

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)

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**2016**

Open to Public Inspection

**A** For the 2016 calendar year, or tax year beginning **OCT 1, 2016** and ending **SEP 30, 2017**

<b>B</b> Check if applicable:  <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Address change <input type="checkbox"/> Name change <input type="checkbox"/> Initial return <input type="checkbox"/> Final return/terminated <input type="checkbox"/> Amended return <input type="checkbox"/> Application pending	<b>C</b> Name of organization <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">READING IS FUNDAMENTAL, INC.</div> Doing business as Number and street (or P.O. box if mail is not delivered to street address) Room/suite <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">750 FIRST STREET, NE 920</div> City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">WASHINGTON, DC 20002</div> <b>F</b> Name and address of principal officer: <b>ALICIA LEVI</b> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">SAME AS C ABOVE</div>	<b>D</b> Employer identification number <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">52-0976257</div> <b>E</b> Telephone number <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">(877) 743-7323</div> <b>G</b> Gross receipts \$ <b>9,370,101.</b> <b>H(a)</b> Is this a group return for subordinates? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <b>H(b)</b> Are all subordinates included? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If "No," attach a list. (see instructions) <b>H(c)</b> Group exemption number ▶
<b>I</b> Tax-exempt status: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 501(c)(3) <input type="checkbox"/> 501(c) ( ) ◀ (insert no.) <input type="checkbox"/> 4947(a)(1) or <input type="checkbox"/> 527 <b>J</b> Website: ▶ <b>WWW.RIF.ORG</b>		
<b>K</b> Form of organization: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Corporation <input type="checkbox"/> Trust <input type="checkbox"/> Association <input type="checkbox"/> Other ▶ <b>L</b> Year of formation: <b>1973</b> <b>M</b> State of legal domicile: <b>DC</b>		

**Part I Summary**

<b>Activities &amp; Governance</b>	<b>1</b> Briefly describe the organization's mission or most significant activities: <b>MOTIVATING CHILDREN TO READ BY MAKING READING A FUN AND BENEFICIAL PART OF EVERYDAY LIFE.</b> <b>2</b> Check this box <input type="checkbox"/> if the organization discontinued its operations or disposed of more than 25% of its net assets. <b>3</b> Number of voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1a) ..... <b>3</b> ..... <b>10</b> <b>4</b> Number of independent voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1b) ..... <b>4</b> ..... <b>10</b> <b>5</b> Total number of individuals employed in calendar year 2016 (Part V, line 2a) ..... <b>5</b> ..... <b>31</b> <b>6</b> Total number of volunteers (estimate if necessary) ..... <b>6</b> ..... <b>50010</b> <b>7a</b> Total unrelated business revenue from Part VIII, column (C), line 12 ..... <b>7a</b> ..... <b>0.</b> <b>b</b> Net unrelated business taxable income from Form 990-T, line 34 ..... <b>7b</b> ..... <b>0.</b>	
<b>Revenue</b>	<b>8</b> Contributions and grants (Part VIII, line 1h) ..... <b>Prior Year</b> <b>5,374,338.</b> <b>Current Year</b> <b>5,493,347.</b> <b>9</b> Program service revenue (Part VIII, line 2g) ..... <b>585,512.</b> <b>522,974.</b> <b>10</b> Investment income (Part VIII, column (A), lines 3, 4, and 7d) ..... <b>299,348.</b> <b>366,638.</b> <b>11</b> Other revenue (Part VIII, column (A), lines 5, 6d, 8c, 9c, 10c, and 11e) ..... <b>-76,835.</b> <b>-18,712.</b> <b>12</b> Total revenue - add lines 8 through 11 (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12) ..... <b>6,182,363.</b> <b>6,364,247.</b>	
<b>Expenses</b>	<b>13</b> Grants and similar amounts paid (Part IX, column (A), lines 1-3) ..... <b>992,642.</b> <b>1,537,110.</b> <b>14</b> Benefits paid to or for members (Part IX, column (A), line 4) ..... <b>0.</b> <b>0.</b> <b>15</b> Salaries, other compensation, employee benefits (Part IX, column (A), lines 5-10) ..... <b>2,379,837.</b> <b>2,259,780.</b> <b>16a</b> Professional fundraising fees (Part IX, column (A), line 11e) ..... <b>161,200.</b> <b>96,000.</b> <b>b</b> Total fundraising expenses (Part IX, column (D), line 25) ▶ <b>1,220,666.</b> <b>17</b> Other expenses (Part IX, column (A), lines 11a-11d, 11f-24e) ..... <b>3,248,390.</b> <b>3,076,616.</b> <b>18</b> Total expenses. Add lines 13-17 (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25) ..... <b>6,782,069.</b> <b>6,969,506.</b> <b>19</b> Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 18 from line 12 ..... <b>-599,706.</b> <b>-605,259.</b>	
<b>Net Assets or Fund Balances</b>	<b>20</b> Total assets (Part X, line 16) ..... <b>Beginning of Current Year</b> <b>9,415,552.</b> <b>End of Year</b> <b>10,345,218.</b> <b>21</b> Total liabilities (Part X, line 26) ..... <b>770,687.</b> <b>2,007,300.</b> <b>22</b> Net assets or fund balances. Subtract line 21 from line 20 ..... <b>8,644,865.</b> <b>8,337,918.</b>	

**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.

<b>Sign Here</b>	Signature of officer <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; margin-top: 10px;"><b>ALICIA LEVI, PRESIDENT AND CEO</b></div> Type or print name and title	Date <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; margin-top: 10px;"></div>		
<b>Paid Preparer Use Only</b>	Print/Type preparer's name <b>FRANK H. SMITH</b>	Preparer's signature <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; margin-top: 10px;"><i>Frank H. Smith</i></div>	Date <b>02/12/18</b>	Check <input type="checkbox"/> if self-employed PTIN <b>P00639053</b>
	Firm's name ▶ <b>RAFFA, P.C.</b>	Firm's EIN ▶ <b>52-1511275</b>		
	Firm's address ▶ <b>1899 STREET, NW, SUITE 850</b> <b>WASHINGTON, DC 20036</b>	Phone no. (202) <b>822-5000</b>		

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

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**Part III Statement of Program Service Accomplishments**Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part III ☒

- 1** Briefly describe the organization's mission:  
**READING IS FUNDAMENTAL, INC. (RIF) IS COMMITTED TO A LITERATE AMERICA BY INSPIRING A PASSION FOR READING AMONG CHILDREN, PROVIDING QUALITY CONTENT AND RESOURCES TO MAKE AN IMPACT, AND ENGAGING COMMUNITIES IN THE SOLUTION TO GIVE EVERY CHILD THE FUNDAMENTALS FOR SUCCESS. RIF**
- 2** Did the organization undertake any significant program services during the year which were not listed on the prior Form 990 or 990-EZ? ☒ Yes ☐ No  
 If "Yes," describe these new services on Schedule O.
- 3** Did the organization cease conducting, or make significant changes in how it conducts, any program services? ☐ Yes ☒ No  
 If "Yes," describe these changes on Schedule O.
- 4** Describe the organization's program service accomplishments for each of its three largest program services, as measured by expenses. Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations are required to report the amount of grants and allocations to others, the total expenses, and revenue, if any, for each program service reported.
- 4a** (Code: ) (Expenses \$ 1,891,343. including grants of \$ 1,537,110.) (Revenue \$ 8,970.)  
**BOOKS FOR OWNERSHIP: AT READING CELEBRATIONS HELD MULTIPLE TIMES EACH YEAR, CHILDREN CHOOSE NEW BOOKS AND PARTICIPATE IN READING ACTIVITIES WITH TEACHERS, PARENTS, VOLUNTEERS AND COMMUNITY MEMBERS. THE BOOKS ARE FREE TO THE CHILDREN. THESE EVENTS EDUCATE, BUILD COMMUNITY AND INSPIRE CHILDREN TO MAKE GREATER CHOICES FOR THEMSELVES - TO CHOOSE LEARNING, AND TO CHOOSE SUCCESS IN SCHOOL AND IN LIFE. FUNDED BY A VARIETY OF CORPORATE AND FOUNDATION PARTNERS AND WORKING THROUGH LOCAL COMMUNITY PROGRAMS, RIF DISTRIBUTES BOOKS TO CHILDREN THAT ARE FREE TO THE CHILDREN AND THEIR FAMILIES. CHILDREN CHOOSE THEIR OWN BOOKS FROM A WIDE RANGE OF TITLES APPROPRIATE TO THEIR READING LEVEL. THE DISTRIBUTIONS, WHICH OCCUR THROUGHOUT THE YEAR, ALSO INCLUDE PARENT AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT AND PROVIDE AN OPPORTUNITY FOR THE EMPLOYEES OF**
- 4b** (Code: ) (Expenses \$ 1,231,904. including grants of \$ ) (Revenue \$ 415,708.)  
**LITERACY SERVICES AND OTHER PROGRAMS: RIF'S LITERACY SERVICES INCLUDE FAMILY AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT AND LITERACY TRAINING FOR EDUCATORS AND COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS. FAMILY AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT ACTIVITIES ARE DESIGNED TO HELP PARENTS TAKE A LEADING ROLE IN ENCOURAGING THEIR CHILDREN'S LITERACY DEVELOPMENT. WITH THE GUIDANCE OF RIF'S VOLUNTEERS, PARENTS PARTICIPATE IN WORKSHOPS, BOOK DISTRIBUTIONS AND READING CELEBRATIONS.**
- IN FISCAL YEAR 2016, RIF INTRODUCED READ FOR SUCCESS, AN EVIDENCE-BASED PROGRAM DESIGNED TO IMPROVED READING PROFICIENCY AND COMBAT SUMMER LEARNING LOSS- A CONTRIBUTION FACTOR TO THE ACHIEVEMENT GAP. TESTED OVER TWO YEARS AMONG 33,000 STUDENTS FROM 16 STATES AS PART OF THE**
- 4c** (Code: ) (Expenses \$ 1,176,061. including grants of \$ ) (Revenue \$ 98,296.)  
**COMMUNITY LITERACY AWARENESS: RIF IS THE LEADING CHAMPION FOR CHILDREN'S LITERACY THROUGH MEANINGFUL RESEARCH, QUALITY CONTENT, AND EQUAL ACCESS TO IMPACT ALL CHILDREN WITH THE POWER OF READING. RIF BELIEVES THAT EVERY CHILD DESERVES AN OPPORTUNITY TO OWN BOOKS, LEARN HOW TO READ, AND OBTAIN THE FUNDAMENTAL BUILDING BLOCKS TO ACHIEVE HIS OR HER HIGHEST POTENTIAL. RIF PROMOTES AWARENESS OF THE CRITICAL IMPACT OF EARLY LITERACY THROUGH A BROAD RANGE OF ACTIVITIES, SHARING RESOURCES THROUGH ITS WEB SITE AND SOCIAL MEDIA PLATFORMS, DISTRIBUTION OF ITS MULTICULTURAL BOOK COLLECTIONS, AND LEVERAGING MEDIA THROUGH PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENTS. THROUGH COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT, RIF IS EXPANDING ITS REACH AND INFLUENCE THROUGHOUT THE ENTIRE RIF COMMUNITY.**
- 4d** Other program services (Describe in Schedule O.)  
 (Expenses \$ 331,722. including grants of \$ ) (Revenue \$ )
- 4e** Total program service expenses **4,631,030.**

**Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules**

	Yes	No
<b>1</b> Is the organization described in section 501(c)(3) or 4947(a)(1) (other than a private foundation)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule A</i>	<b>1</b> X	
<b>2</b> Is the organization required to complete <i>Schedule B, Schedule of Contributors</i> ?	<b>2</b> X	
<b>3</b> Did the organization engage in direct or indirect political campaign activities on behalf of or in opposition to candidates for public office? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part I</i>	<b>3</b>	X
<b>4</b> <b>Section 501(c)(3) organizations.</b> Did the organization engage in lobbying activities, or have a section 501(h) election in effect during the tax year? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part II</i>	<b>4</b>	X
<b>5</b> 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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part III</i>	<b>5</b>	X
<b>6</b> 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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part I</i>	<b>6</b>	X
<b>7</b> Did the organization receive or hold a conservation easement, including easements to preserve open space, the environment, historic land areas, or historic structures? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part II</i>	<b>7</b>	X
<b>8</b> Did the organization maintain collections of works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part III</i>	<b>8</b>	X
<b>9</b> 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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part IV</i>	<b>9</b>	X
<b>10</b> Did the organization, directly or through a related organization, hold assets in temporarily restricted endowments, permanent endowments, or quasi-endowments? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part V</i>	<b>10</b> X	
<b>11</b> 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.		
<b>a</b> Did the organization report an amount for land, buildings, and equipment in Part X, line 10? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VI</i>	<b>11a</b> X	
<b>b</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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VII</i>	<b>11b</b>	X
<b>c</b> 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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VIII</i>	<b>11c</b>	X
<b>d</b> 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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part IX</i>	<b>11d</b>	X
<b>e</b> Did the organization report an amount for other liabilities in Part X, line 25? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X</i>	<b>11e</b> X	
<b>f</b> 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)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X</i>	<b>11f</b> X	
<b>12a</b> Did the organization obtain separate, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Parts XI and XII</i>	<b>12a</b> X	
<b>b</b> Was the organization included in consolidated, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? <i>If "Yes," and if the organization answered "No" to line 12a, then completing Schedule D, Parts XI and XII is optional</i>	<b>12b</b>	X
<b>13</b> Is the organization a school described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule E</i>	<b>13</b>	X
<b>14a</b> Did the organization maintain an office, employees, or agents outside of the United States?	<b>14a</b>	X
<b>b</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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts I and IV</i>	<b>14b</b>	X
<b>15</b> 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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts II and IV</i>	<b>15</b>	X
<b>16</b> 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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts III and IV</i>	<b>16</b>	X
<b>17</b> 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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part I</i>	<b>17</b> X	
<b>18</b> Did the organization report more than \$15,000 total of fundraising event gross income and contributions on Part VIII, lines 1c and 8a? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part II</i>	<b>18</b> X	
<b>19</b> Did the organization report more than \$15,000 of gross income from gaming activities on Part VIII, line 9a? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part III</i>	<b>19</b>	X

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**Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules** (continued)

	Yes	No
<b>20a</b> Did the organization operate one or more hospital facilities? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule H</i> .....		X
<b>b</b> If "Yes" to line 20a, did the organization attach a copy of its audited financial statements to this return? .....		
<b>21</b> 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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and II</i> .....	X	
<b>22</b> 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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and III</i> .....		X
<b>23</b> 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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J</i> .....	X	
<b>24a</b> 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? <i>If "Yes," answer lines 24b through 24d and complete Schedule K. If "No," go to line 25a</i> .....		X
<b>b</b> Did the organization invest any proceeds of tax-exempt bonds beyond a temporary period exception? .....		
<b>c</b> Did the organization maintain an escrow account other than a refunding escrow at any time during the year to defease any tax-exempt bonds? .....		
<b>d</b> Did the organization act as an "on behalf of" issuer for bonds outstanding at any time during the year? .....		
<b>25a</b> <b>Section 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations.</b> Did the organization engage in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person during the year? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I</i> .....		X
<b>b</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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I</i> .....		X
<b>26</b> 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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part II</i> .....		X
<b>27</b> 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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part III</i> .....		X
<b>28</b> 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):		
<b>a</b> A current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV</i> .....		X
<b>b</b> A family member of a current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV</i> .....		X
<b>c</b> 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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV</i> .....		X
<b>29</b> Did the organization receive more than \$25,000 in non-cash contributions? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule M</i> .....	X	
<b>30</b> Did the organization receive contributions of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets, or qualified conservation contributions? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule M</i> .....		X
<b>31</b> Did the organization liquidate, terminate, or dissolve and cease operations? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part I</i> .....		X
<b>32</b> Did the organization sell, exchange, dispose of, or transfer more than 25% of its net assets? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part II</i> .....		X
<b>33</b> Did the organization own 100% of an entity disregarded as separate from the organization under Regulations sections 301.7701-2 and 301.7701-3? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part I</i> .....		X
<b>34</b> Was the organization related to any tax-exempt or taxable entity? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part II, III, or IV, and Part V, line 1</i> .....		X
<b>35a</b> Did the organization have a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? .....		X
<b>b</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)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2</i> .....		
<b>36</b> <b>Section 501(c)(3) organizations.</b> Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2</i> .....		X
<b>37</b> 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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part VI</i> .....		X
<b>38</b> Did the organization complete Schedule O and provide explanations in Schedule O for Part VI, lines 11b and 19? .....	X	

**Note.** All Form 990 filers are required to complete Schedule O .....Form **990** (2016)

**Part V** Statements Regarding Other IRS Filings and Tax ComplianceCheck if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part V ☐

		Yes	No
<b>1a</b> Enter the number reported in Box 3 of Form 1096. Enter -0- if not applicable	<b>1a</b> 18		
<b>b</b> Enter the number of Forms W-2G included in line 1a. Enter -0- if not applicable	<b>1b</b> 0		
<b>c</b> Did the organization comply with backup withholding rules for reportable payments to vendors and reportable gaming (gambling) winnings to prize winners?	<b>1c</b>	X	
<b>2a</b> 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	<b>2a</b> 31		
<b>b</b> If at least one is reported on line 2a, did the organization file all required federal employment tax returns?	<b>2b</b>	X	
<b>Note.</b> If the sum of lines 1a and 2a is greater than 250, you may be required to e-file (see instructions)			
<b>3a</b> Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year?	<b>3a</b>		X
<b>b</b> If "Yes," has it filed a Form 990-T for this year? If "No," to line 3b, provide an explanation in Schedule O	<b>3b</b>		
<b>4a</b> At any time during the calendar year, did the organization have an interest in, or a signature or other authority over, a financial account in a foreign country (such as a bank account, securities account, or other financial account)?	<b>4a</b>		X
<b>b</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).			
<b>5a</b> Was the organization a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction at any time during the tax year?	<b>5a</b>		X
<b>b</b> Did any taxable party notify the organization that it was or is a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction?	<b>5b</b>		X
<b>c</b> If "Yes," to line 5a or 5b, did the organization file Form 8886-T?	<b>5c</b>		
<b>6a</b> 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?	<b>6a</b>		X
<b>b</b> If "Yes," did the organization include with every solicitation an express statement that such contributions or gifts were not tax deductible?	<b>6b</b>		
<b>7 Organizations that may receive deductible contributions under section 170(c).</b>			
<b>a</b> Did the organization receive a payment in excess of \$75 made partly as a contribution and partly for goods and services provided to the payor?	<b>7a</b>	X	
<b>b</b> If "Yes," did the organization notify the donor of the value of the goods or services provided?	<b>7b</b>	X	
<b>c</b> Did the organization sell, exchange, or otherwise dispose of tangible personal property for which it was required to file Form 8282?	<b>7c</b>		X
<b>d</b> If "Yes," indicate the number of Forms 8282 filed during the year	<b>7d</b>		
<b>e</b> Did the organization receive any funds, directly or indirectly, to pay premiums on a personal benefit contract?	<b>7e</b>		X
<b>f</b> Did the organization, during the year, pay premiums, directly or indirectly, on a personal benefit contract?	<b>7f</b>		X
<b>g</b> If the organization received a contribution of qualified intellectual property, did the organization file Form 8899 as required?	<b>7g</b>		
<b>h</b> If the organization received a contribution of cars, boats, airplanes, or other vehicles, did the organization file a Form 1098-C?	<b>7h</b>		
<b>8 Sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds.</b> Did a donor advised fund maintained by the sponsoring organization have excess business holdings at any time during the year?	<b>8</b>		
<b>9 Sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds.</b>			
<b>a</b> Did the sponsoring organization make any taxable distributions under section 4966?	<b>9a</b>		
<b>b</b> Did the sponsoring organization make a distribution to a donor, donor advisor, or related person?	<b>9b</b>		
<b>10 Section 501(c)(7) organizations.</b> Enter:			
<b>a</b> Initiation fees and capital contributions included on Part VIII, line 12	<b>10a</b>		
<b>b</b> Gross receipts, included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, for public use of club facilities	<b>10b</b>		
<b>11 Section 501(c)(12) organizations.</b> Enter:			
<b>a</b> Gross income from members or shareholders	<b>11a</b>		
<b>b</b> Gross income from other sources (Do not net amounts due or paid to other sources against amounts due or received from them.)	<b>11b</b>		
<b>12a Section 4947(a)(1) non-exempt charitable trusts.</b> Is the organization filing Form 990 in lieu of Form 1041?	<b>12a</b>		
<b>b</b> If "Yes," enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the year	<b>12b</b>		
<b>13 Section 501(c)(29) qualified nonprofit health insurance issuers.</b>			
<b>a</b> Is the organization licensed to issue qualified health plans in more than one state?	<b>13a</b>		
<b>Note.</b> See the instructions for additional information the organization must report on Schedule O.			
<b>b</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	<b>13b</b>		
<b>c</b> Enter the amount of reserves on hand	<b>13c</b>		
<b>14a</b> Did the organization receive any payments for indoor tanning services during the tax year?	<b>14a</b>		X
<b>b</b> If "Yes," has it filed a Form 720 to report these payments? If "No," provide an explanation in Schedule O	<b>14b</b>		

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**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

☒**Section A. Governing Body and Management**

	Yes	No
<b>1a</b> Enter the number of voting members of the governing body at the end of the tax year ..... <b>1a</b> 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>b</b> Enter the number of voting members included in line 1a, above, who are independent ..... <b>1b</b> 10		
<b>2</b> 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? .....	<b>2</b>	X
<b>3</b> 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? .....	<b>3</b>	X
<b>4</b> Did the organization make any significant changes to its governing documents since the prior Form 990 was filed? .....	<b>4</b>	X
<b>5</b> Did the organization become aware during the year of a significant diversion of the organization's assets? .....	<b>5</b>	X
<b>6</b> Did the organization have members or stockholders? .....	<b>6</b>	X
<b>7a</b> 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? .....	<b>7a</b>	X
<b>b</b> Are any governance decisions of the organization reserved to (or subject to approval by) members, stockholders, or persons other than the governing body? .....	<b>7b</b>	X
<b>8</b> Did the organization contemporaneously document the meetings held or written actions undertaken during the year by the following:		
<b>a</b> The governing body? .....	<b>8a</b>	X
<b>b</b> Each committee with authority to act on behalf of the governing body? .....	<b>8b</b>	X
<b>9</b> 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 .....	<b>9</b>	X

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

	Yes	No
<b>10a</b> Did the organization have local chapters, branches, or affiliates? .....	<b>10a</b>	X
<b>b</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? .....	<b>10b</b>	
<b>11a</b> Has the organization provided a complete copy of this Form 990 to all members of its governing body before filing the form? .....	<b>11a</b>	X
<b>b</b> Describe in Schedule O the process, if any, used by the organization to review this Form 990.		
<b>12a</b> Did the organization have a written conflict of interest policy? If "No," go to line 13 .....	<b>12a</b>	X
<b>b</b> Were officers, directors, or trustees, and key employees required to disclose annually interests that could give rise to conflicts? .....	<b>12b</b>	X
<b>c</b> Did the organization regularly and consistently monitor and enforce compliance with the policy? If "Yes," describe in Schedule O how this was done .....	<b>12c</b>	X
<b>13</b> Did the organization have a written whistleblower policy? .....	<b>13</b>	X
<b>14</b> Did the organization have a written document retention and destruction policy? .....	<b>14</b>	X
<b>15</b> 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?		
<b>a</b> The organization's CEO, Executive Director, or top management official .....	<b>15a</b>	X
<b>b</b> Other officers or key employees of the organization .....	<b>15b</b>	X
If "Yes" to line 15a or 15b, describe the process in Schedule O (see instructions).		
<b>16a</b> Did the organization invest in, contribute assets to, or participate in a joint venture or similar arrangement with a taxable entity during the year? .....	<b>16a</b>	X
<b>b</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? .....	<b>16b</b>	

**Section C. Disclosure**

**17** List the states with which a copy of this Form 990 is required to be filed **AL, AK, AR, AZ, CA, CT, FL, GA, HI, IL, IN, KS**

**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.  
☒ Own website    ☐ Another's website    ☒ 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.

**20** State the name, address, and telephone number of the person who possesses the organization's books and records: **▶**  
**ROMEO FERRUFINO - (877) 743-7323**  
**750 FIRST STREET, NE, NO. 920, WASHINGTON, DC 20002**

**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****1a** 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 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) JOHN REMONDI CHAIRMAN	4.50	X		X				0.	0.	0.
(2) CHRISTY MOBERLY VICE CHAIRMAN	1.50	X		X				0.	0.	0.
(3) J.J. JOHNSON TREASURER	1.50	X		X				0.	0.	0.
(4) MARC WALBY SECRETARY	1.50	X		X				0.	0.	0.
(5) CHRISTOPHER CERF DIRECTOR	1.50	X						0.	0.	0.
(6) KITTY KELLEY DIRECTOR	1.50	X						0.	0.	0.
(7) MATTHEW MCCORRY DIRECTOR	1.50	X						0.	0.	0.
(8) EMILY MOORE DIRECTOR	1.50	X						0.	0.	0.
(9) CAROLYN SIMPSON DIRECTOR	1.50	X						0.	0.	0.
(10) RICK ZIMMERMAN DIRECTOR	1.50	X						0.	0.	0.
(11) ALICIA LEVI PRESIDENT AND CEO	40.00			X				105,004.	0.	1,283.
(12) TRACEY BEEKER VP OF MARKETING - UNTIL 11/2016	40.00				X			143,867.	0.	13,270.
(13) AILEEN C. MOFFATT BUCKNER VP OF DEVELOPMENT - UNTIL 11/2016	40.00				X			143,263.	0.	14,747.
(14) MARGARET M. CARTER DIRECTOR OF ANNUAL GIVING	40.00				X			131,634.	0.	13,524.
(15) CAROL H. RASCO - UNTIL 09/2016 FORMER PRESIDENT AND CEO	0.00						X	210,371.	0.	20,766.

**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 organizations below 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			
<b>1b Sub-total</b>								734,139.	0.	63,590.
<b>c Total from continuation sheets to Part VII, Section A</b>								0.	0.	0.
<b>d Total (add lines 1b and 1c)</b>								734,139.	0.	63,590.

**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 **5**

	Yes	No
<b>3</b> Did the organization list any <b>former</b> officer, director, or trustee, key employee, or highest compensated employee on line 1a? If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual	X	
<b>4</b> 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	X	
<b>5</b> 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		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
ONE SOURCE PRODUCTION 38590 BETTIS DRIVE, HAMILTON, VA 20158	MAILING MANAGEMENT LIST	216,877.
BDO, 8401 GREENSBORO DRIVE, SUITE 800, MCLEAN, VA 22102	PROFESSIONAL CONSULTING	180,000.
LAUTMAN MASKA NEILL & CO, 1730 RHODE ISLAND AVENUE, NW, WASHINGTON, DC 20036	PROFESSIONAL FUNDRAISING	121,818.
SMARTER LEARNING GROUP, INC. 4011 YOKE DRIVE, HAMPSTEAD, MD 21074	PROFESSIONAL CONSULTING	108,000.

**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 **4**



**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
<b>Contributions, Gifts, Grants and Other Similar Amounts</b>	<b>1 a</b> Federated campaigns .....	<b>1a</b>	82,278.				
	<b>b</b> Membership dues .....	<b>1b</b>					
	<b>c</b> Fundraising events .....	<b>1c</b>	85,341.				
	<b>d</b> Related organizations .....	<b>1d</b>					
	<b>e</b> Government grants (contributions) .....	<b>1e</b>					
	<b>f</b> All other contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts not included above .....	<b>1f</b>	5,325,728.				
	<b>g</b> Noncash contributions included in lines 1a-1f: \$ .....		506,275.				
	<b>h Total.</b> Add lines 1a-1f .....						
<b>Program Service Revenue</b>	<b>2 a</b> READ FOR SUCCESS .....	<b>Business Code</b>	900099	415,708.	415,708.		
	<b>b</b> TRAINING PROGRAMS .....		900099	98,296.	98,296.		
	<b>c</b> MANAGEMENT FEES .....		900099	8,970.	8,970.		
	<b>d</b> .....						
	<b>e</b> .....						
	<b>f</b> All other program service revenue .....						
	<b>g Total.</b> Add lines 2a-2f .....			522,974.			
	<b>Other Revenue</b>	<b>3</b> Investment income (including dividends, interest, and other similar amounts) .....			103,434.		
<b>4</b> Income from investment of tax-exempt bond proceeds .....							
<b>5</b> Royalties .....							
<b>6 a</b> Gross rents .....		(i) Real	801,583.				
<b>b</b> Less: rental expenses .....		(ii) Personal	767,832.				
<b>c</b> Rental income or (loss) .....			33,751.				
<b>d</b> Net rental income or (loss) .....			33,751.				
<b>7 a</b> Gross amount from sales of assets other than inventory .....		(i) Securities	2434763.				
<b>b</b> Less: cost or other basis and sales expenses .....		(ii) Other	2171559.				
<b>c</b> Gain or (loss) .....			263,204.				
<b>d</b> Net gain or (loss) .....			263,204.				
<b>8 a</b> Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ 85,341. of contributions reported on line 1c). See Part IV, line 18 .....		<b>a</b>	14,000.				
<b>b</b> Less: direct expenses .....		<b>b</b>	66,463.				
<b>c</b> Net income or (loss) from fundraising events .....			-52,463.				
<b>9 a</b> Gross income from gaming activities. See Part IV, line 19 .....		<b>a</b>					
<b>b</b> Less: direct expenses .....		<b>b</b>					
<b>c</b> Net income or (loss) from gaming activities .....							
<b>10 a</b> Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances .....		<b>a</b>					
<b>b</b> Less: cost of goods sold .....	<b>b</b>						
<b>c</b> Net income or (loss) from sales of inventory .....							
<b>Miscellaneous Revenue</b>			<b>Business Code</b>				
<b>11 a</b> .....							
<b>b</b> .....							
<b>c</b> .....							
<b>d</b> All other revenue .....							
<b>e Total.</b> Add lines 11a-11d .....							
<b>12 Total revenue.</b> See instructions. ....				6,364,247.	522,974.	0.	347,926.

**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
<b>1</b> Grants and other assistance to domestic organizations and domestic governments. See Part IV, line 21	1,537,110.	1,537,110.		
<b>2</b> Grants and other assistance to domestic individuals. See Part IV, line 22				
<b>3</b> Grants and other assistance to foreign organizations, foreign governments, and foreign individuals. See Part IV, lines 15 and 16				
<b>4</b> Benefits paid to or for members				
<b>5</b> Compensation of current officers, directors, trustees, and key employees	290,233.	159,629.	95,777.	34,827.
<b>6</b> Compensation not included above, to disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)) and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B)				
<b>7</b> Other salaries and wages	1,651,541.	1,043,674.	259,508.	348,359.
<b>8</b> Pension plan accruals and contributions (include section 401(k) and 403(b) employer contributions)	59,821.	36,516.	10,525.	12,780.
<b>9</b> Other employee benefits	119,412.	72,797.	21,254.	25,361.
<b>10</b> Payroll taxes	138,773.	88,061.	25,970.	24,742.
<b>11</b> Fees for services (non-employees):				
<b>a</b> Management				
<b>b</b> Legal	15,862.		15,862.	
<b>c</b> Accounting	221,299.		221,299.	
<b>d</b> Lobbying				
<b>e</b> Professional fundraising services. See Part IV, line 17	96,000.			96,000.
<b>f</b> Investment management fees	25,098.		25,098.	
<b>g</b> Other. (If line 11g amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A) amount, list line 11g expenses on Sch. O.)	597,951.	353,956.	126,480.	117,515.
<b>12</b> Advertising and promotion				
<b>13</b> Office expenses	212,029.	64,143.	26,136.	121,750.
<b>14</b> Information technology	239,815.	71,481.	99,205.	69,129.
<b>15</b> Royalties				
<b>16</b> Occupancy	583,082.	358,495.	105,722.	118,865.
<b>17</b> Travel	85,286.	70,375.	11,661.	3,250.
<b>18</b> Payments of travel or entertainment expenses for any federal, state, or local public officials				
<b>19</b> Conferences, conventions, and meetings	109,926.	67,942.	20,765.	21,219.
<b>20</b> Interest				
<b>21</b> Payments to affiliates				
<b>22</b> Depreciation, depletion, and amortization	82,762.	50,399.	14,863.	17,500.
<b>23</b> Insurance	20,583.	12,535.	3,696.	4,352.
<b>24</b> 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.)				
<b>a</b> BOOKS-LOCAL RIF PRGMS.	498,074.	498,074.		
<b>b</b> PRINTING & PRODUCTION	357,115.	145,843.	6,255.	205,017.
<b>c</b> LOSS ON DISPOSAL OF FA	27,734.		27,734.	
<b>d</b>				
<b>e</b> All other expenses				
<b>25</b> Total functional expenses. Add lines 1 through 24e	6,969,506.	4,631,030.	1,117,810.	1,220,666.
<b>26</b> 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
<b>Assets</b>	<b>1</b> Cash - non-interest-bearing .....	742,899.	<b>1</b>	1,009,569.
	<b>2</b> Savings and temporary cash investments .....	1,415,663.	<b>2</b>	633,760.
	<b>3</b> Pledges and grants receivable, net .....	1,939,866.	<b>3</b>	1,932,950.
	<b>4</b> Accounts receivable, net .....	0.	<b>4</b>	17,771.
	<b>5</b> Loans and other receivables from current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, and highest compensated employees. Complete Part II of Schedule L .....		<b>5</b>	
	<b>6</b> 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 instr). Complete Part II of Sch L .....		<b>6</b>	
	<b>7</b> Notes and loans receivable, net .....		<b>7</b>	
	<b>8</b> Inventories for sale or use .....	0.	<b>8</b>	54,000.
	<b>9</b> Prepaid expenses and deferred charges .....	161,723.	<b>9</b>	142,276.
	<b>10a</b> Land, buildings, and equipment: cost or other basis. Complete Part VI of Schedule D .....	<b>10a</b> 1,219,555.		
	<b>b</b> Less: accumulated depreciation .....	<b>10b</b> 28,029.	<b>10c</b>	1,191,526.
	<b>11</b> Investments - publicly traded securities .....	5,014,944.	<b>11</b>	5,144,350.
	<b>12</b> Investments - other securities. See Part IV, line 11 .....		<b>12</b>	
	<b>13</b> Investments - program-related. See Part IV, line 11 .....		<b>13</b>	
	<b>14</b> Intangible assets .....		<b>14</b>	
	<b>15</b> Other assets. See Part IV, line 11 .....	37,046.	<b>15</b>	219,016.
<b>16</b> <b>Total assets.</b> Add lines 1 through 15 (must equal line 34) .....	9,415,552.	<b>16</b>	10,345,218.	
<b>Liabilities</b>	<b>17</b> Accounts payable and accrued expenses .....	304,599.	<b>17</b>	985,982.
	<b>18</b> Grants payable .....	181,850.	<b>18</b>	284,497.
	<b>19</b> Deferred revenue .....	40,000.	<b>19</b>	0.
	<b>20</b> Tax-exempt bond liabilities .....		<b>20</b>	
	<b>21</b> Escrow or custodial account liability. Complete Part IV of Schedule D .....		<b>21</b>	
	<b>22</b> 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 .....		<b>22</b>	
	<b>23</b> Secured mortgages and notes payable to unrelated third parties .....		<b>23</b>	
	<b>24</b> Unsecured notes and loans payable to unrelated third parties .....		<b>24</b>	
	<b>25</b> 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 .....	244,238.	<b>25</b>	736,821.
	<b>26</b> <b>Total liabilities.</b> Add lines 17 through 25 .....	770,687.	<b>26</b>	2,007,300.
<b>Net Assets or Fund Balances</b>	<b>Organizations that follow SFAS 117 (ASC 958), check here</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>and complete lines 27 through 29, and lines 33 and 34.</b>			
	<b>27</b> Unrestricted net assets .....	4,813,408.	<b>27</b>	4,712,104.
	<b>28</b> Temporarily restricted net assets .....	3,239,847.	<b>28</b>	3,034,204.
	<b>29</b> Permanently restricted net assets .....	591,610.	<b>29</b>	591,610.
	<b>Organizations that do not follow SFAS 117 (ASC 958), check here</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>and complete lines 30 through 34.</b>			
	<b>30</b> Capital stock or trust principal, or current funds .....		<b>30</b>	
	<b>31</b> Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, building, or equipment fund .....		<b>31</b>	
	<b>32</b> Retained earnings, endowment, accumulated income, or other funds .....		<b>32</b>	
	<b>33</b> <b>Total net assets or fund balances</b> .....	8,644,865.	<b>33</b>	8,337,918.
	<b>34</b> <b>Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances</b> .....	9,415,552.	<b>34</b>	10,345,218.

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**Part XI Reconciliation of Net Assets**Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part XI ☐

<b>1</b>	Total revenue (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	<b>1</b>	6,364,247.
<b>2</b>	Total expenses (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	<b>2</b>	6,969,506.
<b>3</b>	Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 2 from line 1	<b>3</b>	-605,259.
<b>4</b>	Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (must equal Part X, line 33, column (A))	<b>4</b>	8,644,865.
<b>5</b>	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	<b>5</b>	298,312.
<b>6</b>	Donated services and use of facilities	<b>6</b>	
<b>7</b>	Investment expenses	<b>7</b>	
<b>8</b>	Prior period adjustments	<b>8</b>	
<b>9</b>	Other changes in net assets or fund balances (explain in Schedule O)	<b>9</b>	0.
<b>10</b>	Net assets or fund balances at end of year. Combine lines 3 through 9 (must equal Part X, line 33, column (B))	<b>10</b>	8,337,918.

**Part XII Financial Statements and Reporting**Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part XII ☐

	Yes	No
<b>1</b> Accounting method used to prepare the Form 990: <input type="checkbox"/> Cash <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Accrual <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ If the organization changed its method of accounting from a prior year or checked "Other," explain in Schedule O.		
<b>2a</b> Were the organization's financial statements compiled or reviewed by an independent accountant? _____ 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: <input type="checkbox"/> Separate basis <input type="checkbox"/> Consolidated basis <input type="checkbox"/> Both consolidated and separate basis	<b>2a</b>	<b>X</b>
<b>b</b> Were the organization's financial statements audited by an independent accountant? _____ 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: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Separate basis <input type="checkbox"/> Consolidated basis <input type="checkbox"/> Both consolidated and separate basis	<b>2b</b>	<b>X</b>
<b>c</b> 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? _____ If the organization changed either its oversight process or selection process during the tax year, explain in Schedule O.	<b>2c</b>	<b>X</b>
<b>3a</b> 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? _____	<b>3a</b>	<b>X</b>
<b>b</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 _____	<b>3b</b>	

Form 990 (2016)

**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](http://www.irs.gov/form990).

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**2016**

**Open to Public  
Inspection**

Name of the organization

READING IS FUNDAMENTAL, INC.

Employer identification number

52-0976257

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

The organization is not a private foundation because it is: (For lines 1 through 12, check only one box.)

- 1 ☐ A church, convention of churches, or association of churches described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(i)**.
- 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 agricultural research organization described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(ix)** operated in conjunction with a land-grant college or university or a non-land-grant college of agriculture (see instructions). Enter the name, city, and state of the college or university: \_\_\_\_\_
- 10 ☐ 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.)
- 11 ☐ An organization organized and operated exclusively to test for public safety. See **section 509(a)(4)**.
- 12 ☐ An organization organized and operated exclusively for the benefit of, to perform the functions of, or to carry out the purposes of one or more publicly supported organizations described in **section 509(a)(1)** or **section 509(a)(2)**. See **section 509(a)(3)**. Check the box in lines 12a through 12d that describes the type of supporting organization and complete lines 12e, 12f, and 12g.
- 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 1-10 above (see instructions))	(iv) Is the organization listed in your governing document?		(v) Amount of monetary support (see instructions)	(vi) Amount of other support (see instructions)
			Yes	No		
<b>Total</b>						

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**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) 2012	(b) 2013	(c) 2014	(d) 2015	(e) 2016	(f) Total
<b>1</b> Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received. (Do not include any "unusual grants.") .....	10423884.	10757756.	5781544.	5374338.	5493347.	37830869.
<b>2</b> Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf .....						
<b>3</b> The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge .....						
<b>4 Total.</b> Add lines 1 through 3 .....	10423884.	10757756.	5781544.	5374338.	5493347.	37830869.
<b>5</b> 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) .....						10986858.
<b>6 Public support.</b> Subtract line 5 from line 4.						26844011.

**Section B. Total Support**

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ▶	(a) 2012	(b) 2013	(c) 2014	(d) 2015	(e) 2016	(f) Total
<b>7</b> Amounts from line 4 .....	10423884.	10757756.	5781544.	5374338.	5493347.	37830869.
<b>8</b> Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources .....	884,943.	928,156.	949,318.	917,705.	905,017.	4585139.
<b>9</b> Net income from unrelated business activities, whether or not the business is regularly carried on .....	5,195.	3,158.	5,063.	0.	0.	13,416.
<b>10</b> Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part VI.) .....		783.		1,000.		1,783.
<b>11 Total support.</b> Add lines 7 through 10						42431207.
<b>12</b> Gross receipts from related activities, etc. (see instructions) .....					12	1,469,219.
<b>13 First five years.</b> 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 <b>stop here</b> .....						<input type="checkbox"/>

**Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage**

<b>14</b> Public support percentage for 2016 (line 6, column (f) divided by line 11, column (f)) .....	<b>14</b>	63.26 %
<b>15</b> Public support percentage from 2015 Schedule A, Part II, line 14 .....	<b>15</b>	69.36 %
<b>16a 33 1/3% support test - 2016.</b> If the organization did not check the box on line 13, and line 14 is 33 1/3% or more, check this box and <b>stop here.</b> The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization .....		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>b 33 1/3% support test - 2015.</b> 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 <b>stop here.</b> The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization .....		<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>17a 10% -facts-and-circumstances test - 2016.</b> 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 <b>stop here.</b> Explain in Part VI how the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization .....		<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>b 10% -facts-and-circumstances test - 2015.</b> 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 <b>stop here.</b> Explain in Part VI how the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization .....		<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>18 Private foundation.</b> If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, 16b, 17a, or 17b, check this box and see instructions .....		<input type="checkbox"/>

Schedule A (Form 990 or 990-EZ) 2016

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

(Complete only if you checked the box on line 10 of Part I or if the organization failed to qualify under Part II. If the organization fails to qualify under the tests listed below, please complete Part II.)

**Section A. Public Support**

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ►	(a) 2012	(b) 2013	(c) 2014	(d) 2015	(e) 2016	(f) Total
<b>1</b> Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received. (Do not include any "unusual grants.") .....						
<b>2</b> 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 .....						
<b>3</b> Gross receipts from activities that are not an unrelated trade or business under section 513 .....						
<b>4</b> Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf .....						
<b>5</b> The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge .....						
<b>6 Total.</b> Add lines 1 through 5 .....						
<b>7a</b> Amounts included on lines 1, 2, and 3 received from disqualified persons .....						
<b>b</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 .....						
<b>c</b> Add lines 7a and 7b .....						
<b>8 Public support.</b> (Subtract line 7c from line 6.)						

**Section B. Total Support**

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ►	(a) 2012	(b) 2013	(c) 2014	(d) 2015	(e) 2016	(f) Total
<b>9</b> Amounts from line 6 .....						
<b>10a</b> Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources .....						
<b>b</b> Unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 taxes) from businesses acquired after June 30, 1975 .....						
<b>c</b> Add lines 10a and 10b .....						
<b>11</b> Net income from unrelated business activities not included in line 10b, whether or not the business is regularly carried on .....						
<b>12</b> Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part VI.) .....						
<b>13 Total support.</b> (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**

<b>15</b> Public support percentage for 2016 (line 8, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f)) .....	<b>15</b>	%
<b>16</b> Public support percentage from 2015 Schedule A, Part III, line 15 .....	<b>16</b>	%

**Section D. Computation of Investment Income Percentage**

<b>17</b> Investment income percentage for 2016 (line 10c, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f)) .....	<b>17</b>	%
<b>18</b> Investment income percentage from 2015 Schedule A, Part III, line 17 .....	<b>18</b>	%

**19a 33 1/3% support tests - 2016.** 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 - 2015.** 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 12 on Part I. If you checked 12a of Part I, complete Sections A and B. If you checked 12b of Part I, complete Sections A and C. If you checked 12c of Part I, complete Sections A, D, and E. If you checked 12d of Part I, complete Sections A and D, and complete Part V.)

**Section A. All Supporting Organizations**

	Yes	No
<b>1</b> Are all of the organization's supported organizations listed by name in the organization's governing documents? If "No," describe in <b>Part VI</b> how the supported organizations are designated. If designated by class or purpose, describe the designation. If historic and continuing relationship, explain.		
<b>2</b> 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 <b>Part VI</b> how the organization determined that the supported organization was described in section 509(a)(1) or (2).		
<b>3a</b> Did the organization have a supported organization described in section 501(c)(4), (5), or (6)? If "Yes," answer (b) and (c) below.		
<b>b</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 <b>Part VI</b> when and how the organization made the determination.		
<b>c</b> Did the organization ensure that all support to such organizations was used exclusively for section 170(c)(2)(B) purposes? If "Yes," explain in <b>Part VI</b> what controls the organization put in place to ensure such use.		
<b>4a</b> Was any supported organization not organized in the United States ("foreign supported organization")? If "Yes," and if you checked 12a or 12b in Part I, answer (b) and (c) below.		
<b>b</b> Did the organization have ultimate control and discretion in deciding whether to make grants to the foreign supported organization? If "Yes," describe in <b>Part VI</b> how the organization had such control and discretion despite being controlled or supervised by or in connection with its supported organizations.		
<b>c</b> 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 <b>Part VI</b> 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.		
<b>5a</b> 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 <b>Part VI</b> , 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).		
<b>b</b> <b>Type I or Type II only.</b> Was any added or substituted supported organization part of a class already designated in the organization's organizing document?		
<b>c</b> <b>Substitutions only.</b> Was the substitution the result of an event beyond the organization's control?		
<b>6</b> 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 <b>Part VI</b> .		
<b>7</b> 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).		
<b>8</b> 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).		
<b>9a</b> 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 <b>Part VI</b> .		
<b>b</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 <b>Part VI</b> .		
<b>c</b> 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 <b>Part VI</b> .		
<b>10a</b> 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.		
<b>b</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.)		



**Part IV Supporting Organizations** (continued)

	Yes	No
<b>11</b> Has the organization accepted a gift or contribution from any of the following persons?		
<b>a</b> 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?		
<b>11a</b>		
<b>b</b> A family member of a person described in (a) above?		
<b>11b</b>		
<b>c</b> A 35% controlled entity of a person described in (a) or (b) above? If "Yes" to a, b, or c, provide detail in <b>Part VI</b> .		
<b>11c</b>		

**Section B. Type I Supporting Organizations**

	Yes	No
<b>1</b> 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 <b>Part VI</b> 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.		
<b>1</b>		
<b>2</b> 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 <b>Part VI</b> how providing such benefit carried out the purposes of the supported organization(s) that operated, supervised, or controlled the supporting organization.		
<b>2</b>		

**Section C. Type II Supporting Organizations**

	Yes	No
<b>1</b> 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 <b>Part VI</b> how control or management of the supporting organization was vested in the same persons that controlled or managed the supported organization(s).		
<b>1</b>		

**Section D. All Type III Supporting Organizations**

	Yes	No
<b>1</b> 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?		
<b>1</b>		
<b>2</b> 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 <b>Part VI</b> how the organization maintained a close and continuous working relationship with the supported organization(s).		
<b>2</b>		
<b>3</b> 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 <b>Part VI</b> the role the organization's supported organizations played in this regard.		
<b>3</b>		

**Section E. Type III Functionally Integrated Supporting Organizations**

<b>1</b> Check the box next to the method that the organization used to satisfy the Integral Part Test during the year (see instructions).			
<b>a</b> <input type="checkbox"/> The organization satisfied the Activities Test. Complete <b>line 2</b> below.			
<b>b</b> <input type="checkbox"/> The organization is the parent of each of its supported organizations. Complete <b>line 3</b> below.			
<b>c</b> <input type="checkbox"/> The organization supported a governmental entity. Describe in <b>Part VI</b> how you supported a government entity (see instructions).			
<b>2</b> Activities Test. Answer (a) and (b) below.			
<b>a</b> 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 <b>Part VI</b> 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.			
<b>2a</b>			
<b>b</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 <b>Part VI</b> the reasons for the organization's position that its supported organization(s) would have engaged in these activities but for the organization's involvement.			
<b>2b</b>			
<b>3</b> Parent of Supported Organizations. Answer (a) and (b) below.			
<b>a</b> 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 <b>Part VI</b> .			
<b>3a</b>			
<b>b</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 <b>Part VI</b> the role played by the organization in this regard.			
<b>3b</b>			

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

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

<b>Section A - Adjusted Net Income</b>		(A) Prior Year	(B) Current Year (optional)
<b>1</b> Net short-term capital gain	<b>1</b>		
<b>2</b> Recoveries of prior-year distributions	<b>2</b>		
<b>3</b> Other gross income (see instructions)	<b>3</b>		
<b>4</b> Add lines 1 through 3	<b>4</b>		
<b>5</b> Depreciation and depletion	<b>5</b>		
<b>6</b> 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)	<b>6</b>		
<b>7</b> Other expenses (see instructions)	<b>7</b>		
<b>8 Adjusted Net Income</b> (subtract lines 5, 6, and 7 from line 4)	<b>8</b>		

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

<b>Section C - Distributable Amount</b>			Current Year
<b>1</b> Adjusted net income for prior year (from Section A, line 8, Column A)	<b>1</b>		
<b>2</b> Enter 85% of line 1	<b>2</b>		
<b>3</b> Minimum asset amount for prior year (from Section B, line 8, Column A)	<b>3</b>		
<b>4</b> Enter greater of line 2 or line 3	<b>4</b>		
<b>5</b> Income tax imposed in prior year	<b>5</b>		
<b>6 Distributable Amount.</b> Subtract line 5 from line 4, unless subject to emergency temporary reduction (see instructions)	<b>6</b>		
<b>7</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Check here if the current year is the organization's first as a non-functionally integrated Type III supporting organization (see instructions).			

Schedule A (Form 990 or 990-EZ) 2016

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

Section D - Distributions			Current Year
<b>1</b>	Amounts paid to supported organizations to accomplish exempt purposes		
<b>2</b>	Amounts paid to perform activity that directly furthers exempt purposes of supported organizations, in excess of income from activity		
<b>3</b>	Administrative expenses paid to accomplish exempt purposes of supported organizations		
<b>4</b>	Amounts paid to acquire exempt-use assets		
<b>5</b>	Qualified set-aside amounts (prior IRS approval required)		
<b>6</b>	Other distributions (describe in <b>Part VI</b> ). See instructions		
<b>7</b>	<b>Total annual distributions.</b> Add lines 1 through 6		
<b>8</b>	Distributions to attentive supported organizations to which the organization is responsive (provide details in <b>Part VI</b> ). See instructions		
<b>9</b>	Distributable amount for 2016 from Section C, line 6		
<b>10</b>	Line 8 amount divided by Line 9 amount		

Section E - Distribution Allocations (see instructions)	(i) Excess Distributions	(ii) Underdistributions Pre-2016	(iii) Distributable Amount for 2016
<b>1</b> Distributable amount for 2016 from Section C, line 6			
<b>2</b> Underdistributions, if any, for years prior to 2016 (reasonable cause required- explain in Part VI). See instructions			
<b>3</b> Excess distributions carryover, if any, to 2016:			
<b>a</b>			
<b>b</b>			
<b>c</b> From 2013			
<b>d</b> From 2014			
<b>e</b> From 2015			
<b>f</b> <b>Total</b> of lines 3a through e			
<b>g</b> Applied to underdistributions of prior years			
<b>h</b> Applied to 2016 distributable amount			
<b>i</b> Carryover from 2011 not applied (see instructions)			
<b>j</b> Remainder. Subtract lines 3g, 3h, and 3i from 3f.			
<b>4</b> Distributions for 2016 from Section D, line 7: \$			
<b>a</b> Applied to underdistributions of prior years			
<b>b</b> Applied to 2016 distributable amount			
<b>c</b> Remainder. Subtract lines 4a and 4b from 4			
<b>5</b> Remaining underdistributions for years prior to 2016, if any. Subtract lines 3g and 4a from line 2. For result greater than zero, explain in Part VI. See instructions			
<b>6</b> Remaining underdistributions for 2016. Subtract lines 3h and 4b from line 1. For result greater than zero, explain in Part VI. See instructions			
<b>7</b> <b>Excess distributions carryover to 2017.</b> Add lines 3j and 4c			
<b>8</b> Breakdown of line 7:			
<b>a</b>			
<b>b</b> Excess from 2013			
<b>c</b> Excess from 2014			
<b>d</b> Excess from 2015			
<b>e</b> Excess from 2016			

Schedule A (Form 990 or 990-EZ) 2016

**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.)

**SCHEDULE A, PART II, LINE 10, EXPLANATION FOR OTHER INCOME:****OTHER**

2012 AMOUNT: \$ 0.

2013 AMOUNT: \$ 783.

2014 AMOUNT: \$ 0.

2015 AMOUNT: \$ 1,000.

2016 AMOUNT: \$ 0.

# Schedule B

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

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

# Schedule of Contributors

▶ Attach to Form 990, Form 990-EZ, or Form 990-PF.  
▶ Information about Schedule B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF) and  
its instructions is at [www.irs.gov/form990](http://www.irs.gov/form990).

OMB No. 1545-0047

# 2016

Name of the organization

READING IS FUNDAMENTAL, INC.

Employer identification number

52-0976257

Organization type (check one):

Filers of:

Section:

Form 990 or 990-EZ

☒ 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

☒ For an organization described in section 501(c)(3) filing Form 990 or 990-EZ that met the 33 1/3% support test of the regulations under sections 509(a)(1) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi), that checked Schedule A (Form 990 or 990-EZ), Part II, line 13, 16a, or 16b, and that received from any one contributor, during the year, total contributions of the greater of (1) \$5,000 or (2) 2% of the amount on (i) Form 990, Part VIII, line 1h, or (ii) Form 990-EZ, line 1. Complete Parts I and II.

☐ For an organization described in section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) filing Form 990 or 990-EZ that received from any one contributor, during the year, total contributions of more than \$1,000 *exclusively* for religious, charitable, scientific, literary, or educational purposes, or for the prevention of cruelty to children or animals. Complete Parts I, II, and III.

☐ For an organization described in section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) filing Form 990 or 990-EZ that received from any one contributor, during the year, contributions *exclusively* for religious, charitable, etc., purposes, but no such contributions totaled more than \$1,000. If this box is checked, enter here the total contributions that were received during the year for an *exclusively* religious, charitable, etc., purpose. Don't complete any of the parts unless the **General Rule** applies to this organization because it received *nonexclusively* religious, charitable, etc., contributions totaling \$5,000 or more during the year ..... ▶ \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

(a) No.	(b) Name, address, and ZIP + 4	(c) Total contributions	(d) Type of contribution
1		\$ 1,700,000.	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
2		\$ 452,396.	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
3		\$ 272,506.	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
4		\$ 166,333.	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
5		\$ 124,400.	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
		\$	Person <input type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (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
		\$	
		\$	
		\$	
		\$	
		\$	
		\$	
		\$	
		\$	
		\$	
		\$	
		\$	

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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 info. once.) **\$** \_\_\_\_\_

Use duplicate copies of Part III if additional space is needed.

(a) No. from Part I	(b) Purpose of gift	(c) Use of gift	(d) Description of how gift is held
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	(e) Transfer of gift		
	Transferee's name, address, and ZIP + 4		Relationship of transferor to transferee
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**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? .....	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> 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? .....	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> 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).

<input type="checkbox"/> Preservation of land for public use (e.g., recreation or education)	<input type="checkbox"/> Preservation of a historically important land area
<input type="checkbox"/> Protection of natural habitat	<input type="checkbox"/> Preservation of a certified historic structure
<input type="checkbox"/> Preservation of open space	

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 .....

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**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 **d** ☐ Loan or exchange programs  
**b** ☐ Scholarly research **e** ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_  
**c** ☐ Preservation for future generations

**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
<b>c</b> Beginning balance	<b>1c</b>
<b>d</b> Additions during the year	<b>1d</b>
<b>e</b> Distributions during the year	<b>1e</b>
<b>f</b> Ending balance	<b>1f</b>

**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
<b>1a</b> Beginning of year balance	711,180.	681,490.	712,294.	661,141.	678,170.
<b>b</b> Contributions					
<b>c</b> Net investment earnings, gains, and losses	65,392.	59,607.	-12,271.	60,730.	62,481.
<b>d</b> Grants or scholarships					
<b>e</b> Other expenditures for facilities and programs	36,245.	29,917.	18,533.	9,577.	79,510.
<b>f</b> Administrative expenses					
<b>g</b> End of year balance	740,327.	711,180.	681,490.	712,294.	661,141.

**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 ☒ 79.91 %

**c** Temporarily restricted endowment ☒ 20.09 %

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
<b>(i)</b> unrelated organizations		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>(ii)</b> related organizations		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

**b** If "Yes" on line 3a(ii), are the related organizations listed as required on Schedule R? ☐

**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
<b>1a</b> Land				
<b>b</b> Buildings				
<b>c</b> Leasehold improvements		553,951.	4,166.	549,785.
<b>d</b> Equipment		88,285.	16,614.	71,671.
<b>e</b> Other		577,319.	7,249.	570,070.
<b>Total.</b> Add lines 1a through 1e. (Column (d) must equal Form 990, Part X, column (B), line 10c.)				1,191,526.

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**Part VII Investments - Other Securities.**

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) .....		
<b>Total.</b> (Col. (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col. (B) line 12.) ►		

**Part VIII Investments - Program Related.**

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) .....		
<b>Total.</b> (Col. (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col. (B) line 13.) ►		

**Part IX Other Assets.**

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) .....	
<b>Total.</b> (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col. (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.

1. (a) Description of liability	(b) Book value	
(1) Federal income taxes		
(2) DEFERRED RENT AND LEASE INCENTIVES	676,164.	
(3) DEPOSITS	60,657.	
(4) .....		
(5) .....		
(6) .....		
(7) .....		
(8) .....		
(9) .....		
<b>Total.</b> (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col. (B) line 25.) ►	736,821.	

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 ☒

**Part XI Reconciliation of Revenue per Audited Financial Statements With Revenue per Return.**

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 12a.

<b>1</b>	Total revenue, gains, and other support per audited financial statements	<b>1</b>	8,462,883.
<b>2</b>	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12:		
<b>a</b>	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	<b>2a</b>	298,312.
<b>b</b>	Donated services and use of facilities	<b>2b</b>	1,733,861.
<b>c</b>	Recoveries of prior year grants	<b>2c</b>	
<b>d</b>	Other (Describe in Part XIII.)	<b>2d</b>	66,463.
<b>e</b>	Add lines <b>2a</b> through <b>2d</b>	<b>2e</b>	2,098,636.
<b>3</b>	Subtract line <b>2e</b> from line <b>1</b>	<b>3</b>	6,364,247.
<b>4</b>	Amounts included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, but not on line 1:		
<b>a</b>	Investment expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b	<b>4a</b>	
<b>b</b>	Other (Describe in Part XIII.)	<b>4b</b>	
<b>c</b>	Add lines <b>4a</b> and <b>4b</b>	<b>4c</b>	0.
<b>5</b>	Total revenue. Add lines <b>3</b> and <b>4c</b> . (This must equal Form 990, Part I, line 12.)	<b>5</b>	6,364,247.

**Part XII Reconciliation of Expenses per Audited Financial Statements With Expenses per Return.**

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 12a.

<b>1</b>	Total expenses and losses per audited financial statements	<b>1</b>	8,769,830.
<b>2</b>	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part IX, line 25:		
<b>a</b>	Donated services and use of facilities	<b>2a</b>	1,733,861.
<b>b</b>	Prior year adjustments	<b>2b</b>	
<b>c</b>	Other losses	<b>2c</b>	
<b>d</b>	Other (Describe in Part XIII.)	<b>2d</b>	66,463.
<b>e</b>	Add lines <b>2a</b> through <b>2d</b>	<b>2e</b>	1,800,324.
<b>3</b>	Subtract line <b>2e</b> from line <b>1</b>	<b>3</b>	6,969,506.
<b>4</b>	Amounts included on Form 990, Part IX, line 25, but not on line 1:		
<b>a</b>	Investment expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b	<b>4a</b>	
<b>b</b>	Other (Describe in Part XIII.)	<b>4b</b>	
<b>c</b>	Add lines <b>4a</b> and <b>4b</b>	<b>4c</b>	0.
<b>5</b>	Total expenses. Add lines <b>3</b> and <b>4c</b> . (This must equal Form 990, Part I, line 18.)	<b>5</b>	6,969,506.

**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 V, LINE 4:**

EARNINGS FROM THE ENDOWMENT FUNDS ARE RECORDED AND MADE AVAILABLE FOR OPERATIONS THROUGH AN ANNUAL ALLOCATION OF UP TO 5% OF THE FUND. THE ALLOCATION IS BASED ON A THREE-YEAR ROLLING AVERAGE OF THE INVESTMENT'S MARKET VALUE, DETERMINED AS OF MARCH 31 OF THE YEAR PRIOR TO THE BUDGET YEAR. EACH YEAR, AS PART OF RIF'S BUDGETING PROCESS, RIF REVIEWS THE APPROPRIATE LEVEL OF PAYOUT FOR THE FOLLOWING FISCAL YEAR. FUND DISBURSEMENTS ARE PAID AT THE END OF EACH QUARTER IN THE FISCAL YEAR. EACH FUND'S OPERATING INCOME IS UTILIZED AS SET FORTH IN THE SPECIFIC APPLICABLE ENDOWMENT AGREEMENT. THE GENERAL ENDOWMENT FUND'S INCOME IS UTILIZED FOR GENERAL OPERATIONS.

**Part XIII** Supplemental Information (continued)

## PART X, LINE 2:

RIF EVALUATED ITS UNCERTAINTY IN INCOME TAXES FOR THE YEARS ENDED  
SEPTEMBER 30, 2017 AND 2016, AND DETERMINED THAT THERE WERE NO MATTERS  
THAT WOULD REQUIRE RECOGNITION IN THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS OR THAT MAY  
HAVE ANY EFFECT ON ITS TAX-EXEMPT STATUS.

## PART XI, LINE 2D - OTHER ADJUSTMENTS:

SPECIAL EVENT EXPENSES 66,463.

## PART XII, LINE 2D - OTHER ADJUSTMENTS:

SPECIAL EVENT EXPENSES 66,463.

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

**Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 17, 18, or 19, or if the organization entered more than \$15,000 on Form 990-EZ, line 6a.**

▶ Information about Schedule G (Form 990 or 990-EZ) and its instructions is at [www.irs.gov/form990](http://www.irs.gov/form990).

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# 2016

**Open to Public Inspection**

Name of the organization

READING IS FUNDAMENTAL, INC.

Employer identification number	
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52-0976257

## Part I

**Fundraising Activities.** Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 17. Form 990-EZ filers are not required to complete this part.

- 1** Indicate whether the organization raised funds through any of the following activities. Check all that apply.

- a ☒ Mail solicitations
- b ☒ Internet and email solicitations
- c ☒ Phone solicitations
- d ☒ In-person solicitations
- e ☒ Solicitation of non-government grants
- f ☒ Solicitation of government grants
- g ☒ Special fundraising events

- 2 a** Did the organization have a written or oral agreement with any individual (including officers, directors, trustees, or key employees listed in Form 990, Part VII) or entity in connection with professional fundraising services?

☒ Yes☐ No

- b** If "Yes," list the 10 highest paid individuals or entities (fundraisers) pursuant to agreements under which the fundraiser is to be compensated at least \$5,000 by the organization.

(i) Name and address of individual or entity (fundraiser)	(ii) Activity	(iii) Did fundraiser have custody or control of contributions?		(iv) Gross receipts from activity	(v) Amount paid to (or retained by) fundraiser listed in col. (i)	(vi) Amount paid to (or retained by) organization
		Yes	No			
LAUTMAN MASKA NEIL & COMPANY - 1730 RHODE ISLAND AVENUE,	DIRECT MAIL		X	840,000.	96,000.	744,000.
<b>Total</b> .....				840,000.	96,000.	744,000.

- 3** List all states in which the organization is registered or licensed to solicit contributions or has been notified it is exempt from registration or licensing.

AL, AK, AZ, AR, CA, CO, CT, DC, FL, GA, IL, IN, KS, KY, ME, MD, MA, MI, MN, MS, MO, NH, NJ, NM, NY  
NC, ND, OH, OK, OR, PA, RI, SC, TN, UT, VA, WA, WV, WI

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Schedule G (Form 990 or 990-EZ) 2016

SEE PART IV FOR CONTINUATIONS

**Part II Fundraising Events.** Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 18, or reported more than \$15,000 of fundraising event contributions and gross income on Form 990-EZ, lines 1 and 6b. List events with gross receipts greater than \$5,000.

		(a) Event #1 DC FRIENDRAISER	(b) Event #2 BOOKS AND BRUNCH EVENT	(c) Other events NONE	(d) Total events (add col. (a) through col. (c))
		(event type)	(event type)	(total number)	
Revenue	1	Gross receipts .....	67,021.	32,320.	99,341.
	2	Less: Contributions .....	61,021.	24,320.	85,341.
	3	Gross income (line 1 minus line 2) .....	6,000.	8,000.	14,000.
Direct Expenses	4	Cash prizes .....	0.	0.	
	5	Noncash prizes .....	532.	0.	532.
	6	Rent/facility costs .....	2,700.	2,913.	5,613.
	7	Food and beverages .....	5,340.	10,013.	15,353.
	8	Entertainment .....	500.	138.	638.
	9	Other direct expenses .....	34,266.	10,061.	44,327.
	10	Direct expense summary. Add lines 4 through 9 in column (d) .....			66,463.
	11	Net income summary. Subtract line 10 from line 3, column (d) .....			-52,463.

**Part III Gaming.** Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 19, or reported more than \$15,000 on Form 990-EZ, line 6a.

		(a) Bingo	(b) Pull tabs/instant bingo/progressive bingo	(c) Other gaming	(d) Total gaming (add col. (a) through col. (c))
Revenue	1	Gross revenue .....			
	2	Cash prizes .....			
Direct Expenses	3	Noncash prizes .....			
	4	Rent/facility costs .....			
	5	Other direct expenses .....			
	6	Volunteer labor .....	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes _____ % <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes _____ % <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes _____ % <input type="checkbox"/> No
	7	Direct expense summary. Add lines 2 through 5 in column (d) .....			
	8	Net gaming income summary. Subtract line 7 from line 1, column (d) .....			

9 Enter the state(s) in which the organization conducts gaming activities: \_\_\_\_\_

a Is the organization licensed to conduct gaming activities in each of these states? ☐ Yes ☐ No

b If "No," explain: \_\_\_\_\_

10a Were any of the organization's gaming licenses revoked, suspended, or terminated during the tax year? ☐ Yes ☐ No

b If "Yes," explain: \_\_\_\_\_

- 11** Does the organization conduct gaming activities with nonmembers? ☐ Yes ☐ No
- 12** Is the organization a grantor, beneficiary or trustee of a trust, or a member of a partnership or other entity formed to administer charitable gaming? ☐ Yes ☐ No
- 13** Indicate the percentage of gaming activity conducted in:
- |                                      |            |   |
|--------------------------------------|------------|---|
| <b>a</b> The organization's facility | <b>13a</b> | % |
| <b>b</b> An outside facility         | <b>13b</b> | % |
- 14** Enter the name and address of the person who prepares the organization's gaming/special events books and records:

Name ► \_\_\_\_\_

Address ► \_\_\_\_\_

- 15a** Does the organization have a contract with a third party from whom the organization receives gaming revenue? ☐ Yes ☐ No

**b** If "Yes," enter the amount of gaming revenue received by the organization ► \$ \_\_\_\_\_ and the amount of gaming revenue retained by the third party ► \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**c** If "Yes," enter name and address of the third party:

Name ► \_\_\_\_\_

Address ► \_\_\_\_\_

- 16** Gaming manager information:

Name ► \_\_\_\_\_

Gaming manager compensation ► \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Description of services provided ► \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Director/officer☐ Employee☐ Independent contractor

- 17** Mandatory distributions:

**a** Is the organization required under state law to make charitable distributions from the gaming proceeds to retain the state gaming license? ☐ Yes ☐ No

**b** Enter the amount of distributions required under state law to be distributed to other exempt organizations or spent in the organization's own exempt activities during the tax year ► \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Part IV** **Supplemental Information.** Provide the explanations required by Part I, line 2b, columns (iii) and (v); and Part III, lines 9, 9b, 10b, 15b, 15c, 16, and 17b, as applicable. Also provide any additional information. See instructions

**SCHEDULE G, PART I, LINE 2B, LIST OF TEN HIGHEST PAID FUNDRAISERS:**

(I) NAME OF FUNDRAISER: LAUTMAN MASKA NEIL & COMPANY

(I) ADDRESS OF FUNDRAISER:

1730 RHODE ISLAND AVENUE, NW, SUITE 301, WASHINGTON, DC 20036



<b>Part IV</b>	<b>Supplemental Information</b> <i>(continued)</i>
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**SCHEDULE I**  
**(Form 990)**

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

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

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 21 or 22.

▶ Attach to Form 990.

▶ Information about Schedule I (Form 990) and its instructions is at [www.irs.gov/form990](http://www.irs.gov/form990).

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**2016**

**Open to Public  
Inspection**

Name of the organization

**READING IS FUNDAMENTAL, INC.**

Employer identification number

**52-0976257**

**Part I General Information on Grants and Assistance**

**1** Does the organization maintain records to substantiate the amount of the grants or assistance, the grantees' eligibility for the grants or assistance, and the selection criteria used to award the grants or assistance? .....

☒ **Yes** ☐ **No**

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

**Part II Grants and Other Assistance to Domestic Organizations and Domestic Governments.** Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 21, for any recipient that received more than \$5,000. Part II can be duplicated if additional space is needed.

<b>1 (a)</b> Name and address of organization or government	<b>(b)</b> EIN	<b>(c)</b> IRC section (if applicable)	<b>(d)</b> Amount of cash grant	<b>(e)</b> Amount of non-cash assistance	<b>(f)</b> Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other)	<b>(g)</b> Description of noncash assistance	<b>(h)</b> Purpose of grant or assistance
READING IS FUNDAMENTAL OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA - 7250 BANDINI BLVD., STE. 209 - COMMERCE, CA 90040	23-7425712	501(C)(3)	0.	169,990.	FMV	BOOKS	TO FOSTER LITERACY
BROOKLYN PUBLIC LIBRARY 10 GRAND ARMY PLZ. BROOKLYN, NY 11238	11-1904261	501(C)(3)	0.	68,813.	FMV	BOOKS	TO FOSTER LITERACY
JEAN DEAN RIF P.O. BOX 848 OPELIKA, AL 36803	63-0997319	501(C)(3)	0.	65,000.	FMV	BOOKS	TO FOSTER LITERACY
DALLAS ISD 3700 ROSS AVE. STE. 72 DALLAS, TX 75204	75-6001278	N/A	0.	54,957.	FMV	BOOKS	TO FOSTER LITERACY
READ BOSTON 43 HAWKINS ST. BOSTON, MA 02114	04-2681311	501(C)(3)	0.	46,605.	FMV	BOOKS	TO FOSTER LITERACY
MIAMI-DADE FAMILY LEARNING PARTNERSHIP, INC. - 10800 BISCAYNE BLVD., STE. 500 - MIAMI, FL 33161	14-1916606	501(C)(3)	0.	45,690.	FMV	BOOKS	TO FOSTER LITERACY

**2** Enter total number of section 501(c)(3) and government organizations listed in the line 1 table ..... **52.**

**3** Enter total number of other organizations listed in the line 1 table ..... **8.**

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Schedule I (Form 990) (2016)

**Part II** Continuation of Grants and Other Assistance to Governments and Organizations in the United States (Schedule I (Form 990), Part II.)

(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
BESSEMER CITY SCHOOLS 1621 5TH AVE. NORTH BESSEMER, AL 35020	26-3323883	501(C)(3)	0.	41,442.	FMV	BOOKS	TO FOSTER LITERACY
SAN ANTONIO ISD LIBRARY MEDIA SERVICES - 1811 S LAREDO ST. - SAN ANTONIO, TX 78207	74-6002167	N/A	0.	35,088.	FMV	BOOKS	TO FOSTER LITERACY
READING IS FUNDAMENTAL IN CHICAGO 3 WESTBROOK CORP. CTR., STE. 200 WESTCHESTER, IL 60154	23-7248445	501(C)(3)	0.	25,651.	FMV	BOOKS	TO FOSTER LITERACY
MUSKINGUM IRA, RIF 205 N 7TH ST. ZANESVILLE, OH 43701	31-1525731	N/A	0.	21,278.	FMV	BOOKS	TO FOSTER LITERACY
PAGE AHEAD CHILDREN'S LITERACY PROGRAM - 1130 NW 85TH ST. - SEATTLE, WA 98117	91-1600084	501(C)(3)	0.	20,738.	FMV	BOOKS	TO FOSTER LITERACY
READ ALOUD AMERICA 250 HAUOLI, STE. 220 WAILUKU, HI 96793	99-0323798	501(C)(3)	0.	18,590.	FMV	BOOKS	TO FOSTER LITERACY
SOUTHWEST HUMAN DEVELOPMENT (BFOS) 2806 N 24TH ST. PHOENIX, AZ 85008	86-0407179	501(C)(3)	0.	18,376.	FMV	BOOKS	TO FOSTER LITERACY
RIF OF NORTHERN VIRGINIA P.O. BOX 7012 ARLINGTON, VA 22207	51-0155758	501(C)(3)	0.	17,274.	FMV	BOOKS	TO FOSTER LITERACY
LANSING SCHOOL DISTRICT 2400 PATTENGILL AVE. LANSING, MI 48910	38-6001599	501(C)(3)	0.	17,110.	FMV	BOOKS	TO FOSTER LITERACY

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(a) Name and address of organization or government	(b) EIN	(c) IRC section if applicable	(d) Amount of cash grant	(e) Amount of non-cash assistance	(f) Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other)	(g) Description of non-cash assistance	(h) Purpose of grant or assistance
SUNFLOWER COUNTY CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT - 404 JEFFERSON ST. - INDIANOLA, MS 38751	46-4432711	501(C)(3)	0.	15,622.	FMV	BOOKS	TO FOSTER LITERACY
MCADORY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL 6251 EASTERN VALLEY RD. MC CALLA, AL 35111	63-6000945	501(C)(3)	0.	15,180.	FMV	BOOKS	TO FOSTER LITERACY
BOOK SPRING 2006 GREENBROOK PKWY. AUSTIN, TX 78723	74-2542664	501(C)(3)	0.	14,004.	FMV	BOOKS	TO FOSTER LITERACY
MONTELLO SCHOOL 407 EAST AVE. LEWISTON, ME 04240	01-0447384	501(C)(3)	0.	12,582.	FMV	BOOKS	TO FOSTER LITERACY
READING IS FUNDAMENTAL PITTSBURGH 10 CHILDRENS WAY, STE. 300 PITTSBURGH, PA 15212	25-1558336	501(C)(3)	0.	11,814.	FMV	BOOKS	TO FOSTER LITERACY
READING SCHOOL DISTRICT 800 WASHINGTON ST. READING, PA 19601	23-6004134	501(C)(3)	0.	11,336.	FMV	BOOKS	TO FOSTER LITERACY
YORK COUNTY COMMUNITY ACTION WIC PROGRAM - 6 SPRUCE ST. - SANFORD, ME 04073	01-6020406	501(C)(3)	0.	11,264.	FMV	BOOKS	TO FOSTER LITERACY
LEHIGH VALLEY PUBLIC TELECOMMUNICATION CORPORATION - 839 SESAME ST. - BETHLEHEM, PA 18015	23-1642883	501(C)(3)	0.	11,138.	FMV	BOOKS	TO FOSTER LITERACY
COMMUNITIES IN SCHOOLS OF ATLANTA 260 PEACHTREE ST., NW, STE. 750 ATLANTA, GA 30303	58-1152807	501(C)(3)	0.	11,040.	FMV	BOOKS	TO FOSTER LITERACY

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(a) Name and address of organization or government	(b) EIN	(c) IRC section if applicable	(d) Amount of cash grant	(e) Amount of non-cash assistance	(f) Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other)	(g) Description of non-cash assistance	(h) Purpose of grant or assistance
FLETCHER FREE LIBRARY 235 COLLEGE ST. BURLINGTON, VT 05401	31-1774892	501(C)(3)	0.	10,977.	FMV	BOOKS	TO FOSTER LITERACY
COMMUNITIES IN SCHOOLS OF GREATER NEW ORLEANS, INC. - 3701 CANAL ST., APT F - NEW ORLEANS, LA 70119	72-1317054	501(C)(3)	0.	10,458.	FMV	BOOKS	TO FOSTER LITERACY
DELTA LAMBDA RIF PROJECT 24780 SANTA RITA ST. CARMEL, CA 93923	94-6130720	N/A	0.	10,192.	FMV	BOOKS	TO FOSTER LITERACY
TURNING THE PAGE 1010 VERMONT AVE., NW, STE. 915 WASHINGTON, DC 20005	52-2081934	501(C)(3)	0.	10,120.	FMV	BOOKS	TO FOSTER LITERACY
WILLAMETTE EDUCATION SERVICE DISTRICT (MIGRANT) - 2611 PRINGLE ROAD, SE - SALEM, OR 97302	93-1318631	N/A	0.	9,995.	FMV	BOOKS	TO FOSTER LITERACY
DISTRICT 279 FOUNDATION 11200 93RD AVE. N MAPLE GROVE, MN 55369	41-1705060	501(C)(3)	0.	9,112.	FMV	BOOKS	TO FOSTER LITERACY
MIAMI VALLEY CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTERS, INC. - 215 HORACE ST. - DAYTON, OH 45402	31-0713127	501(C)(3)	0.	9,000.	FMV	BOOKS	TO FOSTER LITERACY
GEIGER ELEMENTARY 601 COLLEGE ST. LEWISTON, ME 04240	01-0447384	501(C)(3)	0.	8,758.	FMV	BOOKS	TO FOSTER LITERACY
MCMAHON SCHOOL 151 NORTH TEMPLE ST. LEWISTON, ME 04240	01-0447384	501(C)(3)	0.	8,747.	FMV	BOOKS	TO FOSTER LITERACY

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FRESNO COUNTY OFFICE OF EDUCATION (MIGRANT) - 1684 W SHAW AVE. - FRESNO, CA 93711	94-6002210	N/A	0.	8,632.	FMV	BOOKS	TO FOSTER LITERACY
THE PUBLIC EDUCATION FOUNDATION 3360 W SAHARA AVE., STE. 160 LAS VEGAS, NV 89102	88-0275767	501(C)(3)	0.	8,204.	FMV	BOOKS	TO FOSTER LITERACY
SCHOOL DISTRICT OF LANCASTER 251 S PRINCE ST. LANCASTER, PA 17603	23-1726414	501(C)(3)	0.	7,916.	FMV	BOOKS	TO FOSTER LITERACY
READ ALOUD DELAWARE 9 EAST LOOCKERMAN ST., STE. 203 DOVER, DE 19904	51-0280486	501(C)(3)	0.	7,852.	FMV	BOOKS	TO FOSTER LITERACY
WEST BRISTOL, SOUTH SIDE, GREENE HILLS F.R.C. - 500 CLARK AVE. - BRISTOL, CT 06010	06-6001866	N/A	0.	7,848.	FMV	BOOKS	TO FOSTER LITERACY
NORTHVIEW/WESTVIEW ELEMENTARY 725 E NORTH H ST. GAS CITY, IN 46933	35-6002529	501(C)(3)	0.	7,590.	FMV	BOOKS	TO FOSTER LITERACY
ALLEN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL 1115 E BRADFORD ST. MARION, IN 46952	35-6002617	501(C)(3)	0.	7,564.	FMV	BOOKS	TO FOSTER LITERACY
NORTH PENN SCHOOL DISTRICT 401 E HANCOCK ST. LANSDALE, PA 19446	23-1670665	501(C)(3)	0.	7,426.	FMV	BOOKS	TO FOSTER LITERACY
LONGLEY SCHOOL 145 BIRCH ST. LEWISTON, ME 04240	01-0447384	501(C)(3)	0.	7,308.	FMV	BOOKS	TO FOSTER LITERACY

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(a) Name and address of organization or government	(b) EIN	(c) IRC section if applicable	(d) Amount of cash grant	(e) Amount of non-cash assistance	(f) Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other)	(g) Description of non-cash assistance	(h) Purpose of grant or assistance
ALLEN COUNTY PRIMARY CENTER 721 NEW GALLATIN RD. SCOTTSVILLE, KY 42164	61-6001355	N/A	0.	7,294.	FMV	BOOKS	TO FOSTER LITERACY
STAMFORD PUBLIC EDUCATION FOUNDATION (RIF OF STAMFORD) - 733 SUMMER ST., STE. 203 - STAMFORD, CT 06901	06-1462359	501(C)(3)	0.	7,000.	FMV	BOOKS	TO FOSTER LITERACY
MARTEL SCHOOL 880 LISBON ST. LEWISTON, ME 04240	01-0447384	501(C)(3)	0.	6,974.	FMV	BOOKS	TO FOSTER LITERACY
BETHLEHEM AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT 1516 SYCAMORE ST. BETHLEHEM, PA 18017	24-0862592	501(C)(3)	0.	6,810.	FMV	BOOKS	TO FOSTER LITERACY
MANNING PRIMARY 125 NORTH BOUNDARY ST. MANNING, SC 29102	57-6000708	501(C)(3)	0.	6,604.	FMV	BOOKS	TO FOSTER LITERACY
EASTERLING PRIMARY 600 EAST NORTHSIDE AVE. MARION, SC 29571	45-5423078	501(C)(3)	0.	6,068.	FMV	BOOKS	TO FOSTER LITERACY
LATTA ELEMENTARY 300 VIKING DR. DILLON, SC 29565	57-6000343	501(C)(3)	0.	5,906.	FMV	BOOKS	TO FOSTER LITERACY
HANOVER AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT 1600 SANS SOUCI PKWY. HANOVER TOWNSHIP, PA 18706	23-1738341	501(C)(3)	0.	5,858.	FMV	BOOKS	TO FOSTER LITERACY
EASTON AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT RIF 1801 BUSHKILL DR. EASTON, PA 18040	23-1726731	501(C)(3)	0.	5,748.	FMV	BOOKS	TO FOSTER LITERACY

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**Part II** Continuation of Grants and Other Assistance to Governments and Organizations in the United States (Schedule I (Form 990), Part II.)

(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
BENNETTSVILLE PRIMARY SCHOOL 301 JEFFERSON ST. BENNETTSVILLE, SC 29512	57-6000387	501(C)(3)	0.	5,736.	FMV	BOOKS	TO FOSTER LITERACY
COLLEGE HEIGHTS ELEMENTARY 2551 SUNNY LN. BAKERSFIELD, CA 93305	95-6000671	501(C)(3)	0.	5,656.	FMV	BOOKS	TO FOSTER LITERACY
HATTIE COTTON STEM MAGNET ELEMENTARY - 1033 W GREENWOOD AVE. - NASHVILLE, TN 37206	62-0717138	501(C)(3)	0.	5,584.	FMV	BOOKS	TO FOSTER LITERACY
HAZLETON AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT 1515 W 23RD ST. HAZLE TOWNSHIP, PA 18202	23-1667968	501(C)(3)	0.	5,510.	FMV	BOOKS	TO FOSTER LITERACY
PLAINVIEW PRIMARY/INTERMEDIATE ELEMENTARY - 1140 S PLAINVIEW RD. - ARDMORE, OK 73401	75-1583261	501(C)(3)	0.	5,464.	FMV	BOOKS	TO FOSTER LITERACY
HIGH SPRINGS COMMUNITY SCHOOL 1015 N MAIN ST. HIGH SPRINGS, FL 32643	59-6000500	501(C)(3)	0.	5,386.	FMV	BOOKS	TO FOSTER LITERACY
JAMES L. MASTERS ELEMENTARY 2650 WOODLAKE PKWY. CONVERSE, TX 78109	74-1556846	501(C)(3)	0.	5,294.	FMV	BOOKS	TO FOSTER LITERACY
SOUTH BOSTON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL 2320 PARKER AVE. SELECT ONE, VA 24592	54-6001335	501(C)(3)	0.	5,280.	FMV	BOOKS	TO FOSTER LITERACY
JOSEPH HOPKINS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL 2440 ACKERMAN RD. KIRBY, TX 78219	74-1556846	501(C)(3)	0.	5,134.	FMV	BOOKS	TO FOSTER LITERACY

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**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 noncash assistance

**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:

THERE IS NO NEED TO MONITOR THE USE OF FUNDS AS ALL FUNDS ARE IN RIF'S  
CONTROL AND CAN ONLY BE USED TO PURCHASE APPROVED TITLES MADE AVAILABLE TO  
PROGRAMS THROUGH A WEB-BASED PORTAL. BOOK AWARDS ARE LIMITED TO A LIST OF  
TITLES SCREENED AND APPROVED BY AN ACADEMIC ADVISORY PANEL WITH EXPERTISE  
IN LITERACY EDUCATION.

**SCHEDULE J  
(Form 990)**

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

**Compensation Information**

For certain Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest  
Compensated Employees

▶ Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 23.

▶ Attach to Form 990.

▶ Information about Schedule J (Form 990) and its instructions is at [www.irs.gov/form990](http://www.irs.gov/form990).

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**Part I Questions Regarding Compensation**

**1a** Check the appropriate box(es) if the organization provided any of the following to or for a person listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a. Complete Part III to provide any relevant information regarding these items.

- |  |   |
|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> First-class or charter travel             | <input type="checkbox"/> Housing allowance or residence for personal use    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Travel for companions                     | <input type="checkbox"/> Payments for business use of personal residence    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Tax indemnification and gross-up payments | <input type="checkbox"/> Health or social club dues or initiation fees      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Discretionary spending account            | <input type="checkbox"/> Personal services (such as, maid, chauffeur, chef) |

**b** If any of the boxes on line 1a are checked, did the organization follow a written policy regarding payment or reimbursement or provision of all of the expenses described above? If "No," complete Part III to explain .....

**2** Did the organization require substantiation prior to reimbursing or allowing expenses incurred by all directors, trustees, and officers, including the CEO/Executive Director, regarding the items checked on line 1a? .....

**3** Indicate which, if any, of the following the filing organization used to establish the compensation of the organization's CEO/Executive Director. Check all that apply. Do not check any boxes for methods used by a related organization to establish compensation of the CEO/Executive Director, but explain in Part III.

- |   |   |
|---|---|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Compensation committee              | <input type="checkbox"/> Written employment contract                                |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Independent compensation consultant | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Compensation survey or study                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Form 990 of other organizations                | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Approval by the board or compensation committee |

**4** During the year, did any person listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, with respect to the filing organization or a related organization:

**a** Receive a severance payment or change-of-control payment? .....

**b** Participate in, or receive payment from, a supplemental nonqualified retirement plan? .....

**c** Participate in, or receive payment from, an equity-based compensation arrangement? .....

If "Yes" to any of lines 4a-c, list the persons and provide the applicable amounts for each item in Part III.

**Only section 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations must complete lines 5-9.**

**5** For persons listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization pay or accrue any compensation contingent on the revenues of:

**a** The organization? .....

**b** Any related organization? .....

If "Yes" on line 5a or 5b, describe in Part III.

**6** For persons listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization pay or accrue any compensation contingent on the net earnings of:

**a** The organization? .....

**b** Any related organization? .....

If "Yes" on line 6a or 6b, describe in Part III.

**7** For persons listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization provide any nonfixed payments not described on lines 5 and 6? If "Yes," describe in Part III .....

**8** Were any amounts reported on Form 990, Part VII, paid or accrued pursuant to a contract that was subject to the initial contract exception described in Regulations section 53.4958-4(a)(3)? If "Yes," describe in Part III .....

**9** If "Yes" on line 8, did the organization also follow the rebuttable presumption procedure described in Regulations section 53.4958-6(c)? .....

Yes No

<b>1b</b>		
<b>2</b>		
<b>4a</b>	X	
<b>4b</b>		X
<b>4c</b>		X
<b>5a</b>		X
<b>5b</b>		X
<b>6a</b>		X
<b>6b</b>		X
<b>7</b>		X
<b>8</b>		X
<b>9</b>		

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Schedule J (Form 990) 2016

**Part II Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees.** Use duplicate copies if additional space is needed.

For each individual whose compensation must be reported on Schedule J, report compensation from the organization on row (i) and from related organizations, described in the instructions, on row (ii). Do not list any individuals that aren't listed on Form 990, Part VII.

**Note:** The sum of columns (B)(i)-(iii) for each listed individual must equal the total amount of Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, applicable column (D) and (E) amounts for that individual.

(A) Name and Title		(B) Breakdown of W-2 and/or 1099-MISC compensation			(C) Retirement and other deferred compensation	(D) Nontaxable benefits	(E) Total of columns (B)(i)-(D)	(F) Compensation in column (B) reported as deferred on prior Form 990
		(i) Base compensation	(ii) Bonus & incentive compensation	(iii) Other reportable compensation				
(1) TRACEY BEEKER VP OF MARKETING - UNTIL 11/2016	(i)	132,829.	0.	11,038.	5,933.	7,337.	157,137.	0.
	(ii)	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.
(2) AILEEN C. MOFFATT BUCKNER VP OF DEVELOPMENT - UNTIL 11/2016	(i)	131,673.	0.	11,590.	6,546.	8,201.	158,010.	0.
	(ii)	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.
(3) CAROL H. RASCO - UNTIL 09/2016 FORMER PRESIDENT AND CEO	(i)	210,371.	0.	0.	9,382.	11,384.	231,137.	0.
	(ii)	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.
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	(ii)							

**Part III** Supplemental Information

Provide the information, explanation, or descriptions required for Part I, lines 1a, 1b, 3, 4a, 4b, 4c, 5a, 5b, 6a, 6b, 7, and 8, and for Part II. Also complete this part for any additional information.

**PART I, LINE 4A:**

TRACEY BEEKER, VP OF MARKETING, AND AILEEN C. MOFFATT BUCKNER, VP OF  
DEVELOPMENT, EACH RECEIVED A SEVERANCE PAYMENT OF \$11,038 AND \$11,590 FOR  
THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2016, RESPECTIVELY.

**SCHEDULE M  
(Form 990)**Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service**Noncash Contributions**

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- ▶ **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](http://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 .....	X		498,074.	FMV
5 Clothing and household goods .....				
6 Cars and other vehicles .....				
7 Boats and planes .....				
8 Intellectual property .....				
9 Securities - Publicly traded .....	X	4	8,201.	FMV
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 ▶ ( .....				
26 Other ▶ ( .....				
27 Other ▶ ( .....				
28 Other ▶ ( .....				

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 isn't required to be used for  
exempt purposes for the entire holding period? .....

b If "Yes," describe the arrangement in Part II.

31 Does the organization have a gift acceptance policy that requires the review of any nonstandard contributions? .....

32a Does the organization hire or use third parties or related organizations to solicit, process, or sell noncash  
contributions? .....

b If "Yes," describe in Part II.

33 If the organization didn't report an amount in column (c) for a type of property for which column (a) is checked,  
describe in Part II.

	Yes	No
30a		X
31		X
32a		X
33		

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Schedule M (Form 990) (2016)

**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 M, PART I, COLUMN (B):**

**RIF REPORTS THE NUMBER OF CONTRIBUTORS IN PART I, COLUMN(B).**

**SCHEDULE O**  
**(Form 990 or 990-EZ)**

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

**Supplemental Information to Form 990 or 990-EZ**

Complete to provide information for responses to specific questions on  
Form 990 or 990-EZ or to provide any additional information.

▶ Attach to Form 990 or 990-EZ.

▶ Information about Schedule O (Form 990 or 990-EZ) and its instructions is at [www.irs.gov/form990](http://www.irs.gov/form990).

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FORM 990, PART III, LINE 1, DESCRIPTION OF ORGANIZATION MISSION:

CREATES INNOVATIVE LITERACY SOLUTIONS TO ENSURE ALL CHILDREN HAVE THE  
OPPORTUNITY TO READ AND SUCCEED. THROUGH ARRANGEMENTS WITH BOOK  
PUBLISHERS AND DISTRIBUTORS, RIF MAXIMIZES THE IMPACT OF EVERY DOLLAR  
AND DONATION, HELPING CHILDREN ACHIEVE THEIR FULL POTENTIAL THROUGH THE  
LIFE-CHANGING POWER OF LITERACY. RIF PROVIDES BOOKS AND SUPPORTING  
LITERACY RESOURCES TO REACH CHILDREN WHERE THEY ARE IN NEED WITH THE  
HELP OF THOUSANDS OF VOLUNTEERS AND LOCAL PROGRAMS THROUGHOUT THE  
COUNTRY.

FORM 990, PART III, LINE 2, NEW PROGRAM SERVICES:

RIF INTRODUCED THE DIGITAL PROGRAMS AS A NEW PROGRAM SERVICE DURING THE  
FY17. PLEASE REFER BELOW, FORM 990, PART III, LINE 4D, OTHER PROGRAM  
SERVICES, FOR A DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE DIGITAL PROGRAMS.

FORM 990, PART III, LINE 4A, PROGRAM SERVICE ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

CORPORATE FUNDERS TO ACTIVELY PARTICIPATE. FOCUSING ON ACCESS AND  
CHOICE, STUDENTS IN COMMUNITIES THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY PARTICIPATE IN  
RIF'S FLAGSHIP PROGRAM, BOOKS FOR OWNERSHIP, SELECTING NEW,  
AGE-APPROPRIATE BOOKS TO TAKE HOME AND OWN. THE PROGRAM'S INTEGRATED  
APPROACH TO LITERACY PROVIDES SUPPORTING RESOURCES TO TEACHERS AND  
INSPIRES CHILDREN TO LEARN THROUGH TWO ANNUAL EVENTS FOCUSED ON BOOK  
DISTRIBUTION AND READING. THESE BOOKS ARE FURTHER SUPPORTED THROUGH  
DIGITAL RESOURCES ON RIF'S LITERACY CENTRAL.

FORM 990, PART III, LINE 4B, PROGRAM SERVICE ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

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INNOVATIVE APPROACHES TO LITERACY GRANT FROM THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, RIF'S READING PROGRAM HELPED REVERSE THE TREND OF SUMMER LEARNING LOSS FOR MORE THAN HALF OF PARTICIPATING STUDENTS IN THE STUDY. IN ADDITION, 57% OF STUDENTS SAW GAINS IN READING PROFICIENCY WHEN TESTED FROM SPRING TO FALL. READ FOR SUCCESS IS CENTERED AROUND MOTIVATING CHILDREN TO READ BY PROVIDING ACCESS TO HIGH-QUALITY CLASSROOM BOOK COLLECTIONS, SUMMER BOOKS FOR STUDENTS TO CHOOSE AND OWN, ENRICHING STEM-THEMED (SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, ENGINEERING, THE ARTS AND MATHEMATICS) CLASSROOM ACTIVITIES, PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT FOR TEACHERS, AND PARENT ENGAGEMENT.

RIF CONDUCTS LITERACY TRAINING FOR EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATORS. THIS TRAINING IS DESIGNED TO SUPPORT CHILDREN'S EMERGING LANGUAGE AND LITERACY SKILLS AS WELL AS INCLUDING PARENTS AS THEIR CHILDREN'S FIRST TEACHERS. THE TRAINING IS DONE THROUGH A "TRAIN THE TRAINER" MODEL THAT PREPARES PARTICIPANTS TO RETURN TO THEIR COMMUNITIES AND DELIVER THE TRAINING TO THEIR COLLEAGUES AND COMMUNITIES.

RIF HOSTS OTHER LITERACY EVENTS WHICH HELP PROMOTE LITERACY AND INFORM OTHERS ABOUT ITS MISSION.

RIF CONTRACTS WITH INDEPENDENT OUTSIDE EXPERTS TO EVALUATE RIF'S PROGRAM ACTIVITIES TO IDENTIFY AREAS OF NEED AND ESTABLISH PROCEDURES FOR CONTINUOUS QUALITY IMPROVEMENT.

FORM 990, PART III, LINE 4D, OTHER PROGRAM SERVICES:

DIGITAL PROGRAMS: RIF'S DIGITAL PORTFOLIO OF PRODUCTS INCLUDES LITERACY CENTRAL, LITERACY NETWORK AND THE LITERACY APP.



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LITERACY CENTRAL IS AN ONLINE DESTINATION FOR TEACHERS, PARENTS, AND LITERACY VOLUNTEERS TO GET THOUSANDS OF FREE DIGITAL RESOURCES TIED DIRECTLY TO THE BOOKS CHILDREN LOVE AND TEACHERS TURN TO EVERYDAY. THE PORTAL PROVIDES TOOLS TO EASILY ORGANIZE AND KEEP READING RESOURCES IN ONE PLACE WITH CUSTOMIZABLE BOOK LISTS, PRINTABLE LESSON PLANS, ACTIVITIES, GAMES, READING PASSAGES, CALENDARS, AND VIDEOS.

LITERACY NETWORK: THIS IS RIF'S COMMUNITY PORTAL DESIGNED TO SUPPORT RIF PROGRAMS AND VOLUNTEERS ACROSS THE COUNTRY, AND MOST IMPORTANTLY, REACH MORE CHILDREN WITH LIFE-CHANGING LITERACY SUPPORT. THIS IS THE DESTINATION FOR ALL OF THE RESOURCES AND SUPPORT NEEDED TO BE AN EFFECTIVE LOCAL LITERACY CHAMPION - WHETHER AN INDIVIDUAL WHO WANTS TO VOLUNTEER, ONE OF OUR COMMUNITY PARTNERS, A SCHOOL THAT WANTS TO IMPLEMENT A RIF PROGRAM, OR ONE OF OUR LOCAL RIF ORGANIZATIONS.

THE RIF LITERACY APP IS A FREE RESOURCE THAT ALLOWS USERS TO SCAN AN ISBN BAR CODE OF A SPECIFIC BOOK AND LAUNCH THE LITERACY CENTRAL WEBPAGE DEDICATED TO ACTIVITIES, GAMES, AND HELPFUL TIPS SPECIFIC TO THE BOOK. CHILDREN ARE MOTIVATED TO STAY ENGAGED WITH READING THROUGH COUNTLESS ADVENTURES THAT START WITH JUST ONE BOOK. PARENTS AND EDUCATORS HAVE AN EASY, TRUSTED TOOL DESIGNED TO CREATE A CULTURE OF LITERACY FOR LASTING IMPACT.

EXPENSES \$ 331,722. INCLUDING GRANTS OF \$ 0. REVENUE \$ 0.

FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION B, LINE 11B:

RIF'S FINANCE/AUDIT COMMITTEE OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS REVIEWS THE FEDERAL FORM 990. IT IS THEN DISTRIBUTED TO THE ENTIRE BOARD OF DIRECTORS BEFORE IT

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IS FILED WITH THE INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE (IRS).

FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION B, LINE 12C:

RIF'S CONFLICT OF INTEREST POLICY ("POLICY") APPLIES TO BOARD MEMBERS, OFFICERS AND RIF SENIOR MANAGERS (COLLECTIVELY "RIF INSIDERS"). THE POLICY REQUIRES THAT A RIF INSIDER DISCLOSES ANY POTENTIAL CONFLICT TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OR A DESIGNATED COMMITTEE OF THE BOARD. VIOLATIONS OF THE POLICY WILL RESULT IN APPROPRIATE DISCIPLINARY AND CORRECTIVE ACTION, UP TO AND INCLUDING DISMISSAL.

RIF INSIDERS ARE REQUIRED TO ANNUALLY SIGN A STATEMENT AFFIRMING THAT HE OR SHE:

- HAS RECEIVED A COPY OF THE POLICY,
- HAS READ AND UNDERSTANDS THE POLICY,
- HAS AGREED TO COMPLY WITH, AND HAS COMPLIED WITH THE POLICY,
- UNDERSTANDS THAT RIF IS A CHARITABLE AND EDUCATIONAL ORGANIZATION AND THAT, IN ORDER TO MAINTAIN ITS FEDERAL TAX EXEMPTION AND PRESERVE RIF'S VALUABLE REPUTATION, RIF MUST ENGAGE PRIMARILY IN ACTIVITIES THAT ACCOMPLISH ITS TAX EXEMPT PURPOSE.

FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION B, LINE 15A:

TO BEGIN THE ANNUAL EVALUATION OF THE PRESIDENT AND CEO, THE CHAIR OF THE BOARD FIRST SOLICITS INPUT FROM ALL BOARD MEMBERS CONCERNING THE PRESIDENT'S PERFORMANCE. THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE THEN CONSIDERS THE INPUT OF THE RESPONDING BOARD MEMBERS IN ITS REVIEW OF THE PRESIDENT AND CEO, AND REPORTS BACK TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS ITS EVALUATION. THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE THEN SHARES ITS EVALUATION WITH THE PRESIDENT AND CEO.

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THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE THEN CONSULTS COMPARABILITY SURVEYS TO DETERMINE THE PRESIDENT AND CEO'S COMPENSATION FOR THE NEXT YEAR.

FORM 990, PART VI, LINE 17, LIST OF STATES RECEIVING COPY OF FORM 990:

AL,AK,AR,AZ,CA,CT,FL,GA,HI,IL,IN,KS,KY,ME,MD,MA,MI,MN,MS,NH,NJ,NM,NY,NC,ND  
OH,OK,PA,RI,SC,TN,UT,VA,WA,WV,WI

FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION C, LINE 19:

RIF SUBMITS ITS AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, FEDERAL FORM 990 AND IRS LETTER OF DETERMINATION (OF RIF'S TAX EXEMPT STATUS) TO GUIDESTAR FOR PUBLICATION ON THAT SERVICE. RIF ALSO PUBLISHES ITS FEDERAL FORM 990 ON ITS OWN WEBSITE. TO DATE, RIF HAS NOT PUBLISHED ITS CONFLICT OF INTEREST POLICY FOR ACCESS BY THE GENERAL PUBLIC. ALL DOCUMENTS, INCLUDING OUR GOVERNING DOCUMENTS, THE FEDERAL FORMS 1023 AND 990-T ARE ALSO AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST.