

Form **990**

**Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax**  
Under section 501(c), 527, or 4947(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code (except private foundations)

OMB No. 1545-0047

**2016**

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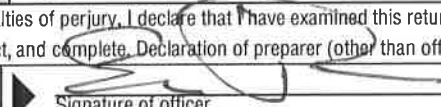
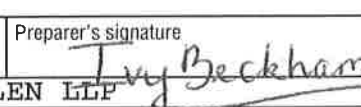
Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

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

<b>B</b> Check if applicable: <input type="checkbox"/> Address change <input type="checkbox"/> Name change <input type="checkbox"/> Initial return <input type="checkbox"/> Final return/terminated <input type="checkbox"/> Amended return <input type="checkbox"/> Application pending	<b>C</b> Name of organization <b>FRIENDS OF THE EARTH</b> Doing business as Number and street (or P.O. box if mail is not delivered to street address) Room/suite <b>1101 15TH STREET, NW 1100</b> City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code <b>WASHINGTON, DC 20005</b>	<b>D</b> Employer identification number <b>23-7420660</b>
<b>F</b> Name and address of principal officer: <b>ERICH PICA</b> <b>SAME AS C ABOVE</b>		<b>E</b> Telephone number <b>(202) 783-7400</b>
<b>I</b> Tax-exempt status: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 501(c)(3) <input type="checkbox"/> 501(c)( ) (insert no.) <input type="checkbox"/> 4947(a)(1) or <input type="checkbox"/> 527		<b>G</b> Gross receipts \$ <b>13,614,382.</b>
<b>J</b> Website: <b>WWW.FOE.ORG</b>		<b>H(a)</b> Is this a group return for subordinates? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <b>H(b)</b> Are all subordinates included? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If "No," attach a list. (see instructions)
<b>K</b> Form of organization: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Corporation <input type="checkbox"/> Trust <input type="checkbox"/> Association <input type="checkbox"/> Other ▶		<b>H(c)</b> Group exemption number ▶
<b>L</b> Year of formation: <b>1969</b>		<b>M</b> State of legal domicile: <b>DC</b>

Part I Summary			
<b>Part I</b>	<b>Summary</b>	1 Briefly describe the organization's mission or most significant activities: <b>FRIENDS OF THE EARTH DEFENDS THE ENVIRONMENT AND CHAMPIONS A HEALTHY AND JUST WORLD.</b>	
		2 Check this box <input type="checkbox"/> if the organization discontinued its operations or disposed of more than 25% of its net assets.	
<b>Activities &amp; Governance</b>	3	Number of voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1a)	18
	4	Number of independent voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1b)	18
	5	Total number of individuals employed in calendar year 2016 (Part V, line 2a)	66
	6	Total number of volunteers (estimate if necessary)	1000
	7a	Total unrelated business revenue from Part VIII, column (C), line 12	0.
	7b	Net unrelated business taxable income from Form 990-T, line 34	0.
	<b>Revenue</b>	8	Contributions and grants (Part VIII, line 1h)
9		Program service revenue (Part VIII, line 2g)	0.
10		Investment income (Part VIII, column (A), lines 3, 4, and 7d)	97,704.
11		Other revenue (Part VIII, column (A), lines 5, 6d, 8c, 9c, 10c, and 11e)	0.
12		Total revenue - add lines 8 through 11 (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	8,912,192.
<b>Expenses</b>	13	Grants and similar amounts paid (Part IX, column (A), lines 1-3)	1,277,638.
	14	Benefits paid to or for members (Part IX, column (A), line 4)	0.
	15	Salaries, other compensation, employee benefits (Part IX, column (A), lines 5-10)	3,306,576.
	16a	Professional fundraising fees (Part IX, column (A), line 11e)	0.
	16b	Total fundraising expenses (Part IX, column (D), line 25)	1,102,701.
	17	Other expenses (Part IX, column (A), lines 11a-11d, 11f-24e)	5,440,889.
	18	Total expenses. Add lines 13-17 (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	10,025,103.
<b>Net Assets or Fund Balances</b>	19	Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 18 from line 12	-1,112,911.
	20	Total assets (Part X, line 16)	13,914,852.
	21	Total liabilities (Part X, line 26)	2,823,669.
	22	Net assets or fund balances. Subtract line 21 from line 20	11,091,183.

<b>Part II Signature Block</b>	
Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined this return, including accompanying schedules and statements, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete. Declaration of preparer (other than officer) is based on all information of which preparer has any knowledge.	
<b>Sign Here</b>	Signature of officer:  Date: <b>5/16/18</b> ERICH PICA, PRESIDENT Type or print name and title
<b>Paid Preparer Use Only</b>	Print/Type preparer's name: <b>IVY BECKHAM</b> Preparer's signature:  Date: <b>05/15/2018</b> Check <input type="checkbox"/> if self-employed PTIN: <b>P01316131</b> Firm's name: <b>CLIFTONLARSONALLEN LLP</b> Firm's address: <b>901 N. GLEBE ROAD, SUITE 200 ARLINGTON, VA 22203</b> Firm's EIN: <b>41-0746749</b> Phone no.: <b>571-227-9500</b>

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

1 Briefly describe the organization's mission:  
**FRIENDS OF THE EARTH STRIVES FOR A MORE HEALTHY AND JUST WORLD BY DEFENDING THE ENVIRONMENT AND HUMAN HEALTH WHILE ADVANCING SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC JUSTICE BY CONDUCTING RESEARCH AND EDUCATION, TRANSFORMING THE ECONOMY SO IT PROTECTS THE ENVIRONMENT AND ENHANCES PEOPLE'S WELL**

2 Did the organization undertake any significant program services during the year which were not listed on the prior Form 990 or 990-EZ?  Yes  No  
 If "Yes," describe these new services on Schedule O.

3 Did the organization cease conducting, or make significant changes in how it conducts, any program services?  Yes  No  
 If "Yes," describe these changes on Schedule O.

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

4a (Code: ) (Expenses \$ 4,103,423. including grants of \$ 708,242.) (Revenue \$ )  
**OUTREACH & MEMBERSHIP PROGRAM:**  
**OUR OUTREACH PROGRAM EDUCATES MEMBERS AND ACTIVISTS AS WELL AS THE GREATER PUBLIC THROUGH ONLINE ACTION ALERTS, PRINT AND ONLINE ADVERTISING, MAILINGS AND QUARTERLY NEWSMAGAZINE (TO MEMBERS), E-NEWSLETTERS, AS WELL AS SOCIAL MEDIA SITES LIKE FACEBOOK, TWITTER, YOUTUBE, AND FLICKR. THE TEAM ALSO SEEKS OPPORTUNITIES TO EDUCATE THE PUBLIC THROUGH TV AND RADIO INTERVIEWS. OVER THE PAST YEAR, FRIENDS OF THE EARTH CONTINUED TO SUPPORT TWO MEXICAN PROJECTS IN COOPERATION WITH OTROS MUNDOS, A FELLOW MEMBER OF FRIENDS OF THE EARTH INTERNATIONAL: THE CONSTRUCTION OF A SUSTAINABILITY SCHOOL IN CHIAPAS, AND AN ECOLOGICAL PARK IN THE YUCATAN.**

4b (Code: ) (Expenses \$ 1,766,607. including grants of \$ 39,100.) (Revenue \$ )  
**ECONOMIC POLICY:**  
**ALSO KNOWN AS "ECONOMICS FOR THE EARTH," FRIENDS OF THE EARTH (FOE)'S ECONOMIC POLICY TEAM AIMS TO CREATE A MORE ENVIRONMENTALLY SUSTAINABLE AND SOCIALLY JUST WORLD BY TRANSFORMING FINANCIAL AND ECONOMIC SYSTEMS. ACTIVITIES INCLUDE EFFORTS TO END SUBSIDIES FOR POLLUTING INDUSTRIES, MAKING POLLUTERS PAY FOR THE DAMAGE THEY CAUSE AND ENCOURAGE INVESTMENTS IN CLEAN ALTERNATIVES. IT WORKS TO ALTER LENDING PRACTICES AT LARGE FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS THAT FUND POLLUTING ACTIVITIES AND HARM COMMUNITIES IN DEVELOPING COUNTRIES. THE TEAM ALSO SEEKS TO EDUCATE THE PUBLIC AND POLICYMAKERS ABOUT THE ENVIRONMENTAL DANGERS AND UNDEMOCRATIC NATURE OF TRADE AGREEMENTS, SUCH AS THE TRANS-PACIFIC PARTNERSHIP. DURING FY2017 FOE CONTINUED TO ENGAGE IN EFFORTS, SUCH AS**

4c (Code: ) (Expenses \$ 1,411,970. including grants of \$ 5,370.) (Revenue \$ )  
**FOOD & TECHNOLOGY:**  
**FRIENDS OF THE EARTH (FOE)'S FOOD & TECHNOLOGY TEAM TAKES A MULTI-PRONGED APPROACH, WITH EFFORTS AT THE POLICY LEVEL, CORPORATE CAMPAIGNS, AND SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH, PUBLISHING THE RESULTS TO EDUCATE AND ENGAGE THE PUBLIC IN PROMOTING A HEALTHIER FOOD SUPPLY. THE TEAM FIGHTS FOR REGULATIONS AND TESTING TO PROTECT HUMAN HEALTH AND THE ENVIRONMENT FROM DANGEROUS EMERGING TECHNOLOGIES AND HARMFUL CHEMICALS IN FOODS, CONSUMER PRODUCTS AND IN RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT OF NEW TECHNOLOGIES. DURING FY2017 THE TEAM CONTINUED ITS FIGHTS FOR LABELING OF GENETICALLY MODIFIED FOODS; PROTECTING BEES AND OTHER POLLINATORS FROM HARMFUL PESTICIDES, AND ADVOCATING FOR POLICIES TO THE PROTECT THE PUBLIC FROM RISKS POSED BY THE INCREASING USE OF NANOMATERIALS IN**

4d Other program services (Describe in Schedule O.)  
 (Expenses \$ 1,026,423. including grants of \$ 60,480.) (Revenue \$ )

4e Total program service expenses **8,308,423.**

**Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules**

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

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

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

Note. All Form 990 filers are required to complete Schedule O

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

Table with columns for line numbers (1a-14b), descriptions of questions, and Yes/No columns. Includes entries for Form 1096, Form W-2G, Form W-3, Form 990-T, Form 8886-T, Form 8282, Form 8899, Form 1098-C, Form 4947(a)(1), and Form 720.

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

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

**Section A. Governing Body and Management**

		Yes	No
1a	Enter the number of voting members of the governing body at the end of the tax year If there are material differences in voting rights among members of the governing body, or if the governing body delegated broad authority to an executive committee or similar committee, explain in Schedule O.		
1a	18		
b	Enter the number of voting members included in line 1a, above, who are independent		
1b	18		
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?		X
3	Did the organization delegate control over management duties customarily performed by or under the direct supervision of officers, directors, or trustees, or key employees to a management company or other person?		X
4	Did the organization make any significant changes to its governing documents since the prior Form 990 was filed?		X
5	Did the organization become aware during the year of a significant diversion of the organization's assets?		X
6	Did the organization have members or stockholders?	X	
7a	Did the organization have members, stockholders, or other persons who had the power to elect or appoint one or more members of the governing body?	X	
b	Are any governance decisions of the organization reserved to (or subject to approval by) members, stockholders, or persons other than the governing body?		X
8	Did the organization contemporaneously document the meetings held or written actions undertaken during the year by the following:		
a	The governing body?	X	
b	Each committee with authority to act on behalf of the governing body?	X	
9	Is there any officer, director, trustee, or key employee listed in Part VII, Section A, who cannot be reached at the organization's mailing address? If "Yes," provide the names and addresses in Schedule O		X

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

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

**Section C. Disclosure**

- 17 List the states with which a copy of this Form 990 is required to be filed **AK, AL, AR, AZ, CA, CO, CT, FL, GA, IL, KS, LA**
- 18 Section 6104 requires an organization to make its Forms 1023 (or 1024 if applicable), 990, and 990-T (Section 501(c)(3)s only) available for public inspection. Indicate how you made these available. Check all that apply.  
 Own website  Another's website  Upon request  Other (explain in Schedule O)
- 19 Describe in Schedule O whether (and if so, how) the organization made its governing documents, conflict of interest policy, and financial statements available to the public during the tax year.
- 20 State the name, address, and telephone number of the person who possesses the organization's books and records: **ERICH PICA - (202) 783-7400**  
**1101 15TH STREET, NW, 11TH FLOOR, WASHINGTON, DC 20005**



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

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

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

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

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

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

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

(A) Name and Title	(B) Average hours per week (list any hours for related organizations below line)	(C) Position (do not check more than one box, unless person is both an officer and a director/trustee)						(D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W-2/1099-MISC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W-2/1099-MISC)	(F) Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations
		Individual trustee or director	Institutional trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former			
(1) ARLIE SCHARDT CHAIR	1.00 1.00	X		X				0.	0.	0.
(2) SOROUSH SHEHABI VICE-CHAIR	1.00 1.00	X		X				0.	0.	0.
(3) JEFF GLUECK TREASURER	1.00	X		X				0.	0.	0.
(4) HARRIETT CROSBY SECRETARY	1.00	X		X				0.	0.	0.
(5) CECIL CORBIN-MARK BOARD MEMBER	1.00	X						0.	0.	0.
(6) CHLOE MAXMIN BOARD MEMBER	1.00	X						0.	0.	0.
(7) CHRIS PABON BOARD MEMBER	1.50	X						0.	0.	0.
(8) CHRIS PAINE BOARD MEMBER	1.00	X						0.	0.	0.
(9) DAN GABEL BOARD MEMBER	1.00	X						0.	0.	0.
(10) DAVID ZWICK BOARD MEMBER	1.00 1.00	X						0.	0.	0.
(11) DORIA STEEDMAN BOARD MEMBER	1.00	X						0.	0.	0.
(12) HERMAN BLUESTEIN BOARD MEMBER	1.00	X						0.	0.	0.
(13) JAYNI CHASE BOARD MEMBER	1.00	X						0.	0.	0.
(14) JUDITH BROWNE DIANIS BOARD MEMBER	1.00	X						0.	0.	0.
(15) MARC ZIONTS BOARD MEMBER	1.00	X						0.	0.	0.
(16) MICHAEL HERZ BOARD MEMBER	1.00 1.00	X						0.	0.	0.
(17) STEPHEN NEMETH BOARD MEMBER	1.00	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 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			
(18) LAURA TURNER-SEYDEL BOARD MEMBER	1.00	X					0.	0.	0.	
(19) CLARENCE DITLOW BOARD MEMBER (07/16-11/16)	1.00	X					0.	0.	0.	
(20) ERICH PICA PRESIDENT	36.50 1.00			X			173,071.	0.	26,558.	
(21) MADELYN RYGG CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER (07/16-06/17)	37.50			X			100,938.	0.	25,213.	
<b>1b Sub-total</b>							274,009.	0.	51,771.	
<b>c Total from continuation sheets to Part VII, Section A</b>							0.	0.	0.	
<b>d Total (add lines 1b and 1c)</b>							274,009.	0.	51,771.	

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 **2**

	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
DIGITAL DOG DIRECT, 200 LUDLOW DRIVE, BUILDING E, EWING, NJ 08638	PRINTING & MAILING	460,413.
EU SERVICES P.O. BOX 676649, DALLAS, TX 75267	MAILING	416,952.
ANNE LEWIS STRATEGIES LLC, 1140 19TH STREET, NW, SUITE 300, WASHINGTON, DC	ONLINE ADVERTISING	279,989.
BELARDI OSTROY LLC P.O. BOX 5173, NEW YORK, NY 10087	LISTS	228,244.
AYRES LAW GROUP, 1401 K STREET, NW, SUITE 825, WASHINGTON, DC 20005	PROGRAM RELATED-LEGAL	185,137.

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 **11**



**Part VIII Statement of Revenue**

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

				(A) Total revenue	(B) Related or exempt function revenue	(C) Unrelated business revenue	(D) Revenue excluded from tax under sections 512-514
<b>Contributions, Gifts, Grants and Other Similar Amounts</b>	<b>1 a</b> Federated campaigns .....	<b>1a</b>					
	<b>b</b> Membership dues .....	<b>1b</b>	1,754,106.				
	<b>c</b> Fundraising events .....	<b>1c</b>					
	<b>d</b> Related organizations .....	<b>1d</b>					
	<b>e</b> Government grants (contributions) .....	<b>1e</b>					
	<b>f</b> All other contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts not included above .....	<b>1f</b>	10,634,629.				
	<b>g</b> Noncash contributions included in lines 1a-1f: \$ .....		79,167.				
	<b>h Total.</b> Add lines 1a-1f .....			12,388,735.			
<b>Program Service Revenue</b>	<b>2 a</b> _____ <b>Business Code</b> _____						
	<b>b</b> _____						
	<b>c</b> _____						
	<b>d</b> _____						
	<b>e</b> _____						
	<b>f</b> All other program service revenue .....						
	<b>g Total.</b> Add lines 2a-2f .....						
<b>Other Revenue</b>	<b>3</b> Investment income (including dividends, interest, and other similar amounts) .....				6,750.		6,750.
	<b>4</b> Income from investment of tax-exempt bond proceeds .....						
	<b>5</b> Royalties .....				22,678.		22,678.
	<b>6 a</b> Gross rents .....			(i) Real	8,049.		
	<b>b</b> Less: rental expenses .....			(ii) Personal	0.		
	<b>c</b> Rental income or (loss) .....				8,049.		
	<b>d</b> Net rental income or (loss) .....				8,049.		8,049.
	<b>7 a</b> Gross amount from sales of assets other than inventory .....			(i) Securities	1,182,669.		
	<b>b</b> Less: cost or other basis and sales expenses .....			(ii) Other	1,068,668.		
	<b>c</b> Gain or (loss) .....				114,001.		
	<b>d</b> Net gain or (loss) .....				114,001.		114,001.
	<b>8 a</b> Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ _____ of contributions reported on line 1c). See Part IV, line 18 .....			<b>a</b>			
	<b>b</b> Less: direct expenses .....			<b>b</b>			
	<b>c</b> Net income or (loss) from fundraising events .....						
	<b>9 a</b> Gross income from gaming activities. See Part IV, line 19 .....			<b>a</b>			
	<b>b</b> Less: direct expenses .....			<b>b</b>			
	<b>c</b> Net income or (loss) from gaming activities .....						
<b>10 a</b> Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances .....			<b>a</b>				
<b>b</b> Less: cost of goods sold .....			<b>b</b>				
<b>c</b> Net income or (loss) from sales of inventory .....							
<b>Miscellaneous Revenue</b>			<b>Business Code</b>				
<b>11 a</b> LEASE TERMINATION .....			900099	5,501.		5,501.	
<b>b</b> _____							
<b>c</b> _____							
<b>d</b> All other revenue .....							
<b>e Total.</b> Add lines 11a-11d .....				5,501.			
<b>12 Total revenue.</b> See instructions. ....				12,545,714.	0.	0.	156,979.

**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	541,200.	541,200.		
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	271,992.	271,992.		
4 Benefits paid to or for members				
5 Compensation of current officers, directors, trustees, and key employees	361,646.	258,201.	66,738.	36,707.
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	2,746,203.	1,965,594.	501,169.	279,440.
8 Pension plan accruals and contributions (include section 401(k) and 403(b) employer contributions)	69,538.	48,941.	13,640.	6,957.
9 Other employee benefits	512,429.	360,652.	100,512.	51,265.
10 Payroll taxes	230,744.	162,400.	45,260.	23,084.
11 Fees for services (non-employees):				
a Management				
b Legal	188,275.	162,653.	25,622.	
c Accounting	49,748.		49,748.	
d Lobbying				
e Professional fundraising services. See Part IV, line 17				
f Investment management fees	49,266.		49,266.	
g Other. (If line 11g amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A) amount, list line 11g expenses on Sch O.)	1,246,915.	1,031,211.	118,075.	97,629.
12 Advertising and promotion	127,562.	127,152.	140.	270.
13 Office expenses	1,442,886.	1,063,085.	63,967.	315,834.
14 Information technology	320,137.	111,152.	195,137.	13,848.
15 Royalties				
16 Occupancy	783,004.		783,004.	
17 Travel	178,491.	137,259.	31,821.	9,411.
18 Payments of travel or entertainment expenses for any federal, state, or local public officials				
19 Conferences, conventions, and meetings	94,273.	60,187.	22,837.	11,249.
20 Interest				
21 Payments to affiliates				
22 Depreciation, depletion, and amortization	225,797.	5,651.	218,786.	1,360.
23 Insurance	20,690.		20,690.	
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 RESEARCH, DATA, LISTS	633,614.	590,681.		42,933.
b DUES/PUB./SUBSCRIPTIONS	127,593.	100,219.	22,293.	5,081.
c OTHER GRANT EXPENSES	76,396.	76,396.		
d OVERHEADS APPLIED	-52,027.	1,230,883.	-1,449,907.	166,997.
e All other expenses	45,398.	2,914.	1,848.	40,636.
25 Total functional expenses. Add lines 1 through 24e	10,291,770.	8,308,423.	880,646.	1,102,701.
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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> if following SOP 98-2 (ASC 958-720)	1,508,387.	1,295,560.	0.	212,827.

**Part X Balance Sheet**

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

		(A) Beginning of year		(B) End of year	
<b>Assets</b>	1	Cash - non-interest-bearing	1,172,833.	1	5,729,364.
	2	Savings and temporary cash investments	4,629,587.	2	1,794,586.
	3	Pledges and grants receivable, net	648,712.	3	808,000.
	4	Accounts receivable, net	99,252.	4	46,067.
	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 instr). Complete Part II of Sch L		6	
	7	Notes and loans receivable, net		7	
	8	Inventories for sale or use		8	
	9	Prepaid expenses and deferred charges	142,046.	9	335,861.
	10a	Land, buildings, and equipment: cost or other basis. Complete Part VI of Schedule D	10a 1,892,249.		
	b	Less: accumulated depreciation	10b 407,486.	10c	1,484,763.
	11	Investments - publicly traded securities	5,252,256.	11	5,645,875.
	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	294,831.	15	410,660.
16	<b>Total assets.</b> Add lines 1 through 15 (must equal line 34)	13,914,852.	16	16,255,176.	
<b>Liabilities</b>	17	Accounts payable and accrued expenses	703,622.	17	581,577.
	18	Grants payable		18	
	19	Deferred revenue		19	
	20	Tax-exempt bond liabilities		20	
	21	Escrow or custodial account liability. Complete Part IV of Schedule D		21	
	22	Loans and other payables to current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, highest compensated employees, and disqualified persons. Complete Part II of Schedule L		22	
	23	Secured mortgages and notes payable to unrelated third parties		23	
	24	Unsecured notes and loans payable to unrelated third parties		24	
	25	Other liabilities (including federal income tax, payables to related third parties, and other liabilities not included on lines 17-24). Complete Part X of Schedule D	2,120,047.	25	1,852,163.
	26	<b>Total liabilities.</b> Add lines 17 through 25	2,823,669.	26	2,433,740.
<b>Net Assets or Fund Balances</b>	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	9,102,673.	27	9,281,736.
	28	Temporarily restricted net assets	1,778,238.	28	4,329,428.
	29	Permanently restricted net assets	210,272.	29	210,272.
	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	<b>Total net assets or fund balances</b>	11,091,183.	33	13,821,436.	
34	<b>Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances</b>	13,914,852.	34	16,255,176.	

**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	12,545,714.
2	Total expenses (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	2	10,291,770.
3	Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 2 from line 1	3	2,253,944.
4	Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (must equal Part X, line 33, column (A))	4	11,091,183.
5	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	5	476,309.
6	Donated services and use of facilities	6	
7	Investment expenses	7	
8	Prior period adjustments	8	
9	Other changes in net assets or fund balances (explain in Schedule O)	9	0.
10	Net assets or fund balances at end of year. Combine lines 3 through 9 (must equal Part X, line 33, column (B))	10	13,821,436.

**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
b	Were the organization's financial statements audited by an independent accountant? If "Yes," check a box below to indicate whether the financial statements for the year were audited on a separate basis, consolidated basis, or both: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Separate basis <input type="checkbox"/> Consolidated basis <input type="checkbox"/> Both consolidated and separate basis	X	
c	If "Yes" to line 2a or 2b, does the organization have a committee that assumes responsibility for oversight of the audit, review, or compilation of its financial statements and selection of an independent accountant? 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
b	If "Yes," did the organization undergo the required audit or audits? If the organization did not undergo the required audit or audits, explain why in Schedule O and describe any steps taken to undergo such audits		

Form 990 (2016)

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

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

**Public Charity Status and Public Support**

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

▶ Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ.

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

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Open to Public Inspection

Name of the organization: **FRIENDS OF THE EARTH** Employer identification number: **23-7420660**

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

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

- 1  A church, convention of churches, or association of churches described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(i)**.
- 2  A school described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)**. (Attach Schedule E (Form 990 or 990-EZ).)
- 3  A hospital or a cooperative hospital service organization described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii)**.
- 4  A medical research organization operated in conjunction with a hospital described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii)**. Enter the hospital's name, city, and state: \_\_\_\_\_
- 5  An organization operated for the benefit of a college or university owned or operated by a governmental unit described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iv)**. (Complete Part II.)
- 6  A federal, state, or local government or governmental unit described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(v)**.
- 7  An organization that normally receives a substantial part of its support from a governmental unit or from the general public described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi)**. (Complete Part II.)
- 8  A community trust described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi)**. (Complete Part II.)
- 9  An agricultural research organization described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(ix)** operated in conjunction with a land-grant college or university or a non-land-grant college of agriculture (see instructions). Enter the name, city, and state of the college or university: \_\_\_\_\_
- 10  An organization that normally receives: (1) more than 33 1/3% of its support from contributions, membership fees, and gross receipts from activities related to its exempt functions - subject to certain exceptions, and (2) no more than 33 1/3% of its support from gross investment income and unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 tax) from businesses acquired by the organization after June 30, 1975. See **section 509(a)(2)**. (Complete Part III.)
- 11  An organization organized and operated exclusively to test for public safety. See **section 509(a)(4)**.
- 12  An organization organized and operated exclusively for the benefit of, to perform the functions of, or to carry out the purposes of one or more publicly supported organizations described in **section 509(a)(1)** or **section 509(a)(2)**. See **section 509(a)(3)**. Check the box in lines 12a through 12d that describes the type of supporting organization and complete lines 12e, 12f, and 12g.
  - a  **Type I.** A supporting organization operated, supervised, or controlled by its supported organization(s), typically by giving the supported organization(s) the power to regularly appoint or elect a majority of the directors or trustees of the supporting organization. **You must complete Part IV, Sections A and B.**
  - b  **Type II.** A supporting organization supervised or controlled in connection with its supported organization(s), by having control or management of the supporting organization vested in the same persons that control or manage the supported organization(s). **You must complete Part IV, Sections A and C.**
  - c  **Type III functionally integrated.** A supporting organization operated in connection with, and functionally integrated with, its supported organization(s) (see instructions). **You must complete Part IV, Sections A, D, and E.**
  - d  **Type III non-functionally integrated.** A supporting organization operated in connection with its supported organization(s) that is not functionally integrated. The organization generally must satisfy a distribution requirement and an attentiveness requirement (see instructions). **You must complete Part IV, Sections A and D, and Part V.**
  - e  Check this box if the organization received a written determination from the IRS that it is a Type I, Type II, Type III functionally integrated, or Type III non-functionally integrated supporting organization.

f Enter the number of supported organizations: \_\_\_\_\_

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

(i) Name of supported organization	(ii) EIN	(iii) Type of organization (described on lines 1-10 above (see instructions))	(iv) Is the organization listed in your governing document?		(v) Amount of monetary support (see instructions)	(vi) Amount of other support (see instructions)
			Yes	No		
<b>Total</b>						

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

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

**Section A. Public Support**

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ▶	(a) 2012	(b) 2013	(c) 2014	(d) 2015	(e) 2016	(f) Total
1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received. (Do not include any "unusual grants.")	7,316,381.	7,367,430.	10,300,205.	8,814,488.	12,388,735.	46,187,239.
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 <b>Total.</b> Add lines 1 through 3	7,316,381.	7,367,430.	10,300,205.	8,814,488.	12,388,735.	46,187,239.
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)						459,144.
6 <b>Public support.</b> Subtract line 5 from line 4.						45,728,095.

**Section B. Total Support**

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ▶	(a) 2012	(b) 2013	(c) 2014	(d) 2015	(e) 2016	(f) Total
7 Amounts from line 4	7,316,381.	7,367,430.	10,300,205.	8,814,488.	12,388,735.	46,187,239.
8 Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources	125,743.	98,962.	90,151.	140,590.	37,477.	492,923.
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.)	33,364.	29,426.	2,366,794.	1,531,157.	5,501.	3,966,242.
11 <b>Total support.</b> Add lines 7 through 10						50,646,404.
12 Gross receipts from related activities, etc. (see instructions)					12	
13 <b>First five years.</b> If the Form 990 is for the organization's first, second, third, fourth, or fifth tax year as a section 501(c)(3) organization, check this box and <b>stop here</b> ▶ <input type="checkbox"/>						

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

14 Public support percentage for 2016 (line 6, column (f) divided by line 11, column (f))	14	90.29 %
15 Public support percentage from 2015 Schedule A, Part II, line 14	15	87.51 %
16a <b>33 1/3% support test - 2016.</b> If the organization did not check the box on line 13, and line 14 is 33 1/3% or more, check this box and <b>stop here.</b> The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization ▶ <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
b <b>33 1/3% support test - 2015.</b> If the organization did not check a box on line 13 or 16a, and line 15 is 33 1/3% or more, check this box and <b>stop here.</b> The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization ▶ <input type="checkbox"/>		
17a <b>10% -facts-and-circumstances test - 2016.</b> If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, or 16b, and line 14 is 10% or more, and if the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test, check this box and <b>stop here.</b> Explain in Part VI how the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization ▶ <input type="checkbox"/>		
b <b>10% -facts-and-circumstances test - 2015.</b> If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, 16b, or 17a, and line 15 is 10% or more, and if the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test, check this box and <b>stop here.</b> Explain in Part VI how the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization ▶ <input type="checkbox"/>		
18 <b>Private foundation.</b> If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, 16b, 17a, or 17b, check this box and see instructions ▶ <input type="checkbox"/>		



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

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

**Section A. Public Support**

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ▶	(a) 2012	(b) 2013	(c) 2014	(d) 2015	(e) 2016	(f) Total
<b>1</b> Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received. (Do not include any "unusual grants.") .....						
<b>2</b> Gross receipts from admissions, merchandise sold or services performed, or facilities furnished in any activity that is related to the organization's tax-exempt purpose .....						
<b>3</b> Gross receipts from activities that are not an unrelated trade or business under section 513 .....						
<b>4</b> Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf .....						
<b>5</b> The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge .....						
<b>6 Total.</b> Add lines 1 through 5 .....						
<b>7a</b> Amounts included on lines 1, 2, and 3 received from disqualified persons .....						
<b>b</b> Amounts included on lines 2 and 3 received from other than disqualified persons that exceed the greater of \$5,000 or 1% of the amount on line 13 for the year .....						
<b>c</b> Add lines 7a and 7b .....						
<b>8 Public support.</b> (Subtract line 7c from line 6.)						

**Section B. Total Support**

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

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

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

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

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

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

**19a 33 1/3% support tests - 2016.** If the organization did not check the box on line 14, and line 15 is more than 33 1/3%, and line 17 is not more than 33 1/3%, check this box and **stop here**. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization

**b 33 1/3% support tests - 2015.** If the organization did not check a box on line 14 or line 19a, and line 16 is more than 33 1/3%, and line 18 is not more than 33 1/3%, check this box and **stop here**. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization

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

**Part IV Supporting Organizations**

(Complete only if you checked a box in line 12 on Part I. If you checked 12a of Part I, complete Sections A and B. If you checked 12b of Part I, complete Sections A and C. If you checked 12c of Part I, complete Sections A, D, and E. If you checked 12d of Part I, complete Sections A and D, and complete Part V.)

**Section A. All Supporting Organizations**

	Yes	No
<b>1</b> Are all of the organization's supported organizations listed by name in the organization's governing documents? <i>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.</i>		
<b>2</b> Did the organization have any supported organization that does not have an IRS determination of status under section 509(a)(1) or (2)? <i>If "Yes," explain in Part VI how the organization determined that the supported organization was described in section 509(a)(1) or (2).</i>		
<b>3a</b> Did the organization have a supported organization described in section 501(c)(4), (5), or (6)? <i>If "Yes," answer (b) and (c) below.</i>		
<b>b</b> Did the organization confirm that each supported organization qualified under section 501(c)(4), (5), or (6) and satisfied the public support tests under section 509(a)(2)? <i>If "Yes," describe in Part VI when and how the organization made the determination.</i>		
<b>c</b> Did the organization ensure that all support to such organizations was used exclusively for section 170(c)(2)(B) purposes? <i>If "Yes," explain in Part VI what controls the organization put in place to ensure such use.</i>		
<b>4a</b> Was any supported organization not organized in the United States ("foreign supported organization")? <i>If "Yes," and if you checked 12a or 12b in Part I, answer (b) and (c) below.</i>		
<b>b</b> Did the organization have ultimate control and discretion in deciding whether to make grants to the foreign supported organization? <i>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.</i>		
<b>c</b> Did the organization support any foreign supported organization that does not have an IRS determination under sections 501(c)(3) and 509(a)(1) or (2)? <i>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.</i>		
<b>5a</b> Did the organization add, substitute, or remove any supported organizations during the tax year? <i>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).</i>		
<b>b Type I or Type II only.</b> Was any added or substituted supported organization part of a class already designated in the organization's organizing document?		
<b>c Substitutions only.</b> Was the substitution the result of an event beyond the organization's control?		
<b>6</b> Did the organization provide support (whether in the form of grants or the provision of services or facilities) to anyone other than (i) its supported organizations, (ii) individuals that are part of the charitable class benefited by one or more of its supported organizations, or (iii) other supporting organizations that also support or benefit one or more of the filing organization's supported organizations? <i>If "Yes," provide detail in Part VI.</i>		
<b>7</b> Did the organization provide a grant, loan, compensation, or other similar payment to a substantial contributor (defined in section 4958(c)(3)(C)), a family member of a substantial contributor, or a 35% controlled entity with regard to a substantial contributor? <i>If "Yes," complete Part I of Schedule L (Form 990 or 990-EZ).</i>		
<b>8</b> Did the organization make a loan to a disqualified person (as defined in section 4958) not described in line 7? <i>If "Yes," complete Part I of Schedule L (Form 990 or 990-EZ).</i>		
<b>9a</b> Was the organization controlled directly or indirectly at any time during the tax year by one or more disqualified persons as defined in section 4946 (other than foundation managers and organizations described in section 509(a)(1) or (2))? <i>If "Yes," provide detail in Part VI.</i>		
<b>b</b> Did one or more disqualified persons (as defined in line 9a) hold a controlling interest in any entity in which the supporting organization had an interest? <i>If "Yes," provide detail in Part VI.</i>		
<b>c</b> Did a disqualified person (as defined in line 9a) have an ownership interest in, or derive any personal benefit from, assets in which the supporting organization also had an interest? <i>If "Yes," provide detail in Part VI.</i>		
<b>10a</b> Was the organization subject to the excess business holdings rules of section 4943 because of section 4943(f) (regarding certain Type II supporting organizations, and all Type III non-functionally integrated supporting organizations)? <i>If "Yes," answer 10b below.</i>		
<b>b</b> Did the organization have any excess business holdings in the tax year? <i>(Use Schedule C, Form 4720, to determine whether the organization had excess business holdings.)</i>		

**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?		
b A family member of a person described in (a) above?		
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.		

**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.		
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.		

**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).		

**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?		
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).		
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.		

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

1 Check the box next to the method that the organization used to satisfy the Integral Part Test during the year (see Instructions).

a  The organization satisfied the Activities Test. Complete line 2 below.

b  The organization is the parent of each of its supported organizations. Complete line 3 below.

c  The organization supported a governmental entity. Describe in Part VI how you supported a government entity (see instructions).

2 Activities Test. Answer (a) and (b) below.

	Yes	No
a Did substantially all of the organization's activities during the tax year directly further the exempt purposes of the supported organization(s) to which the organization was responsive? If "Yes," then in Part VI identify those supported organizations and explain how these activities directly furthered their exempt purposes, how the organization was responsive to those supported organizations, and how the organization determined that these activities constituted substantially all of its activities.		
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.		

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.		
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.		

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

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

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	<b>Adjusted Net Income</b> (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	<b>Total</b> (add lines 1a, 1b, and 1c)	1d	
e	<b>Discount</b> 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	<b>Minimum Asset Amount</b> (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	<b>Distributable Amount.</b> 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).		

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

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

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

**Schedule of Contributors**

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

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**2016**

Name of the organization

FRIENDS OF THE EARTH

Employer identification number

23-7420660

Organization type (check one):

Filers of:

Section:

Form 990 or 990-EZ

501(c)( 3 ) (enter number) organization

4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust **not** treated as a private foundation

527 political organization

Form 990-PF

501(c)(3) exempt private foundation

4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust treated as a private foundation

501(c)(3) taxable private foundation

Check if your organization is covered by the **General Rule** or a **Special Rule**.

**Note:** Only a section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) organization can check boxes for both the General Rule and a Special Rule. See instructions.

**General Rule**

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

**Special Rules**

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

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

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

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

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Name of organization <b>FRIENDS OF THE EARTH</b>	Employer identification number <b>23-7420660</b>
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**Part I Contributors** (See instructions). Use duplicate copies of Part I if additional space is needed.

(a) No.	(b) Name, address, and ZIP + 4	(c) Total contributions	(d) Type of contribution
1	<hr/> <hr/> <hr/>	\$ 5,000,000.	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
2	<hr/> <hr/> <hr/>	\$ 400,000.	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
3	<hr/> <hr/> <hr/>	\$ 400,000.	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
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**Part II Noncash Property** (See instructions). Use duplicate copies of Part II if additional space is needed.

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

Name of organization

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

(a) No. from Part I	(b) Purpose of gift	(c) Use of gift	(d) Description of how gift is held

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

(a) No. from Part I	(b) Purpose of gift	(c) Use of gift	(d) Description of how gift is held

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

(a) No. from Part I	(b) Purpose of gift	(c) Use of gift	(d) Description of how gift is held

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

(a) No. from Part I	(b) Purpose of gift	(c) Use of gift	(d) Description of how gift is held

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

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

**Political Campaign and Lobbying Activities**

OMB No. 1545-0047

**2016**

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Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

For Organizations Exempt From Income Tax Under section 501(c) and section 527

▶ Complete if the organization is described below. ▶ Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ.

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

If the organization answered "Yes," on Form 990, Part IV, line 3, or Form 990-EZ, Part V, line 46 (Political Campaign Activities), then

- Section 501(c)(3) organizations: Complete Parts I-A and B. Do not complete Part I-C.
- Section 501(c) (other than section 501(c)(3)) organizations: Complete Parts I-A and C below. Do not complete Part I-B.
- Section 527 organizations: Complete Part I-A only.

If the organization answered "Yes," on Form 990, Part IV, line 4, or Form 990-EZ, Part VI, line 47 (Lobbying Activities), then

- Section 501(c)(3) organizations that have filed Form 5768 (election under section 501(h)): Complete Part II-A. Do not complete Part II-B.
- Section 501(c)(3) organizations that have NOT filed Form 5768 (election under section 501(h)): Complete Part II-B. Do not complete Part II-A.

If the organization answered "Yes," on Form 990, Part IV, line 5 (Proxy Tax) (see separate instructions) or Form 990-EZ, Part V, line 35c (Proxy Tax) (see separate instructions), then

- Section 501(c)(4), (5), or (6) organizations: Complete Part III.

Name of organization <b>FRIENDS OF THE EARTH</b>	Employer identification number <b>23-7420660</b>
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**Part I-A Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c) or is a section 527 organization.**

1 Provide a description of the organization's direct and indirect political campaign activities in Part IV.

2 Political campaign activity expenditures ..... ▶ \$ \_\_\_\_\_

3 Volunteer hours for political campaign activities ..... \_\_\_\_\_

**Part I-B Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(3).**

1 Enter the amount of any excise tax incurred by the organization under section 4955 ..... ▶ \$ \_\_\_\_\_

2 Enter the amount of any excise tax incurred by organization managers under section 4955 ..... ▶ \$ \_\_\_\_\_

3 If the organization incurred a section 4955 tax, did it file Form 4720 for this year? .....  Yes  No

4a Was a correction made? .....  Yes  No

b If "Yes," describe in Part IV.

**Part I-C Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c), except section 501(c)(3).**

1 Enter the amount directly expended by the filing organization for section 527 exempt function activities ..... ▶ \$ \_\_\_\_\_

2 Enter the amount of the filing organization's funds contributed to other organizations for section 527 exempt function activities ..... ▶ \$ \_\_\_\_\_

3 Total exempt function expenditures. Add lines 1 and 2. Enter here and on Form 1120-POL, line 17b ..... ▶ \$ \_\_\_\_\_

4 Did the filing organization file Form 1120-POL for this year? .....  Yes  No

5 Enter the names, addresses and employer identification number (EIN) of all section 527 political organizations to which the filing organization made payments. For each organization listed, enter the amount paid from the filing organization's funds. Also enter the amount of political contributions received that were promptly and directly delivered to a separate political organization, such as a separate segregated fund or a political action committee (PAC). If additional space is needed, provide information in Part IV.

(a) Name	(b) Address	(c) EIN	(d) Amount paid from filing organization's funds. If none, enter -0-.	(e) Amount of political contributions received and promptly and directly delivered to a separate political organization. If none, enter -0-.

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**Part II-A** Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(3) and filed Form 5768 (election under section 501(h)).

**A** Check  if the filing organization belongs to an affiliated group (and list in Part IV each affiliated group member's name, address, EIN, expenses, and share of excess lobbying expenditures).

**B** Check  if the filing organization checked box A and "limited control" provisions apply.

<b>Limits on Lobbying Expenditures</b> (The term "expenditures" means amounts paid or incurred.)		(a) Filing organization's totals	(b) Affiliated group totals												
<b>1a</b> Total lobbying expenditures to influence public opinion (grass roots lobbying) .....		83,127.													
<b>b</b> Total lobbying expenditures to influence a legislative body (direct lobbying) .....		73,787.													
<b>c</b> Total lobbying expenditures (add lines 1a and 1b) .....		156,914.													
<b>d</b> Other exempt purpose expenditures .....		10,134,857.													
<b>e</b> Total exempt purpose expenditures (add lines 1c and 1d) .....		10,291,771.													
<b>f</b> Lobbying nontaxable amount. Enter the amount from the following table in both columns.		664,589.													
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Over \$500,000 but not over \$1,000,000	\$100,000 plus 15% of the excess over \$500,000.														
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Over \$17,000,000	\$1,000,000.														
<b>g</b> Grassroots nontaxable amount (enter 25% of line 1f) .....		166,147.													
<b>h</b> Subtract line 1g from line 1a. If zero or less, enter -0- .....		0.													
<b>i</b> Subtract line 1f from line 1c. If zero or less, enter -0- .....		0.													
<b>j</b> If there is an amount other than zero on either line 1h or line 1i, did the organization file Form 4720 reporting section 4911 tax for this year? .....			<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No												

**4-Year Averaging Period Under section 501(h)**  
(Some organizations that made a section 501(h) election do not have to complete all of the five columns below. See the separate instructions for lines 2a through 2f.)

<b>Lobbying Expenditures During 4-Year Averaging Period</b>					
Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in)	(a) 2013	(b) 2014	(c) 2015	(d) 2016	(e) Total
<b>2a</b> Lobbying nontaxable amount	472,816.	632,873.	651,255.	664,589.	2,421,533.
<b>b</b> Lobbying ceiling amount (150% of line 2a, column(e))					3,632,300.
<b>c</b> Total lobbying expenditures	52,064.	421,105.	150,559.	156,914.	780,642.
<b>d</b> Grassroots nontaxable amount	118,204.	158,218.	162,814.	166,147.	605,383.
<b>e</b> Grassroots ceiling amount (150% of line 2d, column (e))					908,075.
<b>f</b> Grassroots lobbying expenditures	11,231.	127,351.	65,366.	83,127.	287,075.



**Part II-B Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(3) and has NOT filed Form 5768 (election under section 501(h)).**

	(a)		(b)
	Yes	No	Amount
<b>1</b> During the year, did the filing organization attempt to influence foreign, national, state or local legislation, including any attempt to influence public opinion on a legislative matter or referendum, through the use of:			
<b>a</b> Volunteers?			
<b>b</b> Paid staff or management (include compensation in expenses reported on lines 1c through 1i)?			
<b>c</b> Media advertisements?			
<b>d</b> Mailings to members, legislators, or the public?			
<b>e</b> Publications, or published or broadcast statements?			
<b>f</b> Grants to other organizations for lobbying purposes?			
<b>g</b> Direct contact with legislators, their staffs, government officials, or a legislative body?			
<b>h</b> Rallies, demonstrations, seminars, conventions, speeches, lectures, or any similar means?			
<b>i</b> Other activities?			
<b>j</b> Total. Add lines 1c through 1i			
<b>2a</b> Did the activities in line 1 cause the organization to be not described in section 501(c)(3)?			
<b>b</b> If "Yes," enter the amount of any tax incurred under section 4912			
<b>c</b> If "Yes," enter the amount of any tax incurred by organization managers under section 4912			
<b>d</b> If the filing organization incurred a section 4912 tax, did it file Form 4720 for this year?			

**Part III-A Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(4), section 501(c)(5), or section 501(c)(6).**

	Yes	No
<b>1</b> Were substantially all (90% or more) dues received nondeductible by members?	<b>1</b>	
<b>2</b> Did the organization make only in-house lobbying expenditures of \$2,000 or less?	<b>2</b>	
<b>3</b> Did the organization agree to carry over lobbying and political campaign activity expenditures from the prior year?	<b>3</b>	

**Part III-B Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(4), section 501(c)(5), or section 501(c)(6) and if either (a) BOTH Part III-A, lines 1 and 2, are answered "No," OR (b) Part III-A, line 3, is answered "Yes."**

<b>1</b> Dues, assessments and similar amounts from members	<b>1</b>	
<b>2</b> Section 162(e) nondeductible lobbying and political expenditures (do not include amounts of political expenses for which the section 527(f) tax was paid).		
<b>a</b> Current year	<b>2a</b>	
<b>b</b> Carryover from last year	<b>2b</b>	
<b>c</b> Total	<b>2c</b>	
<b>3</b> Aggregate amount reported in section 6033(e)(1)(A) notices of nondeductible section 162(e) dues	<b>3</b>	
<b>4</b> If notices were sent and the amount on line 2c exceeds the amount on line 3, what portion of the excess does the organization agree to carryover to the reasonable estimate of nondeductible lobbying and political expenditure next year?	<b>4</b>	
<b>5</b> Taxable amount of lobbying and political expenditures (see instructions)	<b>5</b>	

**Part IV Supplemental Information**

Provide the descriptions required for Part I-A, line 1; Part I-B, line 4; Part I-C, line 5; Part II-A (affiliated group list); Part II-A, lines 1 and 2 (see instructions); and Part II-B, line 1. Also, complete this part for any additional information.

**SCHEDULE D**  
(Form 990)

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

**Supplemental Financial Statements**

▶ Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11a, 11b, 11c, 11d, 11e, 11f, 12a, or 12b.  
▶ Attach to Form 990.

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

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Name of the organization

FRIENDS OF THE EARTH

Employer identification number  
23-7420660

**Part I Organizations Maintaining Donor Advised Funds or Other Similar Funds or Accounts.** Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 6.

	(a) Donor advised funds	(b) Funds and other accounts
1 Total number at end of year .....		
2 Aggregate value of contributions to (during year) .....		
3 Aggregate value of grants from (during year) .....		
4 Aggregate value at end of year .....		
5 Did the organization inform all donors and donor advisors in writing that the assets held in donor advised funds are the organization's property, subject to the organization's exclusive legal control? .....		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
6 Did the organization inform all grantees, donors, and donor advisors in writing that grant funds can be used only for charitable purposes and not for the benefit of the donor or donor advisor, or for any other purpose conferring impermissible private benefit? .....		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No

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

1 Purpose(s) of conservation easements held by the organization (check all that apply).  
 Preservation of land for public use (e.g., recreation or education)     Preservation of a historically important land area  
 Protection of natural habitat     Preservation of a certified historic structure  
 Preservation of open space

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

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

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

4 Number of states where property subject to conservation easement is located ▶ \_\_\_\_\_

5 Does the organization have a written policy regarding the periodic monitoring, inspection, handling of violations, and enforcement of the conservation easements it holds? .....

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

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

8 Does each conservation easement reported on line 2(d) above satisfy the requirements of section 170(h)(4)(B)(i) and section 170(h)(4)(B)(ii)? .....

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

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

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

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

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

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

(ii) Assets included in Form 990, Part X .....

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

a Revenue included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 1 .....

b Assets included in Form 990, Part X .....

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Schedule D (Form 990) 2016

**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	264,550.	264,550.	264,550.	264,550.	153,991.
b Contributions					110,272.
c Net investment earnings, gains, and losses	4,835.	1,212.	472.	99.	427.
d Grants or scholarships					
e Other expenditures for facilities and programs			472.	99.	140.
f Administrative expenses	5,692.	1,212.			
g End of year balance	263,693.	264,550.	264,550.	264,550.	264,550.

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

- a Board designated or quasi-endowment  \_\_\_\_\_ %
- b Permanent endowment  79.74 %
- c Temporarily restricted endowment  20.26 %

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				
b Buildings				
c Leasehold improvements		1,243,930.	182,701.	1,061,229.
d Equipment		648,319.	224,785.	423,534.
e Other				

**Total.** Add lines 1a through 1e. (Column (d) must equal Form 990, Part X, column (B), line 10c.)  1,484,763.

**Part VII Investments - Other Securities.**

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 11b. See Form 990, Part X, line 12.

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

**Part VIII Investments - Program Related.**

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 11c. See Form 990, Part X, line 13.

(a) Description of investment	(b) Book value	(c) Method of valuation: Cost or end-of-year market value
(1) .....		
(2) .....		
(3) .....		
(4) .....		
(5) .....		
(6) .....		
(7) .....		
(8) .....		
(9) .....		
<b>Total.</b> (Col. (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col. (B) line 13.) ▶		

**Part IX Other Assets.**

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

(a) Description	(b) Book value
(1) .....	
(2) .....	
(3) .....	
(4) .....	
(5) .....	
(6) .....	
(7) .....	
(8) .....	
(9) .....	
<b>Total.</b> (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col. (B) line 15.) ▶	

**Part X Other Liabilities.**

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

1. (a) Description of liability	(b) Book value
(1) Federal income taxes	
(2) DEFERRED RENT	824,524.
(3) CHARITABLE GIFT ANNUITY LIABILITY	32,679.
(4) LEASEHOLD IMPROVEMENT ALLOWANCE	994,960.
(5) .....	
(6) .....	
(7) .....	
(8) .....	
(9) .....	
<b>Total.</b> (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col. (B) line 25.) ▶	1,852,163.

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

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

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

1	Total revenue, gains, and other support per audited financial statements		1	13,022,023.
2	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12:			
a	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	2a		476,309.
b	Donated services and use of facilities	2b		
c	Recoveries of prior year grants	2c		
d	Other (Describe in Part XIII.)	2d		
e	Add lines 2a through 2d	2e		476,309.
3	Subtract line 2e from line 1	3		12,545,714.
4	Amounts included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, but not on line 1:			
a	Investment expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b	4a		
b	Other (Describe in Part XIII.)	4b		
c	Add lines 4a and 4b	4c		0.
5	Total revenue. Add lines 3 and 4c. (This must equal Form 990, Part I, line 12.)	5		12,545,714.

**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	10,291,770.
2	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part IX, line 25:			
a	Donated services and use of facilities	2a		
b	Prior year adjustments	2b		
c	Other losses	2c		
d	Other (Describe in Part XIII.)	2d		
e	Add lines 2a through 2d	2e		0.
3	Subtract line 2e from line 1	3		10,291,770.
4	Amounts included on Form 990, Part IX, line 25, but not on line 1:			
a	Investment expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b	4a		
b	Other (Describe in Part XIII.)	4b		
c	Add lines 4a and 4b	4c		0.
5	Total expenses. Add lines 3 and 4c. (This must equal Form 990, Part I, line 18.)	5		10,291,770.

**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:**

THE PERMANENT ENDOWMENT IS INTENDED TO SUPPORT COMMUNICATIONS INTERNSHIPS.  
THE TERM ENDOWMENT IS FOR GENERAL SUPPORT.

**PART X, LINE 2:**

THE ORGANIZATION IS EXEMPT FROM THE PAYMENT OF INCOME TAXES ON ITS EXEMPT ACTIVITIES UNDER SECTION 501(C)(3) OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE (IRC). THE ORGANIZATION HAS BEEN CLASSIFIED BY THE INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE AS A PUBLICLY SUPPORTED ORGANIZATION UNDER SECTION 509(A)(1) OF THE IRC.

THE ORGANIZATION'S INCOME TAX RETURNS ARE SUBJECT TO REVIEW AND EXAMINATION BY FEDERAL AND STATE AUTHORITIES.





**SCHEDULE F**  
**(Form 990)**

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

**Statement of Activities Outside the United States**

▶ Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 14b, 15, or 16.

▶ Attach to Form 990.

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

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Inspection

Name of the organization <b>FRIENDS OF THE EARTH</b>	Employer identification number <b>23-7420660</b>
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**Part I** **General Information on Activities Outside the United States.** Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 14b.

- 1 **For grantmakers.** Does the organization maintain records to substantiate the amount of its grants and other assistance, the grantees' eligibility for the grants or assistance, and the selection criteria used to award the grants or assistance? .....  **Yes**  **No**
- 2 **For grantmakers.** Describe in Part V the organization's procedures for monitoring the use of its grants and other assistance outside the United States.
- 3 **Activities per Region.** (The following Part I, line 3 table can be duplicated if additional space is needed.)

(a) Region	(b) Number of offices in the region	(c) Number of employees, agents, and independent contractors in the region	(d) Activities conducted in the region (by type) (such as, fundraising, program services, investments, grants to recipients located in the region)	(e) If activity listed in (d) is a program service, describe specific type of service(s) in the region	(f) Total expenditures for and investments in the region
EUROPE (INCLUDING ICELAND & GREENLAND)	0	0	GRANTS TO RECIPIENTS LOCATED IN REGION		6,000.
NORTH AMERICA	0	0	GRANTS TO RECIPIENTS LOCATED IN REGION		260,992.
SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA	0	0	GRANTS TO RECIPIENTS LOCATED IN REGION		5,000.
<b>3 a</b> Sub-total .....	0	0			271,992.
<b>b</b> Total from continuation sheets to Part I .....	0	0			0.
<b>c</b> Totals (add lines 3a and 3b) .....	0	0			271,992.

**FRIENDS OF THE EARTH**

23-7420660

**Part II** Grants and Other Assistance to Organizations or Entities Outside the United States. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 15, for any recipient who received more than \$5,000. Part II can be duplicated if additional space is needed.

1 (a) Name of organization	(b) IRS code section and EIN (if applicable)	(c) Region	(d) Purpose of grant	(e) Amount of cash grant	(f) Manner of cash disbursement	(g) Amount of noncash assistance	(h) Description of noncash assistance	(i) Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other)
		EUROPE (INCLUDING ICELAND & GREENLAND)	TO SUPPORT SOLIDARITY FUND	6,000.	WIRE TRANSFER	0.		
		NORTH AMERICA	CHIAPAS SUSTAINABILITY SCHOOL & MAYAN ECOLOGICAL PARK	260,992.	WIRE TRANSFER	0.		
		SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA	COLLABORATION ON FIELD RESEARCH AND REPORT-PALM OIL LIBERIA	5,000.	WIRE TRANSFER	0.		

2 Enter total number of recipient organizations listed above that are recognized as charities by the foreign country, recognized as tax-exempt by the IRS, or for which the grantee or counsel has provided a section 501(c)(3) equivalency letter **3**

3 Enter total number of other organizations or entities **0**



Part IV Foreign Forms

- 1 Was the organization a U.S. transferor of property to a foreign corporation during the tax year? If "Yes," the organization may be required to file Form 926, Return by a U.S. Transferor of Property to a Foreign Corporation (see Instructions for Form 926)  Yes  No
- 2 Did the organization have an interest in a foreign trust during the tax year? If "Yes," the organization may be required to separately file Form 3520, Annual Return To Report Transactions With Foreign Trusts and Receipt of Certain Foreign Gifts, and/or Form 3520-A, Annual Information Return of Foreign Trust With a U.S. Owner (see Instructions for Forms 3520 and 3520-A; do not file with Form 990)  Yes  No
- 3 Did the organization have an ownership interest in a foreign corporation during the tax year? If "Yes," the organization may be required to file Form 5471, Information Return of U.S. Persons With Respect To Certain Foreign Corporations (see Instructions for Form 5471)  Yes  No
- 4 Was the organization a direct or indirect shareholder of a passive foreign investment company or a qualified electing fund during the tax year? If "Yes," the organization may be required to file Form 8621, Information Return by a Shareholder of a Passive Foreign Investment Company or Qualified Electing Fund (see Instructions for Form 8621)  Yes  No
- 5 Did the organization have an ownership interest in a foreign partnership during the tax year? If "Yes," the organization may be required to file Form 8865, Return of U.S. Persons With Respect to Certain Foreign Partnerships (see Instructions for Form 8865)  Yes  No
- 6 Did the organization have any operations in or related to any boycotting countries during the tax year? If "Yes," the organization may be required to separately file Form 5713, International Boycott Report (see Instructions for Form 5713; do not file with Form 990)  Yes  No

**Part V Supplemental Information**

Provide the information required by Part I, line 2 (monitoring of funds); Part I, line 3, column (f) (accounting method; amounts of investments vs. expenditures per region); Part II, line 1 (accounting method); Part III (accounting method); and Part III, column (c) (estimated number of recipients), as applicable. Also complete this part to provide any additional information. See instructions.

PART I, LINE 2:

OTHER THAN SMALL CONTRIBUTIONS TO ASSIST IN EMERGENCY NEEDS. ALL GRANTS MADE OUTSIDE THE U.S. ARE SUBGRANTS. THE ORGANIZATION REQUIRES SUBGRANTEES TO REPORT TO THE SAME STANDARDS REQUIRED OF THE ORIGINAL GRANT, INCLUDING FINANCIAL AND NARRATIVE REPORTS.

**SCHEDULE I  
(Form 990)**

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

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

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

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Name of the organization

**FRIENDS OF THE EARTH**

Employer identification number  
**23-7420660**

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

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

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

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

1 (a) Name and address of organization or government	(b) EIN	(c) IRC section (if applicable)	(d) Amount of cash grant	(e) Amount of non-cash assistance	(f) Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other)	(g) Description of non-cash assistance	(h) Purpose of grant or assistance
AS YOU SOW 1511 TELEGRAPH AVENUE, SUITE 1450 OAKLAND, CA 94612	943169008	501(C)(3)	6,200.	0.			MORNINGSTAR FUND HOLDING-DEFORESTATION FREE FUNDS
INSTITUTE FOR GOVERNANCE & SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT - 2300 WISCONSIN AVENUE, NW, SUITE 300B - WASHINGTON, DC 20007	810616238	501(C)(3)	15,000.	0.			SUBGRANT ROCKEFELLER FAM-TO SUPPORT WORK ON CLIMATE CHANGE
GREENFAITH 101 SOUTH THIRD AVENUE, SUITE 12 HIGHLAND PARK, NJ 08904	223452273	501(C)(3)	20,000.	0.			CONTRIBUTION FOR 2017 PEOPLE'S CLIMATE MARCH
ADVANCEMENT PROJECT 1220 L STREET, NW, SUITE 850 WASHINGTON, DC 20005	954835230	501(C)(3)	50,000.	0.			VOTER PROTECTION AND GOTV WORK
YES FOR HEALTH AND SAFETY OVER FRACKING - PO BOX 18872 - BOULDER, CO 80308		501(C)(4)	50,000.	0.			CONTRIBUTION-RESTRICTED TO 501(C)(3) ACTIVITIES
LEAGUE OF CONSERVATION VOTERS EDUCATION FUND - 9851 GEORGETOWN PIKE - GREAT FALLS, VA 22066	521379661	501(C)(3)	150,000.	0.			VOTER EDUCATION/REGISTRATION WORK

2 Enter total number of section 501(c)(3) and government organizations listed in the line 1 table **5.**

3 Enter total number of other organizations listed in the line 1 table **2.**

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SEE PART IV FOR COLUMN (H) DESCRIPTIONS

Schedule I (Form 990) (2016)

Part II Continuation of Grants and Other Assistance to Governments and Organizations in the United States (Schedule I (Form 990), Part II)							
(a) Name and address of organization or government	(b) EIN	(c) IRC section if applicable	(d) Amount of cash grant	(e) Amount of non-cash assistance	(f) Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other)	(g) Description of non-cash assistance	(h) Purpose of grant or assistance
FRIENDS OF THE EARTH (ACTION), INC. 1101 15TH STREET, NW, 11TH FLOOR WASHINGTON, DC 20005	132644641	501(C)(4)	250,000.	0.			TO ADVANCE PROGRAMS CONSISTENT WITH FOE'S MISSION (RESTRICTED TO 501(C)(3) ALLOWED

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

(a) Type of grant or assistance	(b) Number of recipients	(c) Amount of cash grant	(d) Amount of non-cash assistance	(e) Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other)	(f) Description of non-cash assistance

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

PART I, LINE 2:  
 THE ORGANIZATION REQUIRES FINANCIAL AND NARRATIVE REPORTING ON GRANTS OVER \$5,000.  
 PART II, LINE 1, COLUMN (H):  
 NAME OF ORGANIZATION OR GOVERNMENT: FRIENDS OF THE EARTH (ACTION), INC.  
 (H) PURPOSE OF GRANT OR ASSISTANCE: TO ADVANCE PROGRAMS CONSISTENT WITH FOE'S MISSION (RESTRICTED TO 501(C)(3) ALLOWED ACTIVITY).



**SCHEDULE J  
(Form 990)**

**Compensation Information**

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

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

▶ Attach to Form 990.

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**Part I Questions Regarding Compensation**

	Yes	No
<b>1a</b> Check the appropriate box(es) if the organization provided any of the following to or for a person listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a. Complete Part III to provide any relevant information regarding these items.		
<input type="checkbox"/> First-class or charter travel		
<input type="checkbox"/> Travel for companions		
<input type="checkbox"/> Tax indemnification and gross-up payments		
<input type="checkbox"/> Discretionary spending account		
<input type="checkbox"/> Housing allowance or residence for personal use		
<input type="checkbox"/> Payments for business use of personal residence		
<input type="checkbox"/> Health or social club dues or initiation fees		
<input type="checkbox"/> Personal services (such as, maid, chauffeur, chef)		
<b>b</b> If any of the boxes on line 1a are checked, did the organization follow a written policy regarding payment or reimbursement or provision of all of the expenses described above? If "No," complete Part III to explain	<b>1b</b>	
<b>2</b> Did the organization require substantiation prior to reimbursing or allowing expenses incurred by all directors, trustees, and officers, including the CEO/Executive Director, regarding the items checked on line 1a?	<b>2</b>	
<b>3</b> Indicate which, if any, of the following the filing organization used to establish the compensation of the organization's CEO/Executive Director. Check all that apply. Do not check any boxes for methods used by a related organization to establish compensation of the CEO/Executive Director, but explain in Part III.		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Compensation committee		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Independent compensation consultant		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form 990 of other organizations		
<input type="checkbox"/> Written employment contract		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Compensation survey or study		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Approval by the board or compensation committee		
<b>4</b> During the year, did any person listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, with respect to the filing organization or a related organization:		
<b>a</b> Receive a severance payment or change-of-control payment?	<b>4a</b>	X
<b>b</b> Participate in, or receive payment from, a supplemental nonqualified retirement plan?	<b>4b</b>	X
<b>c</b> Participate in, or receive payment from, an equity-based compensation arrangement?	<b>4c</b>	X
If "Yes" to any of lines 4a-c, list the persons and provide the applicable amounts for each item in Part III.		
<b>Only section 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations must complete lines 5-9.</b>		
<b>5</b> For persons listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization pay or accrue any compensation contingent on the revenues of:		
<b>a</b> The organization?	<b>5a</b>	X
<b>b</b> Any related organization?	<b>5b</b>	X
If "Yes" on line 5a or 5b, describe in Part III.		
<b>6</b> For persons listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization pay or accrue any compensation contingent on the net earnings of:		
<b>a</b> The organization?	<b>6a</b>	X
<b>b</b> Any related organization?	<b>6b</b>	X
If "Yes" on line 6a or 6b, describe in Part III.		
<b>7</b> For persons listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization provide any nonfixed payments not described on lines 5 and 6? If "Yes," describe in Part III	<b>7</b>	X
<b>8</b> Were any amounts reported on Form 990, Part VII, paid or accrued pursuant to a contract that was subject to the initial contract exception described in Regulations section 53.4958-4(a)(3)? If "Yes," describe in Part III	<b>8</b>	X
<b>9</b> If "Yes" on line 8, did the organization also follow the rebuttable presumption procedure described in Regulations section 53.4958-6(c)?	<b>9</b>	

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Schedule J (Form 990) 2016

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

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

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

(A) Name and Title	(B) Breakdown of W-2 and/or 1099-MISC compensation			(C) Retirement and other deferred compensation	(D) Nontaxable benefits	(E) Total of columns (B)(i)-(D)	(F) Compensation in column (B) reported as deferred on prior Form 990
	(i) Base compensation	(ii) Bonus & incentive compensation	(iii) Other reportable compensation				
(i) ERICH PICA PRESIDENT	173,071.	0.	0.	5,056.	21,502.	199,629.	0.
(ii)	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.
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**Part III Supplemental Information**

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

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**SCHEDULE M  
(Form 990)**

**Noncash Contributions**

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

Name of the organization: **FRIENDS OF THE EARTH** Employer identification number: **23-7420660**

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
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9	X	14	79,167.	FMV AT TRANSFER
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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 isn't 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 nonstandard 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 didn't report an amount in column (c) for a type of property for which column (a) is checked, describe in Part II.		

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Schedule M (Form 990) (2016)

**Part II**

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

Lined area for supplemental information.

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

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

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

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

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

BEING, AND BY BUILDING MOVEMENTS IN THE UNITED STATES AND GLOBALLY  
WORKING FOR THOSE ENDS.

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

PROMOTING THE OVERTURN OF CITIZENS UNITED, TO RAISE AWARENESS OF THE  
NEED FOR CAMPAIGN FINANCE REFORM, AN ATTEMPT TO PRIORITIZE THE VOICES  
OF VOTERS OVER CORPORATIONS. THIS TEAM ALSO WORKS TO ADDRESS THE ROOT  
CAUSES OF FOREST DESTRUCTION THROUGH ITS CAMPAIGN AGAINST LANDGRABS,  
PRIMARILY RELATED TO PALM OIL PRODUCTION AND ALSO CHALLENGES FOREST  
CARBON OFFSETS.

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

CONSUMER PRODUCTS. THE TEAM CONTINUED EFFORTS TO RAISE AWARENESS OF THE  
ENVIRONMENTAL AND HEALTH HARMS FROM FACTORY FARMING, WITH TOOLS SUCH AS  
ITS LESS AND BETTER MEAT PROGRAM AND PRESSURING RESTAURANT CHAINS TO  
SERVE HEALTHIER FOOD. ITS AGROECOLOGY PROGRAM IS A SOLUTIONS-ORIENTED  
PROGRAM PROMOTING ORGANIC AND SUSTAINABLE DIETS. FOE'S FOOD &  
TECHNOLOGY TEAM FUNDS AND PARTICIPATES IN NUMEROUS SCIENTIFIC STUDIES  
AND PUBLISHES THE RESULTS TO EDUCATE THE PUBLIC IN REPORTS SUCH AS  
FARMING FOR THE FUTURE, WHICH DEMONSTRATES HOW ORGANIC FARMING CAN FEED  
THE WORLD; AND CHAIN REACTION, A RATING OF TOP RESTAURANTS ON REDUCING  
THEIR USE OF ANTIBIOTICS IN THEIR MEAT SUPPLY.

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

CLIMATE & ENERGY:

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Schedule O (Form 990 or 990-EZ) (2016)

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THE CLIMATE & ENERGY TEAM PROMOTES CLEAN ENERGY AND CONSERVATION AND FIGHTS TO END OUR DEPENDENCE ON DIRTY, HARMFUL SOURCES OF ENERGY INCLUDING COAL, OIL, NATURAL GAS AND NUCLEAR. IN FY2017 THE TEAM CONTINUED EFFORTS TO PHASE OUT OUR USE OF DANGEROUS, AGING NUCLEAR REACTORS, RESULTING IN AN AGREEMENT TO SHUT DOWN THE DIABLO CANYON NUCLEAR FACILITY IN CALIFORNIA; EFFORTS TO KEEP FOSSIL FUELS IN THE GROUND BY OPPOSING PIPELINES AND THE LEASING OF PUBLIC LANDS FOR FOSSIL FUEL EXTRACTION.

EXPENSES \$ 556,126. INCLUDING GRANTS OF \$ 59,980. REVENUE \$ 0.

OCEAN & VESSEL:

THE OCEANS & VESSELS TEAM WORKS TO STOP HARMFUL AIR AND WATER POLLUTION FROM OCEAN-GOING VESSELS, CRUISE SHIPS AND OIL PLATFORMS IN ORDER TO PROTECT HUMAN HEALTH AND THE MARINE ENVIRONMENT. THE TEAM PRODUCES AN ANNUAL CRUISE SHIP REPORT CARD TO EDUCATE THE PUBLIC ON ENVIRONMENTALLY SOUND AND UNSOUND PRACTICES OF THE CRUISE SHIP INDUSTRY. IN FY2017 ITS ARCTIC CAMPAIGN ACCOMPLISHED THE PASSING OF A POLAR CODE TO GUARDIAN ACTIVITIES IN THE ARCTIC OCEAN. THE TEAM ALSO CONTINUES WORK TO END THE USE OF LEADED AVIATION FUEL.

EXPENSES \$ 470,297. INCLUDING GRANTS OF \$ 500. REVENUE \$ 0.

FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION A, LINE 1:

THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE IS COMPRISED OF NO FEWER THAN FIVE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS, INCLUDING THE CHAIR, VICE CHAIR, SECRETARY, TREASURER AND PRESIDENT/CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER. A MAJORITY OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE ARE TO BE BOARD MEMBERS ELECTED BY THE MEMBERS OR BOARD OF DIRECTORS. NO PERSON WHO IS NOT A MEMBER OF THE BOARD MAY BE ELECTED TO THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE. EXCEPT AS SPECIFIED IN SECTION 2.02 OF THE

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ORGANIZATION'S BYLAWS, THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE HAS AND MAY EXERCISE THE AUTHORITY OF THE BOARD BETWEEN MEETINGS OF THE BOARD.

FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION A, LINE 6:

THE ORGANIZATION HAS ONE CLASS OF MEMBERS.

FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION A, LINE 7A:

EACH MEMBER SHALL BE ENTITLED TO ONE VOTE ON EACH MATTER SUBMITTED TO A VOTE OF THE MEMBERS. MEMBERS ARE ENTITLED TO VOTE FOR A ONE MEMBER OF THE BOARD.

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

THE FINANCE CHAIR AND EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE CHAIR CONDUCT AN EXTENSIVE REVIEW OF THE FORM 990 PRIOR TO FILING; ALL BOARD MEMBERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO REVIEW THE FORM 990 AND SUBMIT QUESTIONS. QUESTIONS AND RESPONSES ARE EXCHANGED BY EMAIL, WITH ALL BOARD MEMBERS AND KEY STAFF INCLUDED.

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

EACH BOARD MEMBER IS REQUIRED TO FILL OUT A CONFLICT OF INTEREST DISCLOSURE FORM ANNUALLY. ANY ACTUAL OR POTENTIAL CONFLICTS ARE REVIEWED IN DEPTH BY THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, AND DECISIONS ARE MADE AS TO WHETHER THE BOARD MEMBER SHOULD CONTINUE IN HIS/HER BOARD ROLE, OR POSSIBLY RECUSE HIM/HERSELF FROM VOTING ON CERTAIN MATTERS.

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

THE PRESIDENT'S COMPENSATION IS DETERMINED BY THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, WHO ASSESS HIS OVERALL PERFORMANCE IN THE POSITION AND THE FINANCIAL CONDITION OF THE ORGANIZATION. AS PART OF THE PROCESS, THE COMMITTEE CONSULTS WITH



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FOE'S OUTSOURCED HUMAN RESOURCES PROFESSIONALS FOR CURRENT BENCHMARKS OF EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION FOR SIMILAR 501(C)(3) ORGANIZATIONS.

THE PROCESS WAS MOST RECENTLY COMPLETED IN 2016.

COMPENSATION OF OTHER OFFICERS AND KEY EMPLOYEES IS DETERMINED BY THE PRESIDENT, WITH A COMBINATION OF INPUTS INCLUDING CONSULTATION FROM A PROFESSIONAL HUMAN RESOURCES FIRM ON REGIONAL AND INDUSTRY SALARY TRENDS; RESULTS OF PERFORMANCE REVIEWS; AND FINALLY WITH REFERENCE TO THE FINANCIAL CONDITION OF THE ORGANIZATION, THE DEMANDS OF ITS PROGRAMS, AND ANY CHANGES TO THE LEVEL OF RESPONSIBILITY IN THE PARTICULAR POSITION. THE PROCESS WAS MOST RECENTLY COMPLETED IN 2017.

FORM 990, PART VI, LINE 17, LIST OF STATES RECEIVING COPY OF FORM 990:  
AK,AL,AR,AZ,CA,CO,CT,FL,GA,IL,KS,LA,MA,MD,ME,MI,MN,MS,NC,ND,NH,NJ,NM,NY,OH  
OK,OR,PA,RI,SC,TN,UT,VA,WA,WI,WV

FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION C, LINE 19:  
THE ORGANIZATION MAKES ITS GOVERNING DOCUMENTS, CONFLICT OF INTEREST POLICY, AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC UPON REQUEST.

FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION B, LINE 14:  
THE ORGANIZATION IS PLANNING TO ADOPT DOCUMENT RETENTION AND DESTRUCTION POLICY IN THE FUTURE.

FORM 990, PART IX, LINE 11G, OTHER FEES:  
PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT:  
PROGRAM SERVICE EXPENSES 68,235.

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MANAGEMENT AND GENERAL EXPENSES	804.
FUNDRAISING EXPENSES	348.
TOTAL EXPENSES	69,387.

## CAMPAIGN CONSULTING:

PROGRAM SERVICE EXPENSES	272,347.
MANAGEMENT AND GENERAL EXPENSES	31,184.
FUNDRAISING EXPENSES	25,784.
TOTAL EXPENSES	329,315.

## TECHNICAL CONSULTING:

PROGRAM SERVICE EXPENSES	127,151.
MANAGEMENT AND GENERAL EXPENSES	14,559.
FUNDRAISING EXPENSES	12,038.
TOTAL EXPENSES	153,748.

## COMMUNICATIONS CONSULTANTS/PITCHING, STRATEGY:

PROGRAM SERVICE EXPENSES	237,358.
MANAGEMENT AND GENERAL EXPENSES	27,178.
FUNDRAISING EXPENSES	22,472.
TOTAL EXPENSES	287,008.

## DEVELOPMENT CONSULTANTS:

PROGRAM SERVICE EXPENSES	121,575.
MANAGEMENT AND GENERAL EXPENSES	13,920.
FUNDRAISING EXPENSES	11,510.
TOTAL EXPENSES	147,005.

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HR/PAYROLL/BENEFIT ADMIN:

PROGRAM SERVICE EXPENSES	109,795.
MANAGEMENT AND GENERAL EXPENSES	12,572.
FUNDRAISING EXPENSES	10,395.
TOTAL EXPENSES	132,762.

OTHER PROFESSIONAL SERVICES:

PROGRAM SERVICE EXPENSES	94,750.
MANAGEMENT AND GENERAL EXPENSES	17,858.
FUNDRAISING EXPENSES	15,082.
TOTAL EXPENSES	127,690.
TOTAL OTHER FEES ON FORM 990, PART IX, LINE 11G, COL A	1,246,915.

**Related Organizations and Unrelated Partnerships**

▶ Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 33, 34, 35b, 36, or 37.  
▶ Attach to Form 990.

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**Part I Identification of Disregarded Entities.** Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 33.

(a) Name, address, and EIN (if applicable) of disregarded entity	(b) Primary activity	(c) Legal domicile (state or foreign country)	(d) Total income	(e) End-of-year assets	(f) Direct controlling entity

**Part II Identification of Related Tax-Exempt Organizations.** Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 34 because it had one or more related tax-exempt organizations during the tax year.

(a) Name, address, and EIN of related organization	(b) Primary activity	(c) Legal domicile (state or foreign country)	(d) Exempt Code section	(e) Public charity status (if section 501(c)(3))	(f) Direct controlling entity	(g) Section 512(b)(13) controlled entity?	
						Yes	No
FRIENDS OF THE EARTH (ACTION), INC. - 13-2644641, 1101 15TH STREET NW, SUITE 1100, WASHINGTON, DC 20005	ENVIRONMENTAL ADVOCACY AND LOBBYING	NEW YORK	501(C)(4)	N/A	N/A		X

**Part III** Identification of Related Organizations Taxable as a Partnership. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 34 because it had one or more related organizations treated as a partnership during the tax year.

(a) Name, address, and EIN of related organization	(b) Primary activity	(c) Legal domicile (state or foreign country)	(d) Direct controlling entity	(e) Predominant income (related, unrelated, excluded from tax under sections 512-514)	(f) Share of total income	(g) Share of end-of-year assets	(h) Disproportionate allocations?		(i) Code V-UBI amount in box 20 of Schedule K-1 (Form 1065)	(j) General or managing partner?	(k) Percentage ownership
							Yes	No			

**Part IV** Identification of Related Organizations Taxable as a Corporation or Trust. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 34 because it had one or more related organizations treated as a corporation or trust during the tax year.

(a) Name, address, and EIN of related organization	(b) Primary activity	(c) Legal domicile (state or foreign country)	(d) Direct controlling entity	(e) Type of entity (C corp, S corp, or trust)	(f) Share of total income	(g) Share of end-of-year assets	(h) Percentage ownership	(i) Section 512(b)(13) controlled entity?	
								Yes	No

**Part V Transactions With Related Organizations.** Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 34, 35b, or 36.

**Note:** Complete line 1 if any entity is listed in Parts II, III, or IV of this schedule.

**1** During the tax year, did the organization engage in any of the following transactions with one or more related organizations listed in Parts II-IV?

	Yes	No
<b>a</b> Receipt of (i) interest, (ii) annuities, (iii) royalties, or (iv) rent from a controlled entity		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>b</b> Gift, grant, or capital contribution to related organization(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
<b>c</b> Gift, grant, or capital contribution from related organization(s)		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>d</b> Loans or loan guarantees to or for related organization(s)		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>e</b> Loans or loan guarantees by related organization(s)		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>f</b> Dividends from related organization(s)		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>g</b> Sale of assets to related organization(s)		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>h</b> Purchase of assets from related organization(s)		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>i</b> Exchange of assets with related organization(s)		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>j</b> Lease of facilities, equipment, or other assets to related organization(s)		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>k</b> Lease of facilities, equipment, or other assets from related organization(s)		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>l</b> Performance of services or membership or fundraising solicitations for related organization(s)		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>m</b> Performance of services or membership or fundraising solicitations by related organization(s)		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>n</b> Sharing of facilities, equipment, mailing lists, or other assets with related organization(s)		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>o</b> Sharing of paid employees with related organization(s)		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>p</b> Reimbursement paid to related organization(s) for expenses		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>q</b> Reimbursement paid by related organization(s) for expenses		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>r</b> Other transfer of cash or property to related organization(s)		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>s</b> Other transfer of cash or property from related organization(s)		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

**2** If the answer to any of the above is "Yes," see the instructions for information on who must complete this line, including covered relationships and transaction thresholds.

(a) Name of related organization	(b) Transaction type (a-s)	(c) Amount involved	(d) Method of determining amount involved
(1) FRIENDS OF THE EARTH ( ACTION ), INC.	B	250,000.COST	
(2) FRIENDS OF THE EARTH ( ACTION ), INC.	P	400,000.COST	
(3)			
(4)			
(5)			
(6)			

**Part VI Unrelated Organizations Taxable as a Partnership.** Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 37.

Provide the following information for each entity taxed as a partnership through which the organization conducted more than five percent of its activities (measured by total assets or gross revenue) that was not a related organization. See instructions regarding exclusion for certain investment partnerships.

(a) Name, address, and EIN of entity	(b) Primary activity	(c) Legal domicile (state or foreign country)	(d) Predominant income (related, unrelated, excluded from tax under sections 512-514)	(e) Are all partners sec. 501(c)(3) orgs.?		(f) Share of total income	(g) Share of end-of-year assets	(h) Disproportionate allocations?		(i) Code V-UBI amount in box 20 of Schedule K-1 (Form 1065)	(j) General or managing partner?		(k) Percentage ownership
				Yes	No			Yes	No		Yes	No	

**Part VII** Supplemental Information.

Provide additional information for responses to questions on Schedule R. See instructions.

Lined area for supplemental information.



# Application for Automatic Extension of Time To File an Exempt Organization Return

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

▶ **File a separate application for each return.**  
▶ **Information about Form 8868 and its instructions is at [www.irs.gov/form8868](http://www.irs.gov/form8868).**

**Electronic filing (e-file).** You can electronically file Form 8868 to request a 6-month automatic extension of time to file any of the forms listed below with the exception of Form 8870, Information Return for Transfers Associated With Certain Personal Benefit Contracts, for which an extension request must be sent to the IRS in paper format (see instructions). For more details on the electronic filing of this form, visit [www.irs.gov/efile](http://www.irs.gov/efile), click on Charities & Non-Profits, and click on e-file for Charities and Non-Profits.

**Automatic 6-Month Extension of Time.** Only submit original (no copies needed).

All corporations required to file an income tax return other than Form 990-T (including 1120-C filers), partnerships, REMICs, and trusts must use Form 7004 to request an extension of time to file income tax returns.

	Enter filer's identifying number	
<b>Type or print</b>	Name of exempt organization or other filer, see instructions.  <b>FRIENDS OF THE EARTH</b>	Employer identification number (EIN) or  <b>23-7420660</b>
File by the due date for filing your return. See instructions.	Number, street, and room or suite no. If a P.O. box, see instructions. <b>1101 15TH STREET, NW, NO. 1100</b>	Social security number (SSN)
	City, town or post office, state, and ZIP code. For a foreign address, see instructions. <b>WASHINGTON, DC 20005</b>	

Enter the Return Code for the return that this application is for (file a separate application for each return) 0 | 1

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

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• The books are in the care of ▶ **1101 15TH STREET, NW, 11TH FLOOR - WASHINGTON, DC 20005**  
Telephone No. ▶ **(202) 783-7400** Fax No. ▶ \_\_\_\_\_

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

**1** I request an automatic 6-month extension of time until **MAY 15, 2018**, to file the exempt organization return for the organization named above. The extension is for the organization's return for:

▶  calendar year \_\_\_\_\_ or  
▶  tax year beginning **JUL 1, 2016**, and ending **JUN 30, 2017**

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

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

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

