

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

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A For the 2015 calendar year, or tax year beginning 07/01/15, and ending 06/30/16

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

C Name of organization: TUCSON BOTANICAL GARDENS
 Doing business as: _____
 Number and street (or P.O. box if mail is not delivered to street address): 2150 N. ALVERNON WAY Room/suite: _____
 City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code: TUCSON AZ 85712

D Employer identification number: 23-7037310
E Telephone number: 520-326-9686
G Gross receipts \$: 2,026,694

F Name and address of principal officer:
MICHELLE CONKLIN
2150 N. ALVERNON WAY
TUCSON AZ 85712

H(a) Is this a group return for subordinates? Yes No
H(b) Are all subordinates included? Yes No
 If "No," attach a list. (see instructions)

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

J Website: WWW.TUCSONBOTANICAL.ORG **H(c)** Group exemption number: _____

K Form of organization: Corporation Trust Association Other **L** Year of formation: 1968 **M** State of legal domicile: AZ

Part I Summary

Activities & Governance	1 Briefly describe the organization's mission or most significant activities: <u>TO PROMOTE RESPONSIBLE AND APPROPRIATE USE OF PLANTS AND WATER IN A DESERT ENVIRONMENT THROUGH EDUCATION AND DEMONSTRATION AND TO PROVIDE A PLACE OF BEAUTY AND TRANQUILITY FOR TUCSON RESIDENTS AND VISITORS.</u>		
	2 Check this box <input type="checkbox"/> if the organization discontinued its operations or disposed of more than 25% of its net assets.		
	3 Number of voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1a)	3	<u>17</u>
	4 Number of independent voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1b)	4	<u>17</u>
	5 Total number of individuals employed in calendar year 2015 (Part V, line 2a)	5	<u>50</u>
	6 Total number of volunteers (estimate if necessary)	6	<u>220</u>
	7a Total unrelated business revenue from Part VIII, column (C), line 12	7a	<u>988</u>
b Net unrelated business taxable income from Form 990-T, line 34	7b	<u>0</u>	
Revenue	8 Contributions and grants (Part VIII, line 1h)	Prior Year	Current Year
	9 Program service revenue (Part VIII, line 2g)	<u>904,027</u>	<u>752,975</u>
	10 Investment income (Part VIII, column (A), lines 3, 4, and 7d)	<u>718,070</u>	<u>844,368</u>
	11 Other revenue (Part VIII, column (A), lines 5, 6d, 8c, 9c, 10c, and 11e)	<u>5,257</u>	<u>5,678</u>
	12 Total revenue - add lines 8 through 11 (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	<u>65,143</u>	<u>74,617</u>
Expenses	13 Grants and similar amounts paid (Part IX, column (A), lines 1-3)		<u>0</u>
	14 Benefits paid to or for members (Part IX, column (A), line 4)		<u>0</u>
	15 Salaries, other compensation, employee benefits (Part IX, column (A), lines 5-10)	<u>752,460</u>	<u>754,904</u>
	16a Professional fundraising fees (Part IX, column (A), line 11e)	<u>500</u>	<u>53,494</u>
	b Total fundraising expenses (Part IX, column (D), line 25) <u>169,779</u>		
17 Other expenses (Part IX, column (A), lines 11a-11d, 11f-24e)	<u>533,892</u>	<u>796,222</u>	
18 Total expenses. Add lines 13-17 (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	<u>1,286,852</u>	<u>1,604,620</u>	
19 Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 18 from line 12	<u>405,645</u>	<u>73,018</u>	
Net Assets or Fund Balances	20 Total assets (Part X, line 16)	Beginning of Current Year	End of Year
	21 Total liabilities (Part X, line 26)	<u>4,435,818</u>	<u>4,312,940</u>
	22 Net assets or fund balances. Subtract line 21 from line 20	<u>675,602</u>	<u>483,709</u>
		<u>3,760,216</u>	<u>3,829,231</u>

Part II Signature Block

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

Sign Here

Signature of officer: MICHELLE CONKLIN Date: _____
 Type or print name and title: EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Paid Preparer Use Only

Print/Type preparer's name: JULIE S. KLEWER, CPA Preparer's signature: _____ Date: _____
 Check if self-employed if PTIN P00343046

Firm's name: LUDWIG KLEWER & CO. PLLC Firm's EIN: 36-4538293
 Firm's address: 4783 E CAMP LOWELL DR TUCSON, AZ 85712 Phone no.: 520-545-0500

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

Part III Statement of Program Service Accomplishments

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

1 Briefly describe the organization's mission:

TO PROMOTE RESPONSIBLE AND APPROPRIATE USE OF PLANTS AND WATER IN A DESERT ENVIRONMENT THROUGH EDUCATION AND DEMONSTRATION AND TO PROVIDE A PLACE OF BEAUTY AND TRANQUILITY FOR TUCSON RESIDENTS AND VISITORS.

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 [X] No

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

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

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

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

4a (Code:) (Expenses \$ 781,323 including grants of \$) (Revenue \$ 812,338)

GARDEN PLANT COLLECTIONS AND EXHIBITS NAMED BY READER'S DIGEST MAGAZINE, THE BEST SECRET GARDEN IN AMERICA, THE TUCSON BOTANICAL GARDENS HAS CONSISTENTLY BEEN AWARDED THE BEST GARDEN IN TUCSON BY THE TUCSON COMMUNITY. A 5.5 ACRE URBAN PUBLIC GARDEN WITH 17 SPECIALTY GARDENS ALL DESIGNED IN RESIDENTIAL SCALE, THE GARDENS COLLECTION EXCEED 4,800 PLANTS. THE GARDENS HAS OVER 4,000 MEMBERS, 220 ACTIVE VOLUNTEERS AND ATTRACTS NEARLY 100,000 GUESTS A YEAR. A CAFE, GIFT SHOP, OUTDOOR GARDEN RAILWAY, A TROPICAL BUTTERFLY AND ORCHID EXHIBIT, SPECIAL COMMUNITY EVENTS AND ROTATING EXHIBITS ARE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC. IN AN EFFORT TO REACH NEW AUDIENCES, THE GARDENS IS HOST TO TRAVELING EXHIBITS, SUCH AS NATURE CONNECTS: ART WITH LEGO AND IS THE CHOSEN SITE FOR THE NYBG'S

4b (Code:) (Expenses \$ 348,629 including grants of \$) (Revenue \$ 75,032)

EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS A KNOWN LEADER IN TEACHING ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION AND GARDENING, THE TUCSON BOTANICAL GARDENS PROVIDES CLASSES AND WORKSHOPS TO RESIDENTS, SCHOOL CHILDREN AND VISITORS - PEOPLE OF ALL AGES, ABILITIES AND BACKGROUNDS. THE GARDENS PROVIDES STRUCTURED OPPORTUNITIES IN ADULT EDUCATION SUCH AS GUIDED TOURS, CLASSES, WORKSHOPS AND FIELD TRIPS, AND COMMUNITY LECTURES ON BOTANICAL AND HORTICULTURAL TOPICS TO OVER 100,000 VISITORS ANNUALLY. OVER 12,000 CHILDREN EACH YEAR PARTICIPATE IN YOUTH PROGRAMS SUCH AS AFTER-SCHOOL AND SUMMER CAMP PROGRAMS, GUIDED TOURS AND ON-SITE FIELD STUDY EXPERIENCES FOR SCHOOL CHILDREN, CLASSROOM MODULES FOR TEACHERS, AND GUIDANCE AND SUPPORT FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF SCHOOL AND

4c (Code:) (Expenses \$ including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)

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

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

4e Total program service expenses 1,129,952

Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules

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

Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules (continued)

Table with 3 columns: Question ID, Question Text, Yes, No. Rows include questions 20a through 38 regarding organizational operations, financial statements, grants, compensation, and tax-exempt status.

Part V Statements Regarding Other IRS Filings and Tax Compliance

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

Input box for Schedule O

Yes No

Main table with columns for question number, description, and Yes/No responses. Includes sections for backup withholding, employee reporting, foreign accounts, prohibited transactions, and charitable contributions.

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

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

Section A. Governing Body and Management

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

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

Table with 3 columns: Question, Yes, No. Rows include: 10a Did the organization have local chapters, branches, or affiliates?; 10b 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?; 11a Has the organization provided a complete copy of this Form 990 to all members of its governing body before filing the form?; 11b Describe in Schedule O the process, if any, used by the organization to review this Form 990.; 12a Did the organization have a written conflict of interest policy? If "No," go to line 13; 12b Were officers, directors, or trustees, and key employees required to disclose annually interests that could give rise to conflicts?; 12c Did the organization regularly and consistently monitor and enforce compliance with the policy? If "Yes," describe in Schedule O how this was done; 13 Did the organization have a written whistleblower policy?; 14 Did the organization have a written document retention and destruction policy?; 15 Did the process for determining compensation of the following persons include a review and approval by independent persons, comparability data, and contemporaneous substantiation of the deliberation and decision?; 15a The organization's CEO, Executive Director, or top management official; 15b Other officers or key employees of the organization; 16a Did the organization invest in, contribute assets to, or participate in a joint venture or similar arrangement with a taxable entity during the year?; 16b 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?

Section C. Disclosure

- 17 List the states with which a copy of this Form 990 is required to be filed AZ
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 [X] Another's website [X] Upon request [] Other (explain in Schedule O)
19 Describe in Schedule O whether (and if so, how) the organization made its governing documents, conflict of interest policy, and financial statements available to the public during the tax year.
20 State the name, address, and telephone number of the person who possesses the organization's books and records: MICHELLE CONKLIN 2150 N. ALVERNON WAY TUCSON AZ 85712 520-326-9686

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 dotted line)	(C) Position (do not check more than one box, unless person is both an officer and a director/trustee)						(D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W-2/1099-MISC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W-2/1099-MISC)	(F) Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations
		Individual trustee or director	Institutional trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former			
(1) MICHELLE CONKLIN EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR	40.00 0.00	X		X				87,422	0	9,179
(2) SHELLY ANN ABBOTT PRESIDENT	2.00 0.00	X		X				0	0	0
(3) CHRIS HAZEN MOLINA DIRECTOR	1.00 0.00	X						0	0	0
(4) LANGDON HILL DIRECTOR	1.00 0.00	X						0	0	0
(5) JOAN ARDERN SECRETARY	2.00 0.00	X		X				0	0	0
(6) MARY LAUGHBAUM DIRECTOR	1.00 0.00	X						0	0	0
(7) JOHN SMITH VICE PRESIDENT	2.00 0.00	X		X				0	0	0
(8) DR. MARGARET LIVINGSTON DIRECTOR	1.00 0.00	X						0	0	0
(9) LISA OWENS-SREDZINSKI DIRECTOR	1.00 0.00	X						0	0	0
(10) KAREN MCCLOSKEY TREASURER	2.00 0.00	X		X				0	0	0
(11) STEVE BOSSE DIRECTOR	1.00 0.00	X						0	0	0

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 dotted line)	(C) Position (do not check more than one box, unless person is both an officer and a director/trustee)						(D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W-2/1099-MISC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W-2/1099-MISC)	(F) Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations
		Individual trustee or director	Institutional trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former			
(12) SHANNAN MARTY	1.00									
DIRECTOR	0.00	X						0	0	0
(13) DAVID LOVITT	2.00									
DIRECTOR	0.00	X						0	0	0
(14) POLLY PUTNAM WHITE	1.00									
DIRECTOR	0.00	X						0	0	0
(15) ANGIE JOHNSON-SMITH	1.00									
DIRECTOR	0.00	X						0	0	0
(16) MARK P. VITALE	1.00									
DIRECTOR	0.00	X						0	0	0
(17) KELLY FLANNIGAN	1.00									
DIRECTOR	0.00	X						0	0	0
(18) JOHN MIJAC	1.00									
DIRECTOR	0.00	X						0	0	0
(19) DONALD LAIDLAW	1.00									
DIRECTOR EMERITUS	0.00	X						0	0	0
1b Sub-total								87,422		9,179
c Total from continuation sheets to Part VII, Section A								49,261		2,552
d Total (add lines 1b and 1c)								136,683		11,731

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

	Yes	No
3 Did the organization list any former officer, director, or trustee, key employee, or highest compensated employee on line 1a? If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual		X
4 For any individual listed on line 1a, is the sum of reportable compensation and other compensation from the organization and related organizations greater than \$150,000? If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual		X
5 Did any person listed on line 1a receive or accrue compensation from any unrelated organization or individual for services rendered to the organization? If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such person		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
LLOYD CONSTRUCTION TUCSON	2180 N. WILMOT ROAD CONSTRUCTION	1,252,224

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 **1**

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 dotted line)	(C) Position (do not check more than one box, unless person is both an officer and a director/trustee)						(D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W-2/1099-MISC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W-2/1099-MISC)	(F) Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations
		Individual trustee or director	Institutional trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former			
(20) LYNN RICHARDS FINANCE DIRECTOR	40.00 0.00			X				49,261	0	2,552
1b Sub-total								49,261		2,552
c Total from continuation sheets to Part VII, Section A										
d Total (add lines 1b and 1c)										

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 ▶

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

Section B. Independent Contractors

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

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

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

Part VIII Statement of Revenue

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

			(A) Total revenue	(B) Related or exempt function revenue	(C) Unrelated business revenue	(D) Revenue excluded from tax under sections 512-514	
Contributions, Gifts, Grants and Other Similar Amounts	1a Federated campaigns	1a					
	b Membership dues	1b					
	c Fundraising events	1c	12,313				
	d Related organizations	1d					
	e Government grants (contributions)	1e	64,888				
	f All other contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts not included above	1f	675,774				
	g Noncash contributions included in lines 1a-1f: \$		28,979				
	h Total. Add lines 1a-1f		752,975				
Program Service Revenue		Busn. Code					
	2a ADMISSIONS	713990	469,175	469,175			
	b MEMBERSHIP DUES	713990	225,661	225,661			
	c EDUCATION	900099	75,032	75,032			
	d FACILITIES RENTAL	531120	74,500	74,500			
	e						
	f All other program service revenue						
	g Total. Add lines 2a-2f		844,368				
Other Revenue	3 Investment income (including dividends, interest, and other similar amounts)		4,029			4,029	
	4 Income from investment of tax-exempt bond proceeds						
	5 Royalties						
	6a Gross rents	(i) Real					
		(ii) Personal					
	b Less: rental exps.						
	c Rental inc. or (loss)						
	d Net rental income or (loss)						
	7a Gross amount from sales of assets other than inventory	(i) Securities	25,725				
		(ii) Other					
	b Less: cost or other basis & sales exps.	24,076					
	c Gain or (loss)	1,649					
	d Net gain or (loss)		1,649			1,649	
	8a Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ 12,313 of contributions reported on line 1c). See Part IV, line 18	a	95,920				
		b Less: direct expenses	68,504				
c Net income or (loss) from fundraising events			27,416				
9a Gross income from gaming activities. See Part IV, line 19	a						
	b Less: direct expenses						
	c Net income or (loss) from gaming activities						
10a Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances	a	300,466					
	b Less: cost of goods sold	256,476					
	c Net income or (loss) from sales of inventory		43,990	43,002	988		
Miscellaneous Revenue		Busn. Code					
	11a MISCELLANEOUS INCOME	900099	3,211			3,211	
	b						
	c						
	d All other revenue						
e Total. Add lines 11a-11d			3,211				
12 Total revenue. See instructions			1,677,638	887,370	988	8,889	

Part IX Statement of Functional Expenses

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

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

Do not include amounts reported on lines 6b, 7b, 8b, 9b, and 10b of Part VIII.	(A) Total expenses	(B) Program service expenses	(C) Management and general expenses	(D) Fundraising expenses
1 Grants and other assistance to domestic organizations and domestic governments. See Part IV, line 21				
2 Grants and other assistance to domestic individuals. See Part IV, line 22				
3 Grants and other assistance to foreign organizations, foreign governments, and foreign individuals. See Part IV, lines 15 and 16				
4 Benefits paid to or for members				
5 Compensation of current officers, directors, trustees, and key employees	164,389	31,338	97,109	35,942
6 Compensation not included above, to disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)) and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B)				
7 Other salaries and wages	504,679	440,686	45,872	18,121
8 Pension plan accruals and contributions (include section 401(k) and 403(b) employer contributions)				
9 Other employee benefits	31,796	21,862	9,934	
10 Payroll taxes	54,040	37,481	12,528	4,031
11 Fees for services (non-employees):				
a Management				
b Legal				
c Accounting	20,400		20,400	
d Lobbying				
e Professional fundraising services. See Part IV, line 17	53,494			53,494
f Investment management fees	2,174		2,174	
g Other. (If line 11g amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A) amount, list line 11g expenses on Schedule O.)	110,171	88,661	18,956	2,554
12 Advertising and promotion	33,511	28,017	5,194	300
13 Office expenses	105,284	46,874	29,801	28,609
14 Information technology				
15 Royalties				
16 Occupancy	99,892	93,024	5,697	1,171
17 Travel	6,954	4,624	1,854	476
18 Payments of travel or entertainment expenses for any federal, state, or local public officials				
19 Conferences, conventions, and meetings	3,794	1,138	1,513	1,143
20 Interest	8,519	8,519		
21 Payments to affiliates				
22 Depreciation, depletion, and amortization	140,653	106,306	26,859	7,488
23 Insurance	23,238	16,187	5,836	1,215
24 Other expenses. Itemize expenses not covered above (List miscellaneous expenses in line 24e. If line 24e amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A) amount, list line 24e expenses on Schedule O.)				
a PROGRAM FEES	117,878	117,878		
b PROGRAM MATERIALS	106,781	83,389	12,873	10,519
c DUES AND SUBSCRIPTIONS	10,742	2,309	4,544	3,889
d OTHER EXPENSES	6,231	1,659	3,745	827
e All other expenses				
25 Total functional expenses. Add lines 1 through 24e	1,604,620	1,129,952	304,889	169,779
26 Joint costs. Complete this line only if the organization reported in column (B) joint costs from a combined educational campaign and fundraising solicitation. Check here <input type="checkbox"/> if following SOP 98-2 (ASC 958-720)				

Part X Balance Sheet

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

		(A) Beginning of year		(B) End of year
Assets	1 Cash—non-interest bearing	200,606	1	167,425
	2 Savings and temporary cash investments	363,822	2	21,045
	3 Pledges and grants receivable, net	337,498	3	112,485
	4 Accounts receivable, net		4	
	5 Loans and other receivables from current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, and highest compensated employees. Complete Part II of Schedule L		5	
	6 Loans and other receivables from other disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)), persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B), and contributing employers and sponsoring organizations of section 501(c)(9) voluntary employees' beneficiary organizations (see instructions). Complete Part II of Schedule L		6	
	7 Notes and loans receivable, net		7	
	8 Inventories for sale or use	34,952	8	80,297
	9 Prepaid expenses and deferred charges	61,466	9	39,152
	10a Land, buildings, and equipment: cost or other basis. Complete Part VI of Schedule D	10a 5,721,099		
	b Less: accumulated depreciation	10b 1,944,675	3,321,212	10c 3,776,424
	11 Investments—publicly traded securities	116,262	11	116,112
	12 Investments—other securities. See Part IV, line 11		12	
	13 Investments—program-related. See Part IV, line 11		13	
	14 Intangible assets		14	
	15 Other assets. See Part IV, line 11		15	
16 Total assets. Add lines 1 through 15 (must equal line 34)	4,435,818	16	4,312,940	
Liabilities	17 Accounts payable and accrued expenses	436,094	17	162,207
	18 Grants payable		18	
	19 Deferred revenue	123,318	19	160,999
	20 Tax-exempt bond liabilities		20	
	21 Escrow or custodial account liability. Complete Part IV of Schedule D		21	
	22 Loans and other payables to current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, highest compensated employees, and disqualified persons. Complete Part II of Schedule L		22	96,997
	23 Secured mortgages and notes payable to unrelated third parties	116,190	23	63,506
	24 Unsecured notes and loans payable to unrelated third parties		24	
	25 Other liabilities (including federal income tax, payables to related third parties, and other liabilities not included on lines 17-24). Complete Part X of Schedule D		25	
	26 Total liabilities. Add lines 17 through 25	675,602	26	483,709
Net Assets or Fund Balances	Organizations that follow SFAS 117 (ASC 958), check here <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 27 through 29, and lines 33 and 34.			
	27 Unrestricted net assets	2,871,774	27	3,690,103
	28 Temporarily restricted net assets	700,492	28	54,458
	29 Permanently restricted net assets	187,950	29	84,670
	Organizations that do not follow SFAS 117 (ASC 958), check here <input type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 30 through 34.			
	30 Capital stock or trust principal, or current funds		30	
	31 Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, building, or equipment fund		31	
	32 Retained earnings, endowment, accumulated income, or other funds		32	
33 Total net assets or fund balances	3,760,216	33	3,829,231	
34 Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances	4,435,818	34	4,312,940	

Part XI Reconciliation of Net Assets

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

1	Total revenue (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	1	1,677,638
2	Total expenses (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	2	1,604,620
3	Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 2 from line 1	3	73,018
4	Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (must equal Part X, line 33, column (A))	4	3,760,216
5	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	5	-4,003
6	Donated services and use of facilities	6	
7	Investment expenses	7	
8	Prior period adjustments	8	
9	Other changes in net assets or fund balances (explain in Schedule O)	9	
10	Net assets or fund balances at end of year. Combine lines 3 through 9 (must equal Part X, line 33, column (B))	10	3,829,231

Part XII Financial Statements and Reporting

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

		Yes	No
1	Accounting method used to prepare the Form 990: <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.		
2a	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		X
2b	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	X	
2c	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.	X	
3a	As a result of a federal award, was the organization required to undergo an audit or audits as set forth in the Single Audit Act and OMB Circular A-133?		X
3b	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.		

Public Charity Status and Public Support

OMB No. 1545-0047

Complete if the organization is a section 501(c)(3) organization or a section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust.

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Name of the organization

TUCSON BOTANICAL GARDENS

Employer identification number

23-7037310

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

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

- 1 A church, convention of churches, or association of churches described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(i)**.
- 2 A school described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)**. (Attach Schedule E (Form 990 or 990-EZ).)
- 3 A hospital or a cooperative hospital service organization described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii)**.
- 4 A medical research organization operated in conjunction with a hospital described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii)**. Enter the hospital's name, city, and state:
- 5 An organization operated for the benefit of a college or university owned or operated by a governmental unit described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iv)**. (Complete Part II.)
- 6 A federal, state, or local government or governmental unit described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(v)**.
- 7 An organization that normally receives a substantial part of its support from a governmental unit or from the general public described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi)**. (Complete Part II.)
- 8 A community trust described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi)**. (Complete Part II.)
- 9 An organization that normally receives: (1) more than 33 1/3% of its support from contributions, membership fees, and gross receipts from activities related to its exempt functions—subject to certain exceptions, and (2) no more than 33 1/3% of its support from gross investment income and unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 tax) from businesses acquired by the organization after June 30, 1975. See **section 509(a)(2)**. (Complete Part III.)
- 10 An organization organized and operated exclusively to test for public safety. See **section 509(a)(4)**.
- 11 An organization organized and operated exclusively for the benefit of, to perform the functions of, or to carry out the purposes of one or more publicly supported organizations described in **section 509(a)(1)** or **section 509(a)(2)**. See **section 509(a)(3)**. Check the box in lines 11a through 11d that describes the type of supporting organization and complete lines 11e, 11f, and 11g.
 - a **Type I.** A supporting organization operated, supervised, or controlled by its supported organization(s), typically by giving the supported organization(s) the power to regularly appoint or elect a majority of the directors or trustees of the supporting organization. **You must complete Part IV, Sections A and B.**
 - b **Type II.** A supporting organization supervised or controlled in connection with its supported organization(s), by having control or management of the supporting organization vested in the same persons that control or manage the supported organization(s). **You must complete Part IV, Sections A and C.**
 - c **Type III functionally integrated.** A supporting organization operated in connection with, and functionally integrated with, its supported organization(s) (see instructions). **You must complete Part IV, Sections A, D, and E.**
 - d **Type III non-functionally integrated.** A supporting organization operated in connection with its supported organization(s) that is not functionally integrated. The organization generally must satisfy a distribution requirement and an attentiveness requirement (see instructions). **You must complete Part IV, Sections A and D, and Part V.**
 - e Check this box if the organization received a written determination from the IRS that it is a Type I, Type II, Type III functionally integrated, or Type III non-functionally integrated supporting organization.
 - f Enter the number of supported organizations
 - g Provide the following information about the supported organization(s).

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

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

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

Section A. Public Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ▶	(a) 2011	(b) 2012	(c) 2013	(d) 2014	(e) 2015	(f) Total
1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received. (Do not include any "unusual grants.")	415,663	591,774	482,261	904,027	752,975	3,146,700
2 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf						
3 The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge						
4 Total. Add lines 1 through 3	415,663	591,774	482,261	904,027	752,975	3,146,700
5 The portion of total contributions by each person (other than a governmental unit or publicly supported organization) included on line 1 that exceeds 2% of the amount shown on line 11, column (f)						764,553
6 Public support. Subtract line 5 from line 4.						2,382,147

Section B. Total Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ▶	(a) 2011	(b) 2012	(c) 2013	(d) 2014	(e) 2015	(f) Total
7 Amounts from line 4	415,663	591,774	482,261	904,027	752,975	3,146,700
8 Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources	27,009	35,174	5,896	4,202	4,029	76,310
9 Net income from unrelated business activities, whether or not the business is regularly carried on						
10 Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part VI.)	83,005	104,870	112,393	107,849	97,711	505,828
11 Total support. Add lines 7 through 10						3,728,838
12 Gross receipts from related activities, etc. (see instructions)						4,734,289

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

Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage

14 Public support percentage for 2015 (line 6, column (f) divided by line 11, column (f))	14	63.88%
15 Public support percentage from 2014 Schedule A, Part II, line 14	15	74.44%

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

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

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

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

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

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

(Complete only if you checked the box on line 9 of Part I or if the organization failed to qualify under Part II.

If the organization fails to qualify under the tests listed below, please complete Part II.)

Section A. Public Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ▶	(a) 2011	(b) 2012	(c) 2013	(d) 2014	(e) 2015	(f) Total
1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received. (Do not include any "unusual grants.")	415,663	591,774	482,261	904,027	752,975	3,146,700
2 Gross receipts from admissions, merchandise sold or services performed, or facilities furnished in any activity that is related to the organization's tax-exempt purpose	833,148	787,405	906,200	985,294	1,222,242	4,734,289
3 Gross receipts from activities that are not an unrelated trade or business under section 513						
4 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf						
5 The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge						
6 Total. Add lines 1 through 5	1,248,811	1,379,179	1,388,461	1,889,321	1,975,217	7,880,989
7a Amounts included on lines 1, 2, and 3 received from disqualified persons	84,365	231,441	170,844	426,634	418,297	1,331,581
b Amounts included on lines 2 and 3 received from other than disqualified persons that exceed the greater of \$5,000 or 1% of the amount on line 13 for the year						
c Add lines 7a and 7b	84,365	231,441	170,844	426,634	418,297	1,331,581
8 Public support. (Subtract line 7c from line 6.)						6,549,408

Section B. Total Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ▶	(a) 2011	(b) 2012	(c) 2013	(d) 2014	(e) 2015	(f) Total
9 Amounts from line 6	1,248,811	1,379,179	1,388,461	1,889,321	1,975,217	7,880,989
10a Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources	27,009	35,174	5,896	4,202	4,029	76,310
b Unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 taxes) from businesses acquired after June 30, 1975	2,711	3,037	2,459	4,056		12,263
c Add lines 10a and 10b	29,720	38,211	8,355	8,258	4,029	88,573
11 Net income from unrelated business activities not included in line 10b, whether or not the business is regularly carried on						
12 Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part VI.)	83,005	104,870	112,393	107,849	97,711	505,828
13 Total support. (Add lines 9, 10c, 11, and 12.)	1,361,536	1,522,260	1,509,209	2,005,428	2,076,957	8,475,390
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 <input type="checkbox"/>						

Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage

15 Public support percentage for 2015 (line 8, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f))	15	77.28%
16 Public support percentage from 2014 Schedule A, Part III, line 15	16	72.04%

Section D. Computation of Investment Income Percentage

17 Investment income percentage for 2015 (line 10c, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f))	17	1%
18 Investment income percentage from 2014 Schedule A, Part III, line 17	18	3%

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

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

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

Part IV Supporting Organizations

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

Section A. All Supporting Organizations

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

Section B. Type I Supporting Organizations

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

Section C. Type II Supporting Organizations

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

Section D. All Type III Supporting Organizations

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

Section E. Type III Functionally-Integrated Supporting Organizations

1 Check the box next to the method that the organization used to satisfy the Integral Part Test during the year (see instructions):		
a <input type="checkbox"/> The organization satisfied the Activities Test. Complete line 2 below.		
b <input type="checkbox"/> The organization is the parent of each of its supported organizations. Complete line 3 below.		
c <input type="checkbox"/> The organization supported a governmental entity. Describe in Part VI how you supported a government entity (see instructions).		
2 Activities Test. Answer (a) and (b) below.		
a Did substantially all of the organization's activities during the tax year directly further the exempt purposes of the supported organization(s) to which the organization was responsive? If "Yes," then in Part VI identify those supported organizations and explain how these activities directly furthered their exempt purposes, how the organization was responsive to those supported organizations, and how the organization determined that these activities constituted substantially all of its activities.		
2a		
b Did the activities described in (a) constitute activities that, but for the organization's involvement, one or more of the organization's supported organization(s) would have been engaged in? If "Yes," explain in Part VI the reasons for the organization's position that its supported organization(s) would have engaged in these activities but for the organization's involvement.		
2b		
3 Parent of Supported Organizations. Answer (a) and (b) below.		
a Did the organization have the power to regularly appoint or elect a majority of the officers, directors, or trustees of each of the supported organizations? Provide details in Part VI .		
3a		
b Did the organization exercise a substantial degree of direction over the policies, programs, and activities of each of its supported organizations? If "Yes," describe in Part VI the role played by the organization in this regard.		
3b		

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

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

Section A - Adjusted Net Income		(A) Prior Year	(B) Current Year (optional)
1	Net short-term capital gain	1	
2	Recoveries of prior-year distributions	2	
3	Other gross income (see instructions)	3	
4	Add lines 1 through 3	4	
5	Depreciation and depletion	5	
6	Portion of operating expenses paid or incurred for production or collection of gross income or for management, conservation, or maintenance of property held for production of income (see instructions)	6	
7	Other expenses (see instructions)	7	
8	Adjusted Net Income (subtract lines 5, 6 and 7 from line 4)	8	
Section B - Minimum Asset Amount		(A) Prior Year	(B) Current Year (optional)
1 Aggregate fair market value of all non-exempt-use assets (see instructions for short tax year or assets held for part of year):			
a	Average monthly value of securities	1a	
b	Average monthly cash balances	1b	
c	Fair market value of other non-exempt-use assets	1c	
d	Total (add lines 1a, 1b, and 1c)	1d	
e Discount claimed for blockage or other factors (explain in detail in Part VI):			
2	Acquisition indebtedness applicable to non-exempt-use assets	2	
3	Subtract line 2 from line 1d	3	
4	Cash deemed held for exempt use. Enter 1-1/2% of line 3 (for greater amount, see instructions).	4	
5	Net value of non-exempt-use assets (subtract line 4 from line 3)	5	
6	Multiply line 5 by .035	6	
7	Recoveries of prior-year distributions	7	
8	Minimum Asset Amount (add line 7 to line 6)	8	
Section C - Distributable Amount			Current Year
1	Adjusted net income for prior year (from Section A, line 8, Column A)	1	
2	Enter 85% of line 1	2	
3	Minimum asset amount for prior year (from Section B, line 8, Column A)	3	
4	Enter greater of line 2 or line 3	4	
5	Income tax imposed in prior year	5	
6	Distributable Amount. Subtract line 5 from line 4, unless subject to emergency temporary reduction (see instructions)	6	
7	<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).		

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

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

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

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

PART III, LINE 12 - OTHER INCOME DETAIL

SPECIAL EVENT GROSS RECEIPTS \$ 470,614

MISCELLANEOUS INCOME \$ 35,214

SCHEDULE D (Form 990)

Supplemental Financial Statements

OMB No. 1545-0047

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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.

Information about Schedule D (Form 990) and its instructions is at www.irs.gov/form990.

Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service

Name of the organization: TUCSON BOTANICAL GARDENS; Employer identification number: 23-7037310

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.

Table with 2 columns: (a) Donor advised funds, (b) Funds and other accounts. Rows include total number at end of year, aggregate value of contributions, grants, and end of year, and two Yes/No questions regarding donor advisement.

Part II Conservation Easements.

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

Form for Part II including checkboxes for purposes of conservation easements, a table for lines 2a-2d (Held at the End of the Tax Year), and various questions about monitoring and reporting.

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.

Form for Part III including questions 1a, 1b, 2, and 3 regarding reporting of art and historical treasures.

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

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

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

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

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

Part IV Escrow and Custodial Arrangements.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 9, or reported an amount on Form 990, Part X, line 21.

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

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

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

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

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

Part V Endowment Funds.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 10.

	(a) Current year	(b) Prior year	(c) Two years back	(d) Three years back	(e) Four years back
1a Beginning of year balance	84,670	84,670	187,950	340,382	531,749
b Contributions					
c Net investment earnings, gains, and losses				35,092	3,074
d Grants or scholarships					
e Other expenditures for facilities and programs			103,280	187,524	194,441
f Administrative expenses					
g End of year balance	84,670	84,670	84,670	187,950	340,382

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 100.00 %
- c Temporarily restricted endowment %

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

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

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

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

Part VI Land, Buildings, and Equipment.

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

Description of property	(a) Cost or other basis (investment)	(b) Cost or other basis (other)	(c) Accumulated depreciation	(d) Book value
1a Land		173,797		173,797
b Buildings		3,466,233	738,538	2,727,695
c Leasehold improvements				
d Equipment		149,777	141,259	8,518
e Other		1,931,292	1,064,878	866,414
Total. Add lines 1a through 1e. (Column (d) must equal Form 990, Part X, column (B), line 10c.)				3,776,424

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.

Table with 3 columns: (a) Description of security or category, (b) Book value, (c) Method of valuation. Rows include (1) Financial derivatives, (2) Closely-held equity interests, (3) Other (A-H), and Total.

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.

Table with 3 columns: (a) Description of investment, (b) Book value, (c) Method of valuation. Rows (1) through (9) and Total.

Part IX Other Assets.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 11d. See Form 990, Part X, line 15.

Table with 2 columns: (a) Description, (b) Book value. Rows (1) through (9) and Total.

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.

Table with 2 columns: (a) Description of liability, (b) Book value. Row 1 includes Federal income taxes. Rows (2) through (9) and Total.

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 [X]

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.

1	Total revenue, gains, and other support per audited financial statements		1	1,848,981
2	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12:			
a	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	2a	-4,003	
b	Donated services and use of facilities	2b	177,520	
c	Recoveries of prior year grants	2c		
d	Other (Describe in Part XIII.)	2d		
e	Add lines 2a through 2d	2e	173,517	
3	Subtract line 2e from line 1	3	1,675,464	
4	Amounts included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, but not on line 1:			
a	Investment expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b	4a	2,174	
b	Other (Describe in Part XIII.)	4b		
c	Add lines 4a and 4b	4c	2,174	
5	Total revenue. Add lines 3 and 4c. (This must equal Form 990, Part I, line 12.)	5	1,677,638	

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.

1	Total expenses and losses per audited financial statements		1	1,779,966
2	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part IX, line 25:			
a	Donated services and use of facilities	2a	177,520	
b	Prior year adjustments	2b		
c	Other losses	2c		
d	Other (Describe in Part XIII.)	2d		
e	Add lines 2a through 2d	2e	177,520	
3	Subtract line 2e from line 1	3	1,602,446	
4	Amounts included on Form 990, Part IX, line 25, but not on line 1:			
a	Investment expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b	4a	2,174	
b	Other (Describe in Part XIII.)	4b		
c	Add lines 4a and 4b	4c	2,174	
5	Total expenses. Add lines 3 and 4c. (This must equal Form 990, Part I, line 18.)	5	1,604,620	

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 - INTENDED USES FOR ENDOWMENT FUNDS

THE ORGANIZATION INTENDS TO USE INVESTMENT EARNINGS FROM THE ENDOWMENT FUNDS TO CARRY ON THE PRINCIPLE ACTIVITIES OF THE ORGANIZATION. THE PRINCIPLE BALANCE WILL REMAIN AS PERMANENTLY RESTRICTED FUNDS UNLESS THE ORGANIZATION CEASES BUSINESS.

PART X - FIN 48 FOOTNOTE

THE ORGANIZATION'S POLICY IS TO DISCLOSE OR RECOGNIZE INCOME TAX POSITIONS BASED ON MANAGEMENT'S ESTIMATE OF WHETHER IT IS REASONABLY POSSIBLE OR PROBABLE, RESPECTIVELY, THAT A LIABILITY HAS BEEN INCURRED FOR UNRECOGNIZED INCOME TAX POSITIONS. AS OF JUNE 30, 2016, THERE WERE NO UNCERTAIN TAX POSITIONS THAT ARE POTENTIALLY MATERIAL.

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

Supplemental Information Regarding Fundraising or Gaming Activities

OMB No. 1545-0047

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

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Name of the organization

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Employer identification number

23-7037310

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

2a 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 ten 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			
1 SUSAN SIRKUS 4945 W. PASEO DE LAS ESTRELLAS TUCSON AZ 85745	VARIOUS		X	372,159	53,494	318,665
2						
3						
4						
5						
6						
7						
8						
9						
10						
Total				372,159	53,494	318,665

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.

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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	(b) Event #2	(c) Other events	(d) Total events	
		<u>LUMINARIA NIGHT</u>	<u>BUTTERFLY AFFAI</u>	<u>2</u>	(add col. (a) through col. (c))	
		(event type)	(event type)	(total number)		
Revenue	1	Gross receipts	42,455	34,919	27,335	104,709
	2	Less: Contributions	606	7,807	3,900	12,313
	3	Gross income (line 1 minus line 2)	41,849	27,112	23,435	92,396
Direct Expenses	4	Cash prizes				
	5	Noncash prizes				
	6	Rent/facility costs				
	7	Food and beverages				
	8	Entertainment				
	9	Other direct expenses	22,170	35,409	7,877	65,456
	10	Direct expense summary. Add lines 4 through 9 in column (d) ▶				
11	Net income summary. Subtract line 10 from line 3, column (d) ▶					26,940

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			
Direct Expenses	2	Cash prizes			
	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:
a The organization's facility 13a %
b An outside facility 13b %

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).

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SCHEDULE L
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Transactions With Interested Persons

OMB No. 1545-0047

▶ Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 25a, 25b, 26, 27, 28a, 28b, or 28c, or Form 990-EZ, Part V, line 38a or 40b.

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▶ Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ.

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Part I Excess Benefit Transactions (section 501(c)(3), section 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations only).

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 25a or 25b, or Form 990-EZ, Part V, line 40b.

1	(a) Name of disqualified person	(b) Relationship between disqualified person and organization	(c) Description of transaction	(d) Corrected?	
				Yes	No
(1)					
(2)					
(3)					
(4)					
(5)					
(6)					

2 Enter the amount of tax incurred by the organization managers or disqualified persons during the year under section 4958 ▶ \$ _____

3 Enter the amount of tax, if any, on line 2, above, reimbursed by the organization ▶ \$ _____

Part II Loans to and/or From Interested Persons.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990-EZ, Part V, line 38a or Form 990, Part IV, line 26; or if the organization reported an amount on Form 990, Part X, line 5, 6, or 22.

1	(a) Name of interested person	(b) Relationship with organization	(c) Purpose of loan	(d) Loan to or from the org.?		(e) Original principal amount	(f) Balance due	(g) In default?		(h) Approved by board or committee?		(i) Written agreement?	
				To	From			Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
				(1)	KAUTZ NOTE PAYABLE SUPPORT GENERAL OPERATIONS			SUBSTANTIAL CONTRIBUTIONS		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		100,000	96,997
(2)													
(3)													
(4)													
(5)													
(6)													
(7)													
(8)													
(9)													
(10)													
Total							▶ \$	96,997					

Part III Grants or Assistance Benefiting Interested Persons.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 27.

1	(a) Name of interested person	(b) Relationship between interested person and the organization	(c) Amount of assistance	(d) Type of assistance	(e) Purpose of assistance
(1)					
(2)					
(3)					
(4)					
(5)					
(6)					
(7)					
(8)					
(9)					
(10)					

Part IV Business Transactions Involving Interested Persons.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 28a, 28b, or 28c.

(a) Name of interested person	(b) Relationship between interested person and the organization	(c) Amount of transaction	(d) Description of transaction	(e) Sharing of org. revenues?	
				Yes	No
(1)					
(2)					
(3)					
(4)					
(5)					
(6)					
(7)					
(8)					
(9)					
(10)					

Part V Supplemental Information

Provide additional information for responses to questions on Schedule L (see instructions).

**SCHEDULE M
(Form 990)**

Noncash Contributions

OMB No. 1545-0047

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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.

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Name of the organization

TUCSON BOTANICAL GARDENS

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Part I Types of Property

	(a) Check if applicable	(b) Number of contributions or items contributed	(c) Noncash contribution amounts reported on Form 990, Part VIII, line 1g	(d) Method of determining noncash contribution amounts
1 Art — Works of art				
2 Art — Historical treasures				
3 Art — Fractional interests				
4 Books and publications				
5 Clothing and household goods				
6 Cars and other vehicles				
7 Boats and planes				
8 Intellectual property				
9 Securities — Publicly traded				
10 Securities — Closely held stock				
11 Securities — Partnership, LLC, or trust interests				
12 Securities — Miscellaneous				
13 Qualified conservation contribution — Historic structures				
14 Qualified conservation contribution — Other				
15 Real estate — Residential				
16 Real estate — Commercial				
17 Real estate — Other				
18 Collectibles				
19 Food inventory				
20 Drugs and medical supplies				
21 Taxidermy				
22 Historical artifacts				
23 Scientific specimens				
24 Archeological artifacts				
25 Other ▶ (PROGRAM MATERIA)	X	4	28,979	FAIR MARKET VALUE
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

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

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

Area with horizontal dotted lines for supplemental information.

SCHEDULE O
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Supplemental Information to Form 990 or 990-EZ

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

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FORM 990, PART I, LINE 6

TUCSON BOTANICAL GARDENS VOLUNTEERS PROVIDE SERVICES ACROSS THE
INSTITUTION, INCLUDING: ASSISTING THE HORTICULTURE STAFF IN TENDING OUR 5.5
ACRES OF GARDENS, LEADING GUIDED TOURS AND TEACHING DESERT GARDENING
CLASSES FOR ADULT VISITORS, LEADING EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS FOR SCHOOL GROUPS
AND FAMILY VISITORS, WORKING IN OUR AUXILIARY GIFT SHOP, HELPING PLAN AND
STAFF SPECIAL EVENTS, CONDUCTING OUTREACH TO COMMUNITY GROUPS AND SCHOOLS,
WORKING IN OUR LIVE TROPICAL BUTTERFLY EXHIBIT, ASSISTING WITH FILING AND
OTHER ADMINISTRATIVE TASKS, AND WORKING ON- AND OFF-SITE WITH OUR
HORTICULTURAL THERAPY PROGRAM TO SERVE INDIVIDUALS WITH SPECIAL NEEDS.

FORM 990, PART III, LINE 4A - FIRST ACCOMPLISHMENT

EXHIBIT: FRIDA KAHLO: ART, GARDEN AND LIFE EXHIBIT IN 2016/17.

FORM 990, PART III, LINE 4B - SECOND ACCOMPLISHMENT

COMMUNITY GARDENS. THE GARDENS' HORTICULTURAL THERAPY PROGRAM WORKS WITH
OVER 500 PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES THROUGH BOTH OUTREACH AND ON-SITE
PROGRAMS. ADDITIONALLY, WE OFFER A NUMBER OF SPECIAL EXHIBITS THROUGHOUT
THE YEAR THAT HIGHLIGHT TOPICS OF EDUCATIONAL INTEREST TO THE COMMUNITY,
INCLUDING AN INDOOR TROPICAL BUTTERFLY AND ORCHID EXHIBIT AND OUTDOOR
GARDEN RAILWAY.

FORM 990, PART VI, LINE 11B - ORGANIZATION'S PROCESS TO REVIEW FORM 990

A COPY OF THE FORM 990 IS REVIEWED AND APPROVED BY THE FINANCE COMMITTEE
PRIOR TO FILING. THE FINANCE COMMITTEE INCLUDES THE PRESIDENT AND

Name of the organization

Employer identification number

TUCSON BOTANICAL GARDENS

23-7037310

TREASURER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

FORM 990, PART VI, LINE 12C - ENFORCEMENT OF CONFLICTS POLICY

THE ORGANIZATION'S DIRECTORS ARE DISTRIBUTED COPIES OF THE CONFLICT OF INTEREST POLICY AND MUST SUBMIT A SIGNED DISCLOSURE OF POTENTIAL CONFLICTS ON AN ANNUAL BASIS.

FORM 990, PART VI, LINE 15A - COMPENSATION PROCESS FOR TOP OFFICIAL COMPENSATION RATES OF COMPARABLE POSITIONS IN SIMILARLY SIZED NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS ARE REVIEWED AND USED IN SETTING COMPENSATION.

FORM 990, PART VI, LINE 15B - COMPENSATION PROCESS FOR OFFICERS COMPENSATION RATES OF COMPARABLE POSITIONS IN SIMILARLY SIZED NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS ARE REVIEWED AND USED IN SETTING COMPENSATION.

FORM 990, PART VI, LINE 19 - GOVERNING DOCUMENTS DISCLOSURE EXPLANATION ANNUAL AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, GOVERNING DOCUMENTS AND THE CONFLICT OF INTEREST POLICY ARE NOT MADE DIRECTLY AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC BY THE ORGANIZATION. HOWEVER, THE ORGANIZATION'S GOVERNING DOCUMENTS ARE AVAILABLE THROUGH THE ARIZONA CORPORATE COMMISSION.

Exempt Organization Business Income Tax Return
(and proxy tax under section 6033(e))

2015

For calendar year 2015 or other tax year beginning 07/01/15, and ending 06/30/16

▶ Information about Form 990-T and its instructions is available at www.irs.gov/form990t.

▶ Do not enter SSN numbers on this form as it may be made public if your organization is a 501(c)(3).

Open to Public Inspection for 501(c)(3) Organizations Only

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

A Check box if address changed

B Exempt under section
 501(c)(3) 408(e) 220(e)
 408A 530(a)
 529(a)

C Book value of all assets at end of year
4,312,940

Name of organization (Check box if name changed and see instructions.)
Print or Type TUCSON BOTANICAL GARDENS
Number, street, and room or suite no. If a P.O. box, see instructions.
2150 N. ALVERNON WAY
City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code
TUCSON AZ 85712

D Employer identification number (Employees' trust, see instructions.)
23-7037310

E Unrelated business activity codes (See instructions.)
453220

F Group exemption number (See instructions.) ▶
G Check organization type ▶ 501(c) corporation 501(c) trust 401(a) trust Other trust

H Describe the organization's primary unrelated business activity.
▶ GIFT SHOP

I During the tax year, was the corporation a subsidiary in an affiliated group or a parent-subsidiary controlled group? ▶ Yes No
If "Yes," enter the name and identifying number of the parent corporation.

J The books are in care of ▶ MICHELLE CONKLIN Telephone number ▶ 520-326-9686

Part I Unrelated Trade or Business Income		(A) Income	(B) Expenses	(C) Net
1a Gross receipts or sales	<u>7,412</u>			
b Less returns and allowances				
c Balance		1c <u>7,412</u>		
2 Cost of goods sold (Schedule A, line 7)		2 <u>6,424</u>		
3 Gross profit. Subtract line 2 from line 1c		3 <u>988</u>		<u>988</u>
4a Capital gain net income (attach Schedule D)		4a		
b Net gain (loss) (Form 4797, Part II, line 17) (attach Form 4797)		4b		
c Capital loss deduction for trusts		4c		
5 Income (loss) from partnerships and S corporations (attach statement)		5		
6 Rent income (Schedule C)		6		
7 Unrelated debt-financed income (Schedule E)		7		
8 Interest, annuities, royalties, and rents from controlled organizations (Schedule F)		8		
9 Investment income of a section 501(c)(7), (9), or (17) organization (Schedule G)		9		
10 Exploited exempt activity income (Schedule I)		10		
11 Advertising income (Schedule J)		11		
12 Other income (See instructions; attach schedule)		12		
13 Total. Combine lines 3 through 12		13 <u>988</u>		<u>988</u>

Part II Deductions Not Taken Elsewhere (See instructions for limitations on deductions.) (Except for contributions, deductions must be directly connected with the unrelated business income.)			
14 Compensation of officers, directors, and trustees (Schedule K)		14	
15 Salaries and wages		15	
16 Repairs and maintenance		16	
17 Bad debts		17	
18 Interest (attach schedule)		18	
19 Taxes and licenses		19	
20 Charitable contributions (See instructions for limitation rules)		20	
21 Depreciation (attach Form 4562)	21		
22 Less depreciation claimed on Schedule A and elsewhere on return	22a		22b <u>0</u>
23 Depletion		23	
24 Contributions to deferred compensation plans		24	
25 Employee benefit programs		25	
26 Excess exempt expenses (Schedule I)		26	
27 Excess readership costs (Schedule J)		27	
28 Other deductions (attach schedule)		28	
29 Total deductions. Add lines 14 through 28		29	
30 Unrelated business taxable income before net operating loss deduction. Subtract line 29 from line 13		30	<u>988</u>
31 Net operating loss deduction (limited to the amount on line 30)		31	
32 Unrelated business taxable income before specific deduction. Subtract line 31 from line 30		32	<u>988</u>
33 Specific deduction (Generally \$1,000, but see line 33 instructions for exceptions)		33	<u>1,000</u>
34 Unrelated business taxable income. Subtract line 33 from line 32. If line 33 is greater than line 32, enter the smaller of zero or line 32		34	<u>0</u>

Part III Tax Computation

35 Organizations Taxable as Corporations. See instructions for tax computation. Controlled group members (sections 1561 and 1563) check here <input type="checkbox"/> See instructions and:	
a Enter your share of the \$50,000, \$25,000, and \$9,925,000 taxable income brackets (in that order): (1) \$ _____ (2) \$ _____ (3) \$ _____	
b Enter organization's share of: (1) Additional 5% tax (not more than \$11,750) \$ (2) Additional 3% tax (not more than \$100,000) \$	
c Income tax on the amount on line 34	35c
36 Trusts Taxable at Trust Rates. See instructions for tax computation. Income tax on the amount on line 34 from: <input type="checkbox"/> Tax rate schedule or <input type="checkbox"/> Schedule D (Form 1041)	36
37 Proxy tax. See instructions	37
38 Alternative minimum tax	38
39 Total. Add lines 37 and 38 to line 35c or 36, whichever applies	39

Part IV Tax and Payments

40a Foreign tax credit (corporations attach Form 1118; trusts attach Form 1116)	40a	
b Other credits (see instructions)	40b	
c General business credit. Attach Form 3800 (see instructions)	40c	
d Credit for prior year minimum tax (attach Form 8801 or 8827)	40d	
e Total credits. Add lines 40a through 40d	40e	
41 Subtract line 40e from line 39	41	
42 Other taxes. Check if from: <input type="checkbox"/> Form 4255 <input type="checkbox"/> Form 8611 <input type="checkbox"/> Form 8697 <input type="checkbox"/> Form 8866 <input type="checkbox"/> Other (att. sch.)	42	
43 Total tax. Add lines 41 and 42	43	0
44a Payments: A 2014 overpayment credited to 2015	44a	
b 2015 estimated tax payments	44b	750
c Tax deposited with Form 8868	44c	
d Foreign organizations: Tax paid or withheld at source (see instructions)	44d	
e Backup withholding (see instructions)	44e	
f Credit for small employer health insurance premiums (Attach Form 8941)	44f	
g Other credits and payments: <input type="checkbox"/> Form 2439 _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Form 4136 _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ Total ▶	44g	
45 Total payments. Add lines 44a through 44g	45	750
46 Estimated tax penalty (see instructions). Check if Form 2220 is attached	46	
47 Tax due. If line 45 is less than the total of lines 43 and 46, enter amount owed	47	
48 Overpayment. If line 45 is larger than the total of lines 43 and 46, enter amount overpaid	48	750
49 Enter the amount of line 48 you want: Credited to 2016 estimated tax ▶ 750 Refunded ▶	49	

Part V Statements Regarding Certain Activities and Other Information (see instructions)

1 At any time during the 2015 calendar year, did the organization have an interest in or a signature or other authority over a financial account (bank, securities, or other) in a foreign country? If YES, the organization may have to file FinCEN Form 114, Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts. If YES, enter the name of the foreign country here ▶	Yes	No
2 During the tax year, did the organization receive a distribution from, or was it the grantor of, or transferor to, a foreign trust? If YES, see instructions for other forms the organization may have to file.		X
3 Enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the tax year ▶ \$		

Schedule A – Cost of Goods Sold. Enter method of inventory valuation ▶ N/A

1 Inventory at beginning of year	1		6 Inventory at end of year	6	
2 Purchases	2	6,424	7 Cost of goods sold. Subtract line 6 from line 5. Enter here and in Part I, line 2	7	6,424
3 Cost of labor	3		8 Do the rules of section 263A (with respect to property produced or acquired for resale) apply to the organization?	Yes	No
4a Additional sec. 263A costs (attach schedule)	4a				X
b Other costs (attach schedule)	4b				
5 Total. Add lines 1 through 4b	5	6,424			

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

Sign Here ▶ _____ **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**
Signature of officer Date Title

Paid Preparer Use Only

Print/Type preparer's name JULIE S. KLEWER, CPA	Preparer's signature	Date	Check <input type="checkbox"/> if self-employed	PTIN P00343046
Firm's name ▶ LUDWIG KLEWER & CO. PLLC	Firm's EIN ▶ 36-4538293			
Firm's address ▶ 4783 E CAMP LOWELL DR TUCSON, AZ 85712	Phone no. 520-545-0500			

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

Schedule C - Rent Income (From Real Property and Personal Property Leased With Real Property)

(see instructions)

1. Description of property

Table with 1 column: (1) N/A, (2), (3), (4)

2. Rent received or accrued

Table with 3 columns: (a) From personal property, (b) From real and personal property, (c) Deductions directly connected with the income

(c) Total income. Add totals of columns 2(a) and 2(b). Enter here and on page 1, Part I, line 6, column (A)

Schedule E - Unrelated Debt-Financed Income (see instructions)

Table with 5 columns: 1. Description of debt-financed property, 2. Gross income from or allocable to debt-financed property, 3. Deductions directly connected with or allocable to debt-financed property, 4. Amount of average acquisition debt, 5. Average adjusted basis, 6. Column 4 divided by column 5, 7. Gross income reportable, 8. Allocable deductions

Totals. Enter here and on page 1, Part I, line 7, column (A). Enter here and on page 1, Part I, line 7, column (B).

Total dividends-received deductions included in column 8

Schedule F - Interest, Annuities, Royalties, and Rents From Controlled Organizations (see instructions)

Table with 6 columns: 1. Name of controlled organization, 2. Employer identification number, 3. Net unrelated income (loss), 4. Total of specified payments made, 5. Part of column 4 that is included in the controlling organization's gross inc., 6. Deductions directly connected with income in column 5

Nonexempt Controlled Organizations

Table with 5 columns: 7. Taxable Income, 8. Net unrelated income (loss), 9. Total of specified payments made, 10. Part of column 9 that is included in the controlling organization's gross income, 11. Deductions directly connected with income in column 10

Totals. Add columns 5 and 10. Enter here and on page 1, Part I, line 8, column (A). Add columns 6 and 11. Enter here and on page 1, Part I, line 8, column (B).

Schedule G – Investment Income of a Section 501(c)(7), (9), or (17) Organization (see instructions)

1. Description of income	2. Amount of income	3. Deductions directly connected (attach schedule)	4. Set-asides (attach schedule)	5. Total deductions and set-asides (col. 3 plus col.4)
(1) N/A				
(2)				
(3)				
(4)				
Totals	Enter here and on page 1, Part I, line 9, column (A).			Enter here and on page 1, Part I, line 9, column (B).

Schedule I – Exploited Exempt Activity Income, Other Than Advertising Income (see instructions)

1. Description of exploited activity	2. Gross unrelated business income from trade or business	3. Expenses directly connected with production of unrelated business income	4. Net income (loss) from unrelated trade or business (column 2 minus column 3). If a gain, compute cols. 5 through 7.	5. Gross income from activity that is not unrelated business income	6. Expenses attributable to column 5	7. Excess exempt expenses (column 6 minus column 5, but not more than column 4).
(1) N/A						
(2)						
(3)						
(4)						
Totals	Enter here and on page 1, Part I, line 10, col. (A).	Enter here and on page 1, Part I, line 10, col. (B).				Enter here and on page 1, Part II, line 26.

Schedule J – Advertising Income (see instructions)

Part I Income From Periodicals Reported on a Consolidated Basis

1. Name of periodical	2. Gross advertising income	3. Direct advertising costs	4. Advertising gain or (loss) (col. 2 minus col. 3). If a gain, compute cols. 5 through 7.	5. Circulation income	6. Readership costs	7. Excess readership costs (column 6 minus column 5, but not more than column 4).
(1) N/A						
(2)						
(3)						
(4)						
Totals (carry to Part II, line (5))						

Part II Income From Periodicals Reported on a Separate Basis (For each periodical listed in Part II, fill in columns 2 through 7 on a line-by-line basis.)

1. Name of periodical	2. Gross advertising income	3. Direct advertising costs	4. Advertising gain or (loss) (col. 2 minus col. 3). If a gain, compute cols. 5 through 7.	5. Circulation income	6. Readership costs	7. Excess readership costs (column 6 minus column 5, but not more than column 4).
(1) N/A						
(2)						
(3)						
(4)						
Totals from Part I						
Totals, Part II (lines 1-5)	Enter here and on page 1, Part I, line 11, col. (A).	Enter here and on page 1, Part I, line 11, col. (B).				Enter here and on page 1, Part II, line 27.

Schedule K – Compensation of Officers, Directors, and Trustees (see instructions)

1. Name	2. Title	3. Percent of time devoted to business	4. Compensation attributable to unrelated business
(1) N/A		%	
(2)		%	
(3)		%	
(4)		%	
Total. Enter here and on page 1, Part II, line 14			