered their exempt purposes, how the organization was responsive to those supported organizations, and how the organization determined that these activities constituted substantially all of its activities.*	2a		
b Did the activities described in (a) constitute activities that, but for the organization's involvement, one or more of the organization's supported organization(s) would have been engaged in? *If 'Yes,' explain in* ***Part VI*** *the reasons for the organization's position that its supported organization(s) would have engaged in these activities but for the organization's involvement.*	2b		
3 Parent of Supported Organizations. ***Answer (a) and (b) below.***			
a Did the organization have the power to regularly appoint or elect a majority of the officers, directors, or trustees of each of the supported organizations? *Provide details in* ***Part VI.***	3a		
b Did the organization exercise a substantial degree of direction over the policies, programs, and activities of each of its supported organizations? *If 'Yes,' describe in* ***Part VI*** *the role played by the organization in this regard.*	3b		

Part V Type III Non-Functionally Integrated 509(a)(3) Supporting Organizations

1 ☐ Check here if the organization satisfied the Integral Part Test as a qualifying trust on November 20, 1970. **See instructions.** All other Type III non-functionally integrated supporting organizations must complete Sections A through E.

Section A – Adjusted Net Income

			(A) Prior Year	(B) Current Year (optional)
1	Net short-term capital gain	1		
2	Recoveries of prior-year distributions	2		
3	Other gross income (see instructions)	3		
4	Add lines 1 through 3	4		
5	Depreciation and depletion	5		
6	Portion of operating expenses paid or incurred for production or collection of gross income or for management, conservation, or maintenance of property held for production of income (see instructions)	6		
7	Other expenses (see instructions)	7		
8	**Adjusted Net Income** (subtract lines 5, 6 and 7 from line 4)	8		

Section B – Minimum Asset Amount

			(A) Prior Year	(B) Current Year (optional)
1	Aggregate fair market value of all non-exempt-use assets (see instructions for short tax year or assets held for part of year):			
a	Average monthly value of securities	1a		
b	Average monthly cash balances	1b		
c	Fair market value of other non-exempt-use assets	1c		
d	**Total** (add lines 1a, 1b, and 1c)	1d		
e	**Discount** claimed for blockage or other factors (explain in detail in **Part VI**):			
2	Acquisition indebtedness applicable to non-exempt-use assets	2		
3	Subtract line 2 from line 1d	3		
4	Cash deemed held for exempt use. Enter 1-1/2% of line 3 (for greater amount, see instructions)	4		
5	Net value of non-exempt-use assets (subtract line 4 from line 3)	5		
6	Multiply line 5 by .035	6		
7	Recoveries of prior-year distributions	7		
8	**Minimum Asset Amount** (add line 7 to line 6)	8		

Section C – Distributable Amount

				Current Year
1	Adjusted net income for prior year (from Section A, line 8, Column A)	1		
2	Enter 85% of line 1	2		
3	Minimum asset amount for prior year (from Section B, line 8, Column A)	3		
4	Enter greater of line 2 or line 3	4		
5	Income tax imposed in prior year	5		
6	**Distributable Amount.** Subtract line 5 from line 4, unless subject to emergency temporary reduction (see instructions)	6		

7 ☐ Check here if the current year is the organization's first as a non-functionally-integrated Type III supporting organization (see instructions).

Part V Type III Non-Functionally Integrated 509(a)(3) Supporting Organizations *(continued)*

Section D – Distributions	**Current Year**
1 Amounts paid to supported organizations to accomplish exempt purposes	
2 Amounts paid to perform activity that directly furthers exempt purposes of supported organizations, in excess of income from activity	
3 Administrative expenses paid to accomplish exempt purposes of supported organizations	
4 Amounts paid to acquire exempt-use assets	
5 Qualified set-aside amounts (prior IRS approval required)	
6 Other distributions (describe in **Part VI**). See instructions	
7 **Total annual distributions.** Add lines 1 through 6	
8 Distributions to attentive supported organizations to which the organization is responsive (provide details in **Part VI**). See instructions	
9 Distributable amount for 2015 from Section C, line 6	
10 Line 8 amount divided by Line 9 amount	

Section E – Distribution Allocations (see instructions)	**(i) Excess Distributions**	**(ii) Underdistributions Pre-2015**	**(iii) Distributable Amount for 2015**
1 Distributable amount for 2015 from Section C, line 6			
2 Underdistributions, if any, for years prior to 2015 (reasonable cause required – see instructions)			
3 Excess distributions carryover, if any, to 2015:			
a			
b			
c			
d From 2013			
e From 2014			
f **Total** of lines 3a through e			
g Applied to underdistributions of prior years			
h Applied to 2015 distributable amount			
i Carryover from 2010 not applied (see instructions)			
j Remainder. Subtract lines 3g, 3h, and 3i from 3f			
4 Distributions for 2015 from Section D, line 7: $			
a Applied to underdistributions of prior years			
b Applied to 2015 distributable amount			
c Remainder. Subtract lines 4a and 4b from 4			
5 Remaining underdistributions for years prior to 2015, if any. Subtract lines 3g and 4a from line 2 (if amount greater than zero, see instructions)			
6 Remaining underdistributions for 2015. Subtract lines 3h and 4b from line 1 (if amount greater than zero, see instructions)			
7 **Excess distributions carryover to 2016.** Add lines 3j and 4c			
8 Breakdown of line 7:			
a			
b			
c Excess from 2013			
d Excess from 2014			
e Excess from 2015			

Part VI **Supplemental Information.** Provide the explanations required by Part II, line 10; Part II, line 17a or 17b;Part III, line 12; Part IV, Section A, lines 1, 2, 3b, 3c, 4b, 4c, 5a, 6, 9a, 9b, 9c, 11a, 11b, and 11c; Part IV, Section B, lines 1 and 2; Part IV, Section C, line 1; Part IV, Section D, lines 2 and 3; Part IV, Section E, lines 1c, 2a, 2b, 3a and 3b; Part V, line 1; Part V, Section B, line 1e; Part V, Section D, lines 5, 6, and 8; and Part V, Section E, lines 2, 5, and 6. Also complete this part for any additional information. (See instructions.)

Part II, Line 10 - Other Income

Nature and Source	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011
Miscellaneous	$ 168.		$ 2,306.	$ 143.	$ 3,167.
Total	$ 168.	$ 0.	$ 2,306.	$ 143.	$ 3,167.

Schedule B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

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Schedule of Contributors

► Attach to Form 990, Form 990-EZ, or Form 990-PF.
► Information about Schedule B (Form 990, 990-EZ, 990-PF) and its instructions is at *www.irs.gov/form990.*

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Name of the organization	Employer identification number
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Organization type (check one):

Filers of:	Section:
Form 990 or 990-EZ	[X] 501(c)(3) (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 foundation

Check 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

[X] 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. Do not 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 is not covered by the General Rule and/or the Special Rules does not 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 does not meet the filing requirements of Schedule B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF).

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Part I Contributors (see instructions). Use duplicate copies of Part I if additional space is needed.

(a) Number	(b) Name, address, and ZIP + 4	(c) Total contributions	(d) Type of contribution
1		$ 158,999.	Person [X] Payroll [ ] Noncash [ ] (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
2		$ 18,623.	Person [X] Payroll [ ] Noncash [ ] (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
3		$ 24,000.	Person [X] Payroll [ ] Noncash [ ] (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
4		$ 27,490.	Person [X] Payroll [ ] Noncash [ ] (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
5		$ 60,948.	Person [X] Payroll [ ] Noncash [ ] (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
6		$ 40,861.	Person [X] Payroll [ ] Noncash [ ] (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)

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Part I Contributors (see instructions). Use duplicate copies of Part I if additional space is needed.

(a) Number	(b) Name, address, and ZIP + 4	(c) Total contributions	(d) Type of contribution
7		$ 38,900.	Person ☐ Payroll ☐ Noncash ☒ (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
(a) Number	(b) Name, address, and ZIP + 4	(c) Total contributions	(d) Type of contribution
		$	Person ☐ Payroll ☐ Noncash ☐ (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
(a) Number	(b) Name, address, and ZIP + 4	(c) Total contributions	(d) Type of contribution
		$	Person ☐ Payroll ☐ Noncash ☐ (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
(a) Number	(b) Name, address, and ZIP + 4	(c) Total contributions	(d) Type of contribution
		$	Person ☐ Payroll ☐ Noncash ☐ (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
(a) Number	(b) Name, address, and ZIP + 4	(c) Total contributions	(d) Type of contribution
		$	Person ☐ Payroll ☐ Noncash ☐ (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
(a) Number	(b) Name, address, and ZIP + 4	(c) Total contributions	(d) Type of contribution
		$	Person ☐ Payroll ☐ Noncash ☐ (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)

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Part II Noncash Property (see instructions). Use duplicate copies of Part II if additional space is needed.

(a) No. from Part I	(b) Description of noncash property given	(c) FMV (or estimate) (see instructions)	(d) Date received
7	3 software licenses	$ 38,900.	9/02/15

(a) No. from Part I	(b) Description of noncash property given	(c) FMV (or estimate) (see instructions)	(d) Date received
		$	

(a) No. from Part I	(b) Description of noncash property given	(c) FMV (or estimate) (see instructions)	(d) Date received
		$	

(a) No. from Part I	(b) Description of noncash property given	(c) FMV (or estimate) (see instructions)	(d) Date received
		$	

(a) No. from Part I	(b) Description of noncash property given	(c) FMV (or estimate) (see instructions)	(d) Date received
		$	

(a) No. from Part I	(b) Description of noncash property given	(c) FMV (or estimate) (see instructions)	(d) Date received
		$	

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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 information once. See instructions.) ► $ N/A

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
	N/A		

(e) Transfer of gift	
Transferee's name, address, and ZIP + 4	Relationship of transferor to transferee

(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

(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

(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

SCHEDULE D (Form 990)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Supplemental Financial Statements

► Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' on Form 990, Part IV, line 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11a, 11b, 11c, 11d, 11e, 11f, 12a, or 12b.
► Attach to Form 990.
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Part I Organizations Maintaining Donor Advised Funds or Other Similar Funds or Accounts.

Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' on Form 990, Part IV, line 6.

	(a) Donor advised funds	(b) Funds and other accounts
1 Total number at end of year		
2 Aggregate value of contributions to (during year)		
3 Aggregate value of grants from (during year)		
4 Aggregate value at end of year		

5 Did the organization inform all donors and donor advisors in writing that the assets held in donor advised funds are the organization's property, subject to the organization's exclusive legal control? ☐ Yes ☐ No

6 Did the organization inform all grantees, donors, and donor advisors in writing that grant funds can be used only for charitable purposes and not for the benefit of the donor or donor advisor, or for any other purpose conferring impermissible private benefit? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Part II Conservation Easements.

Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' on Form 990, Part IV, line 7.

1 Purpose(s) of conservation easements held by the organization (check all that apply).

☐ Preservation of land for public use (e.g., recreation or education)
☐ Protection of natural habitat
☐ Preservation of open space
☐ Preservation of a historically important land area
☐ Preservation of a certified historic structure

2 Complete lines 2a through 2d if the organization held a qualified conservation contribution in the form of a conservation easement on the last day of the tax year.

		Held at the End of the Tax Year
a Total number of conservation easements	2a	
b Total acreage restricted by conservation easements	2b	
c Number of conservation easements on a certified historic structure included in (a)	2c	
d Number of conservation easements included in (c) acquired after 8/17/06, and not on a historic structure listed in the National Register	2d	

3 Number of conservation easements modified, transferred, released, extinguished, or terminated by the organization during the tax year ►

4 Number of states where property subject to conservation easement is located ►

5 Does the organization have a written policy regarding the periodic monitoring, inspection, handling of violations, and enforcement of the conservation easements it holds? ☐ Yes ☐ No

6 Staff and volunteer hours devoted to monitoring, inspecting, handling of violations, and enforcing conservation easements during the year ►

7 Amount of expenses incurred in monitoring, inspecting, handling of violations, and enforcing conservation easements during the year ►$

8 Does each conservation easement reported on line 2(d) above satisfy the requirements of section 170(h)(4)(B)(i) and section 170(h)(4)(B)(ii)? ☐ Yes ☐ No

9 In Part XIII, describe how the organization reports conservation easements in its revenue and expense statement, and balance sheet, and include, if applicable, the text of the footnote to the organization's financial statements that describes the organization's accounting for conservation easements.

Part III Organizations Maintaining Collections of Art, Historical Treasures, or Other Similar Assets.

Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' on Form 990, Part IV, line 8.

1a If the organization elected, as permitted under SFAS 116 (ASC 958), not to report in its revenue statement and balance sheet works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets held for public exhibition, education, or research in furtherance of public service, provide, in Part XIII, the text of the footnote to its financial statements that describes these items.

b If the organization elected, as permitted under SFAS 116 (ASC 958), to report in its revenue statement and balance sheet works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets held for public exhibition, education, or research in furtherance of public service, provide the following amounts relating to these items:

(i) Revenue included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 1 ►$

(ii) Assets included in Form 990, Part X ►$

2 If the organization received or held works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets for financial gain, provide the following amounts required to be reported under SFAS 116 (ASC 958) relating to these items:

a Revenue included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 1 ►$

b Assets included in Form 990, Part X ►$

Part III Organizations Maintaining Collections of Art, Historical Treasures, or Other Similar Assets *(continued)*

3 Using the organization's acquisition, accession, and other records, check any of the following that are a significant use of its collection items (check all that apply):

a ☐ Public exhibition
b ☐ Scholarly research
c ☐ Preservation for future generations
d ☐ Loan or exchange programs
e ☐ Other _____

4 Provide a description of the organization's collections and explain how they further the organization's exempt purpose in Part XIII.

5 During the year, did the organization solicit or receive donations of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets to be sold to raise funds rather than to be maintained as part of the organization's collection? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Part IV Escrow and Custodial Arrangements. Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' on Form 990, Part IV, line 9, or reported an amount on Form 990, Part X, line 21.

1a Is the organization an agent, trustee, custodian or other intermediary for contributions or other assets not included on Form 990, Part X? ☐ Yes ☐ No

b If 'Yes,' explain the arrangement in Part XIII and complete the following table:

		Amount
c Beginning balance	1c	
d Additions during the year	1d	
e Distributions during the year	1e	
f Ending balance	1f	

2a Did the organization include an amount on Form 990, Part X, line 21, for escrow or custodial account liability? ☐ Yes ☐ No

b If 'Yes,' explain the arrangement in Part XIII. Check here if the explanation has been provided on Part XIII ☐

Part V Endowment Funds. Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' on Form 990, Part IV, line 10.

	(a) Current year	(b) Prior year	(c) Two years back	(d) Three years back	(e) Four years back
1a Beginning of year balance					
b Contributions					
c Net investment earnings, gains, and losses					
d Grants or scholarships					
e Other expenditures for facilities and programs					
f Administrative expenses					
g End of year balance					

2 Provide the estimated percentage of the current year end balance (line 1g, column (a)) held as:

a Board designated or quasi-endowment ► _____ %
b Permanent endowment ► _____ %
c Temporarily restricted endowment ► _____ %

The percentages on lines 2a, 2b, and 2c should equal 100%.

3a Are there endowment funds not in the possession of the organization that are held and administered for the organization by:

		Yes	No
(i) unrelated organizations	3a(i)		
(ii) related organizations	3a(ii)		
b If 'Yes' on line 3a(ii), are the related organizations listed as required on Schedule R?	3b		

4 Describe in Part XIII the intended uses of the organization's endowment funds.

Part VI Land, Buildings, and Equipment.

Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' on Form 990, Part IV, line 11a. See Form 990, Part X, line 10.

Description of property	(a) Cost or other basis (investment)	(b) Cost or other basis (other)	(c) Accumulated depreciation	(d) Book value
1a Land				
b Buildings				
c Leasehold improvements		7,900.	7,900.	0.
d Equipment		77,596.	59,551.	18,045.
e Other				
Total. Add lines 1a through 1e. *(Column (d) must equal Form 990, Part X, column (B), line 10c.)* ►				18,045.

Part VII Investments – Other Securities. N/A
Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' on Form 990, Part IV, line 11b. See Form 990, Part X, line 12.

(a) Description of security or category (including name of security)	(b) Book value	(c) Method of valuation: Cost or end-of-year market value
(1) Financial derivatives		
(2) Closely-held equity interests		
(3) Other		
(A)		
(B)		
(C)		
(D)		
(E)		
(F)		
(G)		
(H)		
(I)		
Total. *(Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, column (B) line 12.)* ►		

Part VIII Investments – Program Related. N/A
Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' on Form 990, Part IV, line 11c. See Form 990, Part X, line 13.

(a) Description of investment	(b) Book value	(c) Method of valuation: Cost or end-of-year market value
(1)		
(2)		
(3)		
(4)		
(5)		
(6)		
(7)		
(8)		
(9)		
(10)		
Total. *(Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, column (B) line 13.)* ►		

Part IX Other Assets. N/A
Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' on Form 990, Part IV, line 11d. See Form 990, Part X, line 15.

(a) Description	(b) Book value
(1)	
(2)	
(3)	
(4)	
(5)	
(6)	
(7)	
(8)	
(9)	
(10)	
Total. *(Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, column (B) line 15.)* ►	

Part X Other Liabilities.
Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' on Form 990, Part IV, line 11e or 11f. See Form 990, Part X, line 25

(a) Description of liability	(b) Book value
(1) Federal income taxes	
(2)	
(3)	
(4)	
(5)	
(6)	
(7)	
(8)	
(9)	
(10)	
(11)	
Total. *(Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, column (B) line 25.)* ►	

2. Liability for uncertain tax positions. In Part XIII, provide the text of the footnote to the organization's financial statements that reports the organization's liability for uncertain tax positions under FIN 48 (ASC 740). Check here if the text of the footnote has been provided in Part XIII. See Part XIII [X]

Part XI Reconciliation of Revenue per Audited Financial Statements With Revenue per Return. N/A
Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' on Form 990, Part IV, line 12a.

1	Total revenue, gains, and other support per audited financial statements			1	
2	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12:				
a	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	2a			
b	Donated services and use of facilities	2b			
c	Recoveries of prior year grants	2c			
d	Other (Describe in Part XIII.)	2d			
e	Add lines **2a** through **2d**			2e	
3	Subtract line **2e** from line **1**			3	
4	Amounts included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, but not on line 1:				
a	Investment expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b	4a			
b	Other (Describe in Part XIII.)	4b			
c	Add lines **4a** and **4b**			4c	
5	Total revenue. Add lines **3** and **4c.** *(This must equal Form 990, Part I, line 12.)*			5	

Part XII Reconciliation of Expenses per Audited Financial Statements With Expenses per Return. N/A
Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' on Form 990, Part IV, line 12a.

1	Total expenses and losses per audited financial statements			1	
2	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part IX, line 25:				
a	Donated services and use of facilities	2a			
b	Prior year adjustments	2b			
c	Other losses	2c			
d	Other (Describe in Part XIII.)	2d			
e	Add lines **2a** through **2d**			2e	
3	Subtract line **2e** from line **1**			3	
4	Amounts included on Form 990, Part IX, line 25, but not on line 1:				
a	Investment expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b	4a			
b	Other (Describe in Part XIII.)	4b			
c	Add lines **4a** and **4b**			4c	
5	Total expenses. Add lines **3** and **4c.** *(This must equal Form 990, Part I, line 18.)*			5	

Part XIII Supplemental Information.

Provide the descriptions required for Part II, lines 3, 5, and 9; Part III, lines 1a and 4; Part IV, lines 1b and 2b; Part V, line 4; Part X, line 2; Part XI, lines 2d and 4b; and Part XII, lines 2d and 4b. Also complete this part to provide any additional information.

Part X - FIN 48 Footnote

The Organization has evaluated its current tax positions as of December 31, 2015 and is not aware of any significant uncertain tax positions for which a reserve would be necessary.

SCHEDULE I (Form 990)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Grants and Other Assistance to Organizations, Governments, and Individuals in the United States

Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' on Form 990, Part IV, line 21 or 22.
► **Attach to Form 990.**
► **Information about Schedule I (Form 990) and its instructions is at *www.irs.gov/form990.***

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Name of the organization

San Francisco Bay Bird Observatory

Employer identification number

94-2788588

Part I General Information on Grants and Assistance

1 Does the organization maintain records to substantiate the amount of the grants or assistance, the grantees' eligibility for the grants or assistance, and the selection criteria used to award the grants or assistance? ..... [X] Yes [ ] No

2 Describe in Part IV the organization's procedures for monitoring the use of grant funds in the United States. See Part IV

Part II Grants and Other Assistance to Domestic Organizations and Domestic Governments.

Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' on Form 990, Part IV, line 21, for any recipient that received more than $5,000. Part II can be duplicated if additional space is needed.

1 (a) Name and address of organization or government	(b) EIN	(c) IRC section if applicable	(d) Amount of cash grant	(e) Amount of non-cash assistance	(f) Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other)	(g) Description of non-cash assistance	(h) Purpose of grant or assistance
(1)							
(2)							
(3)							
(4)							
(5)							
(6)							
(7)							
(8)							

2 Enter total number of section 501(c)(3) and government organizations listed in the line 1 table ..... ► 0

3 Enter total number of other organizations listed in the line 1 table ..... ► 0

Part III **Grants and Other Assistance to Domestic Individuals.** Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' on Form 990, Part IV, line 22. Part III can be duplicated if additional space is needed.

	(a) Type of grant or assistance	(b) Number of recipients	(c) Amount of cash grant	(d) Amount of non-cash assistance	(e) Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other)	(f) Description of non-cash assistance
1	Student Internship	4	14,000.			
2						
3						
4						
5						
6						
7						

Part IV **Supplemental Information.** Provide the information required in Part I, line 2, Part III, column (b), and any other additional information.

Part I, Line 2 - Procedures for Monitoring Use of Grants Funds in U.S.

The Bird Observatory may occasionally offer Internship opportunities for individuals to gain experience in this field, determine if they have an interest in a particular career, create a network of contacts, or gain school credit. In order to meet the guidelines of California Labor Commissioner and Fair Labor Standards Act to qualify as an Intern, the individual needs to meet the six requirements below:

1. The training provided by the Bird Observatory is similar to what would be given in a vocational school or academic educational instruction.
2. The training is for the benefit of the Interns.
3. The Interns do not displace regular employees, but work under their close

Part I, Line 2 - Procedures for Monitoring Use of Grants Funds in U.S. (continued)

observation.

4. The Bird Observatory derives no immediate advantage from the activities of the Interns, and on occasion our operations may actually be impeded.

5. Interns are not necessarily entitled to a job at the conclusion of the training period; and

6. The Bird Observatory and the Interns understand that the Interns are not entitled to wages for the time spent in training.

Executive Director must approve all Intern candidates, the content of the Internship training program, and the hours and duration of the Internship prior to offering an Internship to an individual.

An Intern's time must be tracked using a standard timesheet template, however, an Intern's time may not be billed against any grant or contract. Interns are entitled to a monthly stipend as determined by the Executive Director. Interns are also entitled to reasonable reimbursement for expenditures, as approved by their manager. These expenditures may be billed against grants or contracts, as appropriate, as we would for program volunteers.

SCHEDULE M (Form 990)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Noncash Contributions

► Complete if the organizations answered 'Yes' on Form 990, Part IV, lines 29 or 30.
► Attach to Form 990.
► Information about Schedule M (Form 990) and its instructions is at *www.irs.gov/form990.*

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Part I Types of Property

		(a) Check if applicable	(b) Number of contributions or items contributed	(c) Noncash contribution amounts reported on Form 990, Part VIII, line 1g	(d) Method of determining noncash contribution amounts
1	Art – Works of art				
2	Art – Historical treasures				
3	Art – Fractional interests				
4	Books and publications				
5	Clothing and household goods				
6	Cars and other vehicles	X	1	1,376.	FMV
7	Boats and planes	X	1	3,629.	FMV
8	Intellectual property				
9	Securities – Publicly traded				
10	Securities – Closely held stock				
11	Securities – Partnership, LLC, or trust interests				
12	Securities – Miscellaneous				
13	Qualified conservation contribution – Historic structures				
14	Qualified conservation contribution – Other				
15	Real estate – Residential				
16	Real estate – Commercial				
17	Real estate – Other				
18	Collectibles				
19	Food inventory				
20	Drugs and medical supplies				
21	Taxidermy				
22	Historical artifacts				
23	Scientific specimens				
24	Archeological artifacts				
25	Other ► (Software licenses)	X	1	38,900.	FMV
26	Other ► (Supplies)	X	29	2,300.	FMV
27	Other ► ( )				
28	Other ► ( )				

			Yes	No
29	Number of Forms 8283 received by the organization during the tax year for contributions for which the organization completed Form 8283, Part IV, Donee Acknowledgement	29		
30a	During the year, did the organization receive by contribution any property reported in Part I, lines 1 through 28, that it must hold for at least three years from the date of the initial contribution, and which is not required to be used for exempt purposes for the entire holding period?	30a		X
b	If 'Yes,' describe the arrangement in Part II.			
31	Does the organization have a gift acceptance policy that requires the review of any non-standard contributions?	31		X
32a	Does the organization hire or use third parties or related organizations to solicit, process, or sell noncash contributions?	32a		X
b	If 'Yes,' describe in Part II.			
33	If the organization did not report an amount in column (c) for a type of property for which column (a) is checked, describe in Part II.			

Part II **Supplemental Information.** Provide the information required by Part I, lines 30b, 32b, and 33, and whether the organization is reporting in Part I, column (b), the number of contributions, the number of items received, or a combination of both. Also complete this part for any additional information.

SCHEDULE O (Form 990 or 990-EZ)	Supplemental Information to Form 990 or 990-EZ	OMB No. 1545-0047
Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service	Complete to provide information for responses to specific questions on Form 990 or 990-EZ or to provide any additional information. ► Attach to Form 990 or 990-EZ. ► Information about Schedule O (Form 990 or 990-EZ) and its instructions is at www.irs.gov/form990.	2015 Open to Public Inspection

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Form 990, Part III, Line 2 - New Services

Our Landbird program expanded and hired on two employees to conduct year-long biodiversity surveys as part of a new contract. Our Habitats program also transitioned two temporary staff to permanent staff in 2015 and hired on two additional seasonal workers. The Habitats program is now working on three restoration projects that will last from 2-6 years.

Form 990, Part III, Line 4a - Program Service Accomplishments

The Snowy Plover Recovery Project works toward the recovery of the federally threatened Western Snowy Plover. Biologists monitor Snowy Plover populations by surveying salt ponds of the San Francisco Bay where the birds breed. Program biologists work closely with local land managers and restoration projects to implement management practices to help increase the Snowy Plover population in the Bay. The Waterbird Monitoring Program collects crucial data on the population ecology of San Francisco Bay Area waterbirds. Program biologists, along with approximately 70 volunteers, monitor waterbird colonies, collect data on waterbird distribution, and document disease outbreaks. These data are especially effective in tracking trends in our local bird populations and helping to guide wetland restoration in the Bay Area. At our research station, the Coyote Creek Field Station, our Landbird Program uses the science of bird banding to track avian response to climate change, and document long-term demographic trends that are imperative to conserving and restoring riparian habitats. Our Landbird Program biologists are also working with local companies to document bird biodiversity and to determine how urban development may impact ecological communities.

Form 990, Part VI, Line 6 - Explanation of Classes of Members or Shareholder

SFBBO has one class of Members. Any person is eligible for membership and admitted as a Member on approval of the membership application by the Board and on timely

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Form 990, Part VI, Line 6 - Explanation of Classes of Members or Shareholder (continued)

payment of such dues and fees fixed by the Board.

Form 990, Part VI, Line 7a - How Members or Shareholders Elect Governing Body

Members have the right to vote on the election and the removal of directors. Members also have the right to vote on the disposition of all or substantially all of SFBBO's assets, any merger and its principal terms and any amendment of those terms, any election to dissolve SFBBO, and certain amendments of SFBBO's Articles of Incorporation or Bylaws.

Form 990, Part VI, Line 7b - Decisions of Governing Body Approval by Members or Shareholders

Members have the right to vote on the election and the removal of directors. Members also have the right to vote on the disposition of all or substantially all of SFBBO's assets, any merger and its principal terms and any amendment of those terms, any election to dissolve SFBBO, and certain amendments of SFBBO's Articles of Incorporation or Bylaws.

Form 990, Part VI, Line 11b - Form 990 Review Process

A copy of Form 990 was provided to each voting member of the board prior to filing it with the IRS. The Finance Committee must approve the Form 990 prior to filing.

Form 990, Part VI, Line 12c - Explanation of Monitoring and Enforcement of Conflicts

Upon election, hiring, or appointment, and annually thereafter, insiders (or directors) should complete an Annual Disclosure Questionnaire in the form provided by the SFBBO. On this Questionnaire, the insider should disclose affiliations that constitute or could result in a conflict of interest, and confirm his or her commitment to compliance with this Policy. The insider should update this disclosure as appropriate. The Board will perform an annual review of this Policy and amend this Policy as appropriate, as contemplated by Section 6.10 of the Bylaws.

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Form 990, Part VI, Line 15a - Compensation Review & Approval Process - CEO & Top Management

The Board reviews the compensation of the Executive Director, including direct and indirect remuneration, benefits, and gifts or favors that are not insubstantial, when the individual is hired, when the individual's term of employment is extended or renewed, or when the individual's compensation is modified, unless the modification extends to all SFBBO's employees. The compensation arrangement must be approved by the Board before SFBBO makes any payments. The Board considers comparability data that demonstrate the fair market value of the compensation in question. The Board documents how it reached its decisions, including the data on which it relied. The Board approves the compensation of Covered Individuals only if the compensation is just and reasonable.

Form 990, Part VI, Line 15b - Compensation Review & Approval Process - Officers & Key Employees

The Board reviews the compensation of key employees, including direct and indirect remuneration, benefits, and gifts or favors that are not insubstantial, when the individual is hired, when the individual's term of employment is extended or renewed, or when the individual's compensation is modified, unless the modification extends to all SFBBO's employees. The compensation arrangement must be approved by the Board before SFBBO makes any payments. The Board considers comparability data that demonstrate the fair market value of the compensation in question. The Board documents how it reached its decisions, including the data on which it relied. The Board approves the compensation of Covered Individuals only if the compensation is just and reasonable.

Form 990, Part VI, Line 19 - Other Organization Documents Publicly Available

These documents are available on our website (www.sfbbo.org/about/financials.php).

TAXABLE YEAR **2015**

California Exempt Organization Annual Information Return

FORM **199**

Calendar Year 2015 or fiscal year beginning (mm/dd/yyyy) , and ending (mm/dd/yyyy)

Corporation/Organization name	California corporation number
SAN FRANCISCO BAY BIRD OBSERVATORY	1094212
Additional information. See instructions.	FEIN 94-2788588
Street address (suite or room)	PMB no.
524 VALLEY WAY	
City / State / ZIP code	
MILPITAS / CA / 95035	
Foreign country name / Foreign province/state/county / Foreign postal code	

A First Return ..... ☐ Yes ☒ No

B Amended Return ..... ● ☐ Yes ☒ No

C IRC Section 4947(a)(1) trust ..... ☐ Yes ☒ No

D Final Information Return?
● ☐ Dissolved ● ☐ Surrendered (Withdrawn) ● ☐ Merged/Reorganized
Enter date (mm/dd/yyyy) ● _____

E Check accounting method:
1 ☐ Cash 2 ☒ Accrual 3 ☐ Other

F Federal return filed? 1 ● ☐ 990T 2 ● ☐ 990-PF 3 ● ☐ Sch H (990)
4 ☐ Other 990 series

G Is this a group filing? See instructions ..... ● ☐ Yes ☒ No

H Is this organization in a group exemption? ..... ☐ Yes ☒ No
If 'Yes,' what is the parent's name?

I Did the organization have any changes to its guidelines not reported to the FTB? See instructions ..... ● ☐ Yes ☒ No

J If exempt under R&TC Section 23701d, has the organization engaged in political activities? See instructions ..... ● ☐ Yes ☒ No

K Is the organization exempt under R&TC Section 23701g? ..... ● ☐ Yes ☒ No
If 'Yes,' enter the gross receipts from nonmember sources ..... $

L If organization is exempt under R&TC Section 23701d and meets the filing fee exception, check box.
No filing fee is required ..... ● ☒

M Is the organization a Limited Liability Company? ..... ● ☐ Yes ☒ No

N Did the organization file Form 100 or Form 109 to report taxable income? ..... ● ☐ Yes ☒ No

O Is the organization under audit by the IRS or has the IRS audited in a prior year? ..... ● ☐ Yes ☒ No

P Is federal Form 1023/1024 pending? ..... ☐ Yes ☒ No
Date filed with IRS _____

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Part I Complete Part I unless not required to file this form. See General Instructions B and C.

Receipts and Revenues	1	Gross sales or receipts from other sources. From Side 2, Part II, line 8 ●	1	259,496.
	2	Gross dues and assessments from members and affiliates ●	2	
	3	Gross contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts received SEE SCH. B ●	3	480,204.
	4	Total gross receipts for filing requirement test. Add line 1 through line 3. **This line must be completed.** If the result is less than $50,000, see General Instruction B ●	4	739,700.
	5	Cost of goods sold ● (5)		
	6	Cost or other basis, and sales expenses of assets sold ● (6)		
	7	Total costs. Add line 5 and line 6	7	
	8	Total gross income. Subtract line 7 from line 4 ●	8	739,700.
Expenses	9	Total expenses and disbursements. From Side 2, Part II, line 18 ●	9	752,352.
	10	Excess of receipts over expenses and disbursements. Subtract line 9 from line 8 ●	10	-12,652.
Filing Fee	11	Total payments ●	11	
	12	Use tax. See General Instruction K ●	12	
	13	Payments balance. If line 11 is more than line 12, subtract line 12 from line 11 ●	13	
	14	Use tax balance. If line 12 is more than line 11, subtract line 11 from line 12 ●	14	
	15	Filing fee $10 or $25. See General Instruction F	15	
	16	Penalties and Interest. See General Instruction J	16	
	17	**Balance due.** Add line 12, line 15, and line 16. Then subtract line 11 from the result ◉	17	0.

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 ► | Title | Date | ● Telephone 408-946-6548

Paid Preparer's Use Only

Preparer's signature ► Adele Kaneda | Date 5/23/16 | Check if self-employed ► ☐ | ● PTIN P01664922

Firm's name (or yours, if self-employed) and address ►
CROSBY & KANEDA, CPAS
1970 BROADWAY STE 930
OAKLAND, CA 94612

● FEIN N/A
● Telephone (510) 835-2727

May the FTB discuss this return with the preparer shown above? See instructions ● ☒ Yes ☐ No

Part II Organizations with gross receipts of more than $50,000 and private foundations regardless of amount of gross receipts – complete Part II or furnish substitute information.

Receipts from Other Sources	1	Gross sales or receipts from all business activities. See instructions	1	
	2	Interest	2	6.
	3	Dividends	3	
	4	Gross rents	4	
	5	Gross royalties	5	
	6	Gross amount received from sale of assets (See instructions)	6	
	7	Other income. Attach schedule SEE STATEMENT 1	7	259,490.
	8	Total gross sales or receipts from other sources. Add line 1 through line 7. Enter here and on Side 1, Part I, line 1	8	259,496.
Expenses and Disbursements	9	Contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts paid. Attach schedule SEE STATEMENT 2	9	14,000.
	10	Disbursements to or for members	10	
	11	Compensation of officers, directors, and trustees. Attach schedule	11	73,232.
	12	Other salaries and wages	12	393,591.
	13	Interest	13	
	14	Taxes	14	46,364.
	15	Rents	15	9,826.
	16	Depreciation and depletion (See instructions)	16	4,623.
	17	Other Expenses and Disbursements. Attach schedule SEE STATEMENT 3	17	210,716.
	18	Total expenses and disbursements. Add line 9 through line 17. Enter here and on Side 1, Part I, line 9	18	752,352.

Schedule L Balance Sheet

Assets	Beginning of taxable year (a)	Beginning of taxable year (b)	End of taxable year (c)	End of taxable year (d)
1 Cash		89,600.		91,160.
2 Net accounts receivable		83,256.		113,916.
3 Net notes receivable				
4 Inventories				
5 Federal and state government obligations				
6 Investments in other bonds				
7 Investments in stock				
8 Mortgage loans				
9 Other investments. Attach schedule				
10a Depreciable assets	75,445.		85,496.	
b Less accumulated depreciation	62,828.	12,617.	67,451.	18,045.
11 Land				
12 Other assets. Attach schedule STM 4		15,545.		19,455.
13 Total assets		201,018.		242,576.
Liabilities and net worth				
14 Accounts payable		29,757.		65,613.
15 Contributions, gifts, or grants payable				
16 Bonds and notes payable				
17 Mortgages payable				
18 Other liabilities. Attach schedule STM 5				18,354.
19 Capital stock or principal fund				
20 Paid-in or capital surplus. Attach reconciliation				
21 Retained earnings or income fund		171,261.		158,609.
22 Total liabilities and net worth		201,018.		242,576.

Schedule M-1 Reconciliation of income per books with income per return

Do not complete this schedule if the amount on Schedule L, line 13, column (d), is less than $50,000.

1 Net income per books	-12,652.	7 Income recorded on books this year not included in this return. Attach schedule	
2 Federal income tax		8 Deductions in this return not charged against book income this year. Attach schedule	
3 Excess of capital losses over capital gains			
4 Income not recorded on books this year. Attach schedule		9 Total. Add line 7 and line 8	
5 Expenses recorded on books this year not deducted in this return. Attach schedule		10 Net income per return. Subtract line 9 from line 6	-12,652.
6 Total. Add line 1 through line 5	-12,652.		

Statement 1
Form 199, Part II, Line 7
Other Income

Miscellaneous	$	168.
Program Service Revenue		259,322.
Total	$	259,490.

Statement 2
Form 199, Part II, Line 9
Contributions, Gifts, Grants, and Similar Amounts Paid

Class of Activity:	Student Internship	
Donee's Name:	4 stipends: $2,750-$5,125	
Amount Given:		14,000.
Total		$ 14,000.

Statement 3
Form 199, Part II, Line 17
Other Expenses

Accounting Fees	$	6,300.
Conferences, Conventions, and Meetings		2,388.
Dues, license and service fees		2,170.
Information Technology		12,274.
Insurance		6,427.
Legal Fees		75.
Miscellaneous		350.
Office Expenses		91,942.
Other Employee Benefit		27,177.
Other fees		28,993.
Publications		465.
Staff development		1,320.
Travel		30,835.
Total	$	210,716.

Statement 4
Form 199, Schedule L, Line 12
Other Assets

Deposits		2,518.
Prepaid Expenses and Deferred Charges		16,937.
Total	$	19,455.

Statement 5
Form 199, Schedule L, Line 18
Other Liabilities

Deferred Revenue	18,354.
Total	$ 18,354.

Statement 6
Form 1991, Part II, Line 11
Compensation of officers, directors, and trustees

Brian Fullfrost, Co-chair
Compensation: $0
Other Compensation: $0

Lynne Trulio, Co-chair
Compensation: $0
Other Compensation: $0

Shannon McMahon, Secretary
Compensation: $0
Other Compensation: $0

Anne Hepburn, Treasurer
Compensation: $0
Other Compensation: $0

Catherine Burns, Director and Former Executive Director
Compensation: $13,494
Other Compensation: $0

Jan Hintermeister, Director
Compensation: $0
Other Compensation: $0

Leah Russin, Director
Compensation: $0
Other Compensation: $0

Thomas Stewart, Director
Compensation: $0
Other Compensation: $0

Anna Zivian, Director
Compensation: $0
Other Compensation: $0

Stephanie Ellis, Interim Executive Director
Compensation: $37,884
Other Compensation: $

Yiwei Wang, Director and Executive Director
Compensation: $21,174
Other Compensation: $0

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MAIL TO:
Registry of Charitable Trusts
P.O. Box 903447
Sacramento, CA 94203-4470
Telephone: (916) 445-2021

WEBSITE ADDRESS:
http://ag.ca.gov/charities/

ANNUAL REGISTRATION RENEWAL FEE REPORT TO ATTORNEY GENERAL OF CALIFORNIA

Sections 12586 and 12587, California Government Code
11 Cal. Code Regs. sections 301-307, 311 and 312

Failure to submit this report annually no later than four months and fifteen days after the end of the organization's accounting period may result in the loss of tax exemption and the assessment of a minimum tax of $800, plus interest, and/or fines or filing penalties as defined in Government Code Section 12586.1. IRS extensions will be honored.

State Charity Registration Number 045771

SAN FRANCISCO BAY BIRD OBSERVATORY
Name of Organization

524 VALLEY WAY
Address (Number and Street)

MILPITAS, CA 95035
City or Town State ZIP Code

Check if:
- ☐ **Change of address**
- ☐ **Amended report**

Corporate or Organization No. 1094212

Federal Employer I.D. No. 94-2788588

ANNUAL REGISTRATION RENEWAL FEE SCHEDULE (11 Cal. Code Regs. sections 301-307, 311 and 312)
Make Check Payable to Attorney General's Registry of Charitable Trusts

Gross Annual Revenue	Fee	*Gross Annual Revenue*	Fee	*Gross Annual Revenue*	Fee
Less than $25,000	0	Between $100,001 and $250,000	$50	Between $1,000,001 and $10 million	$150
Between $25,000 and $100,000	$25	Between $250,001 and $1 million	$75	Between $10,000,001 and $50 million	$225
				Greater than $50 million	$300

PART A – ACTIVITIES

For your most recent full accounting period (beginning 1/01/15 **ending** 12/31/15 **) list:**

Gross annual revenue $ 739,700. **Total assets** $ 242,576.

PART B – STATEMENTS REGARDING ORGANIZATION DURING THE PERIOD OF THIS REPORT

Note: If you answer 'yes' to any of the questions below, you must attach a separate sheet providing an explanation and details for each 'yes' response. Please review RRF-1 instructions for information required.

		Yes	No
1	During this reporting period, were there any contracts, loans, leases or other financial transactions between the organization and any officer, director or trustee thereof either directly or with an entity in which any such officer, director or trustee had any financial interest?	☐	☒
2	During this reporting period, was there any theft, embezzlement, diversion or misuse of the organization's charitable property or funds?	☐	☒
3	During this reporting period, did non-program expenditures exceed 50% of gross revenues?	☐	☒
4	During this reporting period, were any organization funds used to pay any penalty, fine or judgment? If you filed a Form 4720 with the Internal Revenue Service, attach a copy.	☐	☒
5	During this reporting period, were the services of a commercial fundraiser or fundraising counsel for charitable purposes used? If 'yes,' provide an attachment listing the name, address, and telephone number of the service provider.	☐	☒
6	During this reporting period, did the organization receive any governmental funding? If so, provide an attachment listing the name of the agency, mailing address, contact person, and telephone number. SEE STATEMENT 1	☒	☐
7	During this reporting period, did the organization hold a raffle for charitable purposes? If 'yes,' provide an attachment indicating the number of raffles and the date(s) they occurred.	☐	☒
8	Does the organization conduct a vehicle donation program? If 'yes,' provide an attachment indicating whether the program is operated by the charity or whether the organization contracts with a commercial fundraiser for charitable purposes. SEE STATEMENT 2	☒	☐
9	Did your organization have prepared an audited financial statement in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles for this reporting period?	☐	☒

Organization's area code and telephone number 408-946-6548

Organization's e-mail address SFBBO@SFBBO.ORG

I declare under penalty of perjury that I have examined this report, including accompanying documents, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct and complete.

Signature of authorized officer | Printed Name | Title | Date

Statement 1
Form RRF-1, Part B, Line 6
Government Agency That Provided Funding

California Department of Fish and Wildlife
1416 9th Street
Sacramento, CA 95814
John Krause 415-454-8050

California State Coastal Conversancy
1330 Broadway 13th Floor
Oakland, CA 94612
Brenda Buxton 510-286-0753

City of Sunnyvale
PO Box 3707
Sunnyvale, CA 94088-3707
David Gakle 408-730-7403

City of San Jose Water Pollution Control Plant
700 Los Esteros Road
San Jose, CA 95134
Gen Ng 408-535-7058

U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service
Don Edwards San Francisco Bay National Wildlife Refuge
9500 Thornton Avenue
Newark, CA 94560
Eric Mruz, Refuge Manager 510-792-0222

U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service
1 Marshlands Road
Fremont, CA 94555
Cheryl Strong 510-557-1271

Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District
330 Distel Circle
Los Altos, CA 94022
Joel Silverman 650-625-6529

University of California, Davis - Oiled Wildlife Care Network
One Shields Avenue
Davis, CA 95616
Lavonne Hull 530-752-4167

Santa Clara Valley Habitat Agency
535 Alkire Avenue, Suite 100
Morgan Hill, CA 95037-4128
Edmund Sullivan 408-779-7261

Santa Clara Valley Water District
5750 Almaden Expressway
San Jose, CA 95118
Sarah Young 408-630-2927

Statement 2
Form RRF-1, Part B, Line 8
Vehicle Donation Program Information

The Organization does not actively solicit the donations of vehicles. However when a vehicle donation is received, such as the case in fiscal year 2015, the Organization processes the donation internally.