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Form 990

Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

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

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A For the 2018 calendar year, or tax year beginning _____ and ending _____

B Check if applicable:	C Name of organization COUNTRY MUSIC FOUNDATION, INC. Doing business as COUNTRY MUSIC HALL OF FAME AND M	D Employer identification number 62-0753887
<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	Number and street (or P.O. box if mail is not delivered to street address) 222 FIFTH AVE SOUTH	Room/suite
	City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code NASHVILLE, TN 37203	E Telephone number 615-416-2043
	F Name and address of principal officer: KYLE YOUNG 222 FIFTH AVE SOUTH, NASHVILLE, TN 37203	G Gross receipts \$ 44,048,082.
I 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	J Website: WWW.COUNTRYMUSICHALLOFFAME.ORG	H(b) Is this a group return for subordinates? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
K Form of organization: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Corporation <input type="checkbox"/> Trust <input type="checkbox"/> Association <input type="checkbox"/> Other	L Year of formation: 1964	H(b) Are all subordinates included? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If "No," attach a list. (see Instructions)
		H(c) Group exemption number ►

Part I Summary

Activities & Governance	1 Briefly describe the organization's mission or most significant activities: IDENTIFY & PRESERVE THE EVOLVING HISTORY & TRADITIONS OF COUNTRY MUSIC & TO EDUCATE ITS AUDIENCES.		
	2 Check this box ► <input type="checkbox"/> If the organization discontinued its operations or disposed of more than 25% of its net assets.		
	3 Number of voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1a)	3	11
	4 Number of independent voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1b)	4	11
	5 Total number of individuals employed in calendar year 2018 (Part V, line 2a)	5	492
	6 Total number of volunteers (estimate if necessary)	6	179
	7a Total unrelated business revenue from Part VIII, column (C), line 12	7a	9,545,831.
Revenue	b Net unrelated business taxable income from Form 990-T, line 38	7b	710,853.
	8 Contributions and grants (Part VIII, line 1b)	Prior Year	Current Year
	9 Program service revenue (Part VIII, line 2g)	3,084,167.	3,164,719.
	10 Investment income (Part VIII, column (A), lines 3, 4, and 7d)	21,700,796.	31,989,033.
	11 Other revenue (Part VIII, column (A), lines 6, 8d, 8a, 9c, 10c, and 11e)	159,967.	250,588.
Expenses	12 Total revenue - add lines 8 through 11 (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	12,185,057.	5,332,007.
	13 Grants and similar amounts paid (Part IX, column (A), lines 1-3)	37,129,987.	40,736,347.
	14 Benefits paid to or for members (Part IX, column (A), line 4)	0.	0.
	15 Salaries, other compensation, employee benefits (Part IX, column (A), lines 5-10)	13,765,090.	16,146,504.
	16a Professional fundraising fees (Part IX, column (A), line 11e)	0.	0.
Net Assets or Fund Balances	b Total fundraising expenses (Part IX, column (D), line 26) ► 1,373,758.	17,954,141.	19,581,041.
	17 Other expenses (Part IX, column (A), lines 11a-11d, 11f-24e)	31,719,231.	35,727,545.
	18 Total expenses. Add lines 13-17 (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 26)	5,410,756.	5,008,802.
	19 Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 18 from line 12	Beginning of Current Year	End of Year
	20 Total assets (Part X, line 16)	100,520,969.	105,260,475.
Fund Balances	21 Total liabilities (Part X, line 26)	22,370,876.	22,281,929.
	22 Net assets or fund balances. Subtract line 21 from line 20	78,150,093.	82,978,546.

Part II Signature Block

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

Sign Here	Signature of officer NINA BURGHARD, SR.VP OF FINANCIAL SVCS/OPER Type or print name and title	Date 11/7/19			
Paid Preparer	Print/Type preparer's name KEN YOUNGSTEAD	Preparer's signature KEN YOUNGSTEAD	Date 11/08/19	Check <input type="checkbox"/> self-employed	PTIN P00320901
Use Only	Firm's name ► KRAFTCPAS PLLC	Firm's EIN ► 62-0713250			
	Firm's address ► 555 GREAT CIRCLE ROAD NASHVILLE, TN 37228	Phone no. 615-242-7351			

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

Part III Statement of Program Service AccomplishmentsCheck if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part III

1 Briefly describe the organization's mission:
THE MISSION OF THE COUNTRY MUSIC FOUNDATION, INC. (CMF) IS TO IDENTIFY AND PRESERVE THE EVOLVING HISTORY AND TRADITIONS OF COUNTRY MUSIC AND TO EDUCATE ITS AUDIENCES.

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 \$ 31,626,542, Including grants of \$ _____) (Revenue \$ 27,620,401)
FOUNDED IN 1967, THE COUNTRY MUSIC HALL OF FAME AND MUSEUM IS A NOT-FOR-PROFIT EDUCATION INSTITUTION THAT COLLECTS, PRESERVES, AND INTERPRETS THE EVOLVING HISTORY AND TRADITIONS OF COUNTRY MUSIC AND ITS CULTURAL RELATIVES. FUNCTIONING AS A NATIONAL HISTORY MUSEUM AND AN INTERNATIONAL ARTS ORGANIZATION, THE MUSEUM TEACHES ITS DIVERSE AUDIENCES ABOUT THE ENDURING BEAUTY AND CULTURAL IMPORTANCE OF COUNTRY MUSIC THROUGH EXHIBITS, PUBLICATIONS, AND EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS.

THE COUNTRY MUSIC HALL OF FAME AND MUSEUM DELIVERED THE FOLLOWING RESULTS "BY THE NUMBERS" IN 2018.

" **1,207,901 PEOPLE VISITED THE MUSEUM.**

" **103,919 PEOPLE VISITED HISTORIC RCA STUDIO B.**

4b (Code: _____) (Expenses \$ _____, Including grants of \$ _____) (Revenue \$ _____)

4c (Code: _____) (Expenses \$ _____, Including grants of \$ _____) (Revenue \$ _____)

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

(Expenses \$ _____, Including grants of \$ _____) (Revenue \$ _____)

4e Total program service expenses ► 31,626,542,

Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules

	Yes	No
1 Is the organization described in section 501(c)(3) or 4947(a)(1) (other than a private foundation)? If "Yes," complete Schedule A	1 X	
2 Is the organization required to complete Schedule B, Schedule of Contributors?	2 X	
3 Did the organization engage in direct or indirect political campaign activities on behalf of or in opposition to candidates for public office? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part I	3 X	
4 Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Did the organization engage in lobbying activities, or have a section 501(h) election in effect during the tax year? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part II	4 X	
5 Is the organization a section 501(c)(4), 501(c)(5), or 501(c)(6) organization that receives membership dues, assessments, or similar amounts as defined in Revenue Procedure 98-19? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part III	5 X	
6 Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds or any similar funds or accounts for which donors have the right to provide advice on the distribution or investment of amounts in such funds or accounts? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part I	6 X	
7 Did the organization receive or hold a conservation easement, including easements to preserve open space, the environment, historic land areas, or historic structures? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part II	7 X	
8 Did the organization maintain collections of works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part III	8 X	
9 Did the organization report an amount in Part X, line 21, for escrow or custodial account liability, serve as a custodian for amounts not listed in Part X; or provide credit counseling, debt management, credit repair, or debt negotiation services? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part IV	9 X	
10 Did the organization, directly or through a related organization, hold assets in temporarily restricted endowments, permanent endowments, or quasi-endowments? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part V	10 X	
11 If the organization's answer to any of the following questions is "Yes," then complete Schedule D, Parts VI, VII, VIII, IX, or X as applicable.		
a Did the organization report an amount for land, buildings, and equipment in Part X, line 10? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VI	11a X	
b Did the organization report an amount for investments - other securities in Part X, line 12 that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VII	11b X	
c Did the organization report an amount for investments - program related in Part X, line 13 that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VIII	11c X	
d Did the organization report an amount for other assets in Part X, line 15 that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part IX	11d X	
e Did the organization report an amount for other liabilities in Part X, line 25? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X	11e X	
f Did the organization's separate or consolidated financial statements for the tax year include a footnote that addresses the organization's liability for uncertain tax positions under FIN 48 (ASC 740)? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X	11f X	
12a Did the organization obtain separate, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Parts XI and XII	12a X	
b Was the organization included in consolidated, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? If "Yes," and if the organization answered "No" to line 12a, then completing Schedule D, Parts XI and XII is optional	12b X	
13 Is the organization a school described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? If "Yes," complete Schedule E	13 X	
14a Did the organization maintain an office, employees, or agents outside of the United States?	14a X	
b Did the organization have aggregate revenues or expenses of more than \$10,000 from grantmaking, fundraising, business, investment, and program service activities outside the United States, or aggregate foreign investments valued at \$100,000 or more? If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts I and IV	14b X	
15 Did the organization report on Part IX, column (A), line 8, more than \$6,000 of grants or other assistance to or for any foreign organization? If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts II and IV	15 X	
16 Did the organization report on Part IX, column (A), line 8, more than \$6,000 of aggregate grants or other assistance to or for foreign individuals? If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts III and IV	16 X	
17 Did the organization report a total of more than \$16,000 of expenses for professional fundraising services on Part IX, column (A), lines 6 and 11a? If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part I	17 X	
18 Did the organization report more than \$16,000 total of fundraising event gross income and contributions on Part VIII, lines 1c and 8a? If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part II	18 X	
19 Did the organization report more than \$16,000 of gross income from gaming activities on Part VIII, line 9a? If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part III	19 X	
20a Did the organization operate one or more hospital facilities? If "Yes," complete Schedule H	20a X	
b If "Yes" to line 20a, did the organization attach a copy of its audited financial statements to this return?	20b X	
21 Did the organization report more than \$6,000 of grants or other assistance to any domestic organization or domestic government on Part IX, column (A), line 1? If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and II	21 X	

Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules (continued)

		Yes	No
22	Did the organization report more than \$5,000 of grants or other assistance to or for domestic individuals on Part IX, column (A), line 2? If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and III	22	X
23	Did the organization answer "Yes" to Part VII, Section A, line 3, 4, or 6 about compensation of the organization's current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, and highest compensated employees? If "Yes," complete Schedule J	23	X
24a	Did the organization have a tax-exempt bond issue with an outstanding principal amount of more than \$100,000 as of the last day of the year, that was issued after December 31, 2002? If "Yes," answer lines 24b through 24d and complete Schedule K. If "No," go to line 25a	24a	X
b	Did the organization invest any proceeds of tax-exempt bonds beyond a temporary period exception?	24b	X
c	Did the organization maintain an escrow account other than a refunding escrow at any time during the year to defease any tax-exempt bonds?	24c	X
d	Did the organization act as an "on behalf of" issuer for bonds outstanding at any time during the year?	24d	X
25a	Section 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations. Did the organization engage in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person during the year? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I	25a	X
b	Is the organization aware that it engaged in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person in a prior year, and that the transaction has not been reported on any of the organization's prior Forms 990 or 990-EZ? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I	25b	X
26	Did the organization report any amount on Part X, line 6, 8, or 22 for receivables from or payables to any current or former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, highest compensated employees, or disqualified persons? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part II	26	X
27	Did the organization provide a grant or other assistance to an officer, director, trustee, key employee, substantial contributor or employee thereof, a grant selection committee member, or to a 35% controlled entity or family member of any of these persons? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part III	27	X
28	Was the organization a party to a business transaction with one of the following parties (see Schedule L, Part IV instructions for applicable filing thresholds, conditions, and exceptions):		
a	A current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV	28a	X
b	A family member of a current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV	28b	X
c	An entity of which a current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee (or a family member thereof) was an officer, director, trustee, or direct or indirect owner? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV	28c	X
29	Did the organization receive more than \$25,000 in non-cash contributions? If "Yes," complete Schedule M	29	X
30	Did the organization receive contributions of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets, or qualified conservation contributions? If "Yes," complete Schedule M	30	X
31	Did the organization liquidate, terminate, or dissolve and cease operations? If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part I	31	X
32	Did the organization sell, exchange, dispose of, or transfer more than 25% of its net assets? If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part II	32	X
33	Did the organization own 100% of an entity disregarded as separate from the organization under Regulations sections 301.7701-2 and 301.7701-3? If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part I	33	X
34	Was the organization related to any tax-exempt or taxable entity? If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part II, III, or IV, and Part V, line 1	34	X
35a	Did the organization have a controlled entity within the meaning of section 612(b)(13)?	35a	X
b	If "Yes" to line 35a, did the organization receive any payment from or engage in any transaction with a controlled entity within the meaning of section 612(b)(13)? If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2	35b	
36	Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization? If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2	36	X
37	Did the organization conduct more than 5% of its activities through an entity that is not a related organization and that is treated as a partnership for federal income tax purposes? If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part VI	37	X
38	Did the organization complete Schedule O and provide explanations in Schedule O for Part VI, lines 11b and 19?	38	X

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

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

		Yes	No
1a	Enter the number reported in Box 3 of Form 1096. Enter 0 if not applicable	1a	338
b	Enter the number of Forms W-2G included in line 1a. Enter 0 if not applicable	1b	0
c	Did the organization comply with backup withholding rules for reportable payments to vendors and reportable gaming (gambling) winnings to prize winners?	1c	X

Part V Statements Regarding Other IRS Filings and Tax Compliance (continued)

		Yes	No
2a Enter the number of employees reported on Form W-3, Transmittal of Wage and Tax Statements, filed for the calendar year ending with or within the year covered by this return	2a	492	
b If at least one is reported on line 2a, did the organization file all required federal employment tax returns? Note. If the sum of lines 1a and 2a is greater than 250, you may be required to file (see Instructions)	2b	X	
3a Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year?	3a	X	
b If "Yes," has it filed a Form 980-T for this year? If "No" to line 3b, provide an explanation in Schedule O	3b	X	
4a At any time during the calendar year, did the organization have an interest in, or a signature or other authority over, a financial account in a foreign country (such as a bank account, securities account, or other financial account)?	4a	X	
b If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country: ► See Instructions for filing requirements for FinCEN Form 114, Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts (FBAR).			
5a Was the organization a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction at any time during the tax year?	5a	X	
b Did any taxable party notify the organization that it was or is a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction?	5b	X	
c If "Yes" to line 5a or 5b, did the organization file Form 8886-T?	5c		
6a Does the organization have annual gross receipts that are normally greater than \$100,000, and did the organization solicit any contributions that were not tax deductible as charitable contributions?	6a	X	
b If "Yes," did the organization include with every solicitation an express statement that such contributions or gifts were not tax deductible?	6b		
7 Organizations that may receive deductible contributions under section 170(c).			
a Did the organization receive a payment in excess of \$75 made partly as a contribution and partly for goods and services provided to the payor?	7a	X	
b If "Yes," did the organization notify the donor of the value of the goods or services provided?	7b	X	
c Did the organization sell, exchange, or otherwise dispose of tangible personal property for which it was required to file Form 8282?	7c	X	
d If "Yes," indicate the number of Forms 8282 filed during the year	7d		
e Did the organization receive any funds, directly or indirectly, to pay premiums on a personal benefit contract?	7e		
f Did the organization, during the year, pay premiums, directly or indirectly, on a personal benefit contract?	7f		
g If the organization received a contribution of qualified intellectual property, did the organization file Form 8889 as required?	7g		
h If the organization received a contribution of cars, boats, airplanes, or other vehicles, did the organization file a Form 1098-C?	7h		
8 Sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds. Did a donor advised fund maintained by the sponsoring organization have excess business holdings at any time during the year?	8		
9 Sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds.			
a Did the sponsoring organization make any taxable distributions under section 4968?	9a		
b Did the sponsoring organization make a distribution to a donor, donor advisor, or related person?	9b		
10 Section 501(c)(7) organizations. Enter:			
a Initiation fees and capital contributions included on Part VIII, line 12	10a		
b Gross receipts, included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, for public use of club facilities	10b		
11 Section 501(c)(12) organizations. Enter:			
a Gross income from members or shareholders	11a		
b Gross income from other sources (Do not net amounts due or paid to other sources against amounts due or received from them.)	11b		
12a Section 4947(a)(1) non-exempt charitable trusts. Is the organization filing Form 990 in lieu of Form 1041?	12a		
b If "Yes," enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the year	12b		
13 Section 501(c)(29) qualified nonprofit health insurance issuers.			
a Is the organization licensed to issue qualified health plans in more than one state?			
Note. See the instructions for additional information the organization must report on Schedule O.			
b Enter the amount of reserves the organization is required to maintain by the states in which the organization is licensed to issue qualified health plans	13b		
c Enter the amount of reserves on hand	13c		
14a Did the organization receive any payments for indoor tanning services during the tax year?	14a	X	
b If "Yes," has it filed a Form 720 to report these payments? If "No," provide an explanation in Schedule O	14b		
15 Is the organization subject to the section 4960 tax on payment(s) of more than \$1,000,000 in remuneration or excess parachute payment(s) during the year?	15	X	
If "Yes," see Instructions and file Form 4720, Schedule N.			
16 Is the organization an educational institution subject to the section 4968 excise tax on net investment income?	16	X	
If "Yes," complete Form 4720, Schedule O.			

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

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

Section A. Governing Body and Management

		1a	11	Yes	No
1a	Enter the number of voting members of the governing body at the end of the tax year	1a	11		
	If there are material differences in voting rights among members of the governing body, or if the governing body delegated broad authority to an executive committee or similar committee, explain in Schedule O.				
b	Enter the number of voting members included in line 1a, above, who are independent	1b	11		
2	Did any officer, director, trustee, or key employee have a family relationship or a business relationship with any other officer, director, trustee, or key employee?	2	X		
3	Did the organization delegate control over management duties customarily performed by or under the direct supervision of officers, directors, or trustees, or key employees to a management company or other person?	3		X	
4	Did the organization make any significant changes to its governing documents since the prior Form 990 was filed?	4		X	
5	Did the organization become aware during the year of a significant diversion of the organization's assets?	5		X	
6	Did the organization have members or stockholders?	6		X	
7a	Did the organization have members, stockholders, or other persons who had the power to elect or appoint one or more members of the governing body?	7a		X	
b	Are any governance decisions of the organization reserved to (or subject to approval by) members, stockholders, or persons other than the governing body?	7b		X	
B	Did the organization contemporaneously document the meetings held or written actions undertaken during the year by the following:				
a	The governing body?	8a		X	
b	Each committee with authority to act on behalf of the governing body?	8b		X	
9	Is there any officer, director, trustee, or key employee listed in Part VII, Section A, who cannot be reached at the organization's mailing address? If "Yes," provide the names and addresses in Schedule O	9		X	

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

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

Section C. Disclosure

17	List the states with which a copy of this Form 990 is required to be filed ► TN
18	Section 6104 requires an organization to make its Forms 1023 (1024 or 1024-A 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.
	<input type="checkbox"/> Own website <input type="checkbox"/> Another's website <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Upon request <input type="checkbox"/> 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 ► NINA BURGHARD - 615-416-2043
	222 FIFTH AVE SOUTH, NASHVILLE, TN 37203

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	Institutional trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee			
(1) MARK BLOOM TRUSTEE	1.00	X					0.	0.	0.
(2) DAVID CONRAD TRUSTEE	1.00	X					0.	0.	0.
(3) J. WILLIAMS DENNY TRUSTEE	0.50	X					0.	0.	0.
(4) ROD ESSIG TRUSTEE	1.00	X					0.	0.	0.
(5) DAVID ROSS TRUSTEE	2.00	X					0.	0.	0.
(6) KEN LEVITAN TRUSTEE	1.00	X					0.	0.	0.
(7) MARY ANN MCCREADY TRUSTEE	1.00	X					0.	0.	0.
(8) JODY WILLIAMS TRUSTEE	1.00	X					0.	0.	0.
(9) STEVE TURNER CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD	8.00	X	X				0.	0.	0.
(10) KEBEL HUNT SECRETARY OF BOARD	2.00	X	X				0.	0.	0.
(11) ERNEST WILLIAMS, III TREASURER OF BOARD	2.00	X	X				0.	0.	0.
(12) KYLE YOUNG CEO	55.00		X				536,027.	0.	11,953.
(13) NINA BURGHARD SR. VP FINANCIAL SERVICES	55.00		X				208,487.	0.	10,016.
(14) SHARON BRAUNER SR. VP SALES AND MARKETING	55.00			X			200,101.	0.	9,946.
(15) MARK DE LEBLIS DIRECTOR OF MERCHANDISING	55.00				X		126,641.	0.	7,753.
(16) HERNANDO RODRIGUEZ SR. DIRECTOR OF EVENTS AND CULINARY	40.00					X	141,830.	0.	5,789.
(17) LISA DAVIS VP OF DEVELOPMENT, EDU & COMMUNITY	40.00					X	118,399.	0.	7,463.

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
		Former officer or director	Independent contractor	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee			
1b Sub-total							1,331,485.	0.	52,920.
o Total from continuation sheets to Part VII, Section A							0.	0.	0.
d Total (add lines 1b and 1c)							1,331,485.	0.	52,920.

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 ► 6

	Yes	No
3 Did the organization list any former officer, director, or trustee, key employee, or highest compensated employee on line 1a? // "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual	3	X
4 For any individual listed on line 1a, is the sum of reportable compensation and other compensation from the organization and related organizations greater than \$150,000? // "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual	4	X
5 Did any person listed on line 1a receive or accrue compensation from any unrelated organization or individual for services rendered to the organization? // "Yes," complete Schedule J for such person	6	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
ALLIED UNIVERSAL SECURITY SERVICE PO BOX 828854, PHILADELPHIA, PA 19182	SECURITY SERVICES	602,361.
FRANTZ BUILDING SERVICES, INC. PO BOX 2001, OWENSBORO, KY 42302	BUILDING CLEANERS	539,633.
VIP PRODUCTION, LLC 717 BRISKERRY CT, NASHVILLE, TN 37221	AV/PRODUCTION EQUIPMENT RENTAL	462,778.
TWELVE-TWENTY EXHIBITS, INC 3801 VULCAN DRIVE, NASHVILLE, TN 37211	EXHIBIT DESIGNERS AND FABRICATORS	453,348.
MUSIC CITY CENTER 201 5TH AVENUE SOUTH, NASHVILLE, TN 37203	PARKING	391,433.

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 ► 26

Part VIII Statement of RevenueCheck if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part VIII

		(A) Total revenue	(B) Related or exempt function revenue	(C) Unrelated business revenue	(D) Revenue excluded from tax under sections 512-514
Contributions, Gifts, Grants and Other Similar Amounts	1 a Federated campaigns	1a			
	b Membership dues	1b			
	c Fundraising events	1c			
	d Related organizations	1d			
	e Government grants (contributions)	1e	363,342.		
	f All other contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts not included above	1f	2,801,377.		
	g Noncash contributions included in lines 1a-1f: 8		55,040.		
	h Total, Add lines 1a-1f ►		3,164,719.		
Program Service Revenue	2 a ADMISSION FEES	Business Code 900099	18,444,641.	18,444,641.	
	b RESTAURANT AND CATERING REVENUE	722100	8,087,856.	809,497.	7,278,359.
	c EVENT REVENUE	900099	5,456,536.	3,451,116.	2,005,420.
	d				
	e				
	f All other program service revenue				
	g Total, Add lines 2a-2f ►		31,989,033.		
Other Revenue	3 Investment income (including dividends, interest, and other similar amounts)		260,816.		260,816.
	4 Income from investment of tax-exempt bond proceeds				
	5 Royalties		72,638.		72,638.
	6 a Gross rents	(I) Real	(II) Personal		
	b Less: rental expenses				
	c Rental income or (loss)				
	d Net rental income or (loss)				
	7 a Gross amount from sales of assets other than inventory	(I) Securities	(II) Other		
	b Less: cost or other basis and sales expenses	132,136.			
	c Gain or (loss)	142,364.			
	d Net gain or (loss)	-10,228.			
				-10,228.	-10,228.
	8 a Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ _____ of contributions reported on line 1c). See Part IV, line 18	a 272,340.			
	b Less: direct expenses	b 200,398.			
	c Net income or (loss) from fundraising events		71,942.		71,942.
	9 a Gross income from gaming activities. See Part IV, line 19	a			
	b Less: direct expenses	b			
	c Net income or (loss) from gaming activities				
	10 a Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances	a 6,896,852.			
	b Less: cost of goods sold	b 2,968,973.			
	c Net income or (loss) from sales of inventory		3,927,879.	3,665,827.	262,052.
	Miscellaneous Revenue	Business Code			
	11 a OTHER REVENUE	900099	1,259,548.	1,259,548.	
	b				
	c				
	d All other revenue				
	e Total, Add lines 11a-11d ►		1,259,548.		
	12 Total revenue. See Instructions		40,736,347.	27,620,401.	9,545,831.
					405,396.

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

<i>Do not include amounts reported on lines 6b, 7b, 8b, 9b, and 10b of Part VIII.</i>	(A) Total expenses	(B) Program service expenses	(C) Management and general expenses	(D) Fundraising expenses
1 Grants and other assistance to domestic organizations and domestic governments. See Part IV, line 21				
2 Grants and other assistance to domestic individuals. See Part IV, line 22				
3 Grants and other assistance to foreign organizations, foreign governments, and foreign individuals. See Part IV, lines 15 and 16				
4 Benefits paid to or for members				
5 Compensation of current officers, directors, trustees, and key employees	976,531.	447,483.	244,133.	284,915.
6 Compensation not included above, to disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)) and persons described in section 4958(e)(3)(B)				
7 Other salaries and wages	13,106,013.	11,669,496.	1,085,466.	351,051.
8 Pension plan accruals and contributions (include section 401(k) and 403(b) employer contributions)	137,685.	116,128.	15,878.	5,679.
9 Other employee benefits	924,077.	744,801.	121,600.	57,676.
10 Payroll taxes	1,002,198.	804,917.	133,290.	63,991.
11 Fees for services (non-employees):				
a Management	130,995.	116,703.	10,480.	3,812.
b Legal	40,006.	35,641.	3,200.	1,165.
c Accounting				
d Lobbying				
e Professional fundraising services. See Part IV, line 17				
f Investment management fees	22,973.		22,973.	
g Other. (If line 11g amount exceeds 10% of line 26, column (A) amount, list line 11g expenses on Sch O.)	419,030.	373,311.	33,516.	12,203.
12 Advertising and promotion	2,429,529.	2,164,452.	194,326.	70,751.
13 Office expenses	1,161,969.	1,108,536.	39,181.	14,252.
14 Information technology	272,503.	242,773.	21,800.	7,930.
15 Royalties				
16 Occupancy	2,235,061.	1,970,047.	194,280.	70,734.
17 Travel	86,365.	69,365.	11,484.	5,516.
18 Payments of travel or entertainment expenses for any federal, state, or local public officials				
19 Conferences, conventions, and meetings	16,547.	14,742.	1,324.	481.
20 Interest	386,444.	344,280.	30,910.	11,254.
21 Payments to affiliates				
22 Depreciation, depletion, and amortization	4,753,839.	4,235,166.	380,236.	138,437.
23 Insurance				
24 Other expenses. Itemize expenses not covered above. (List miscellaneous expenses in line 24e. If line 24e amount exceeds 10% of line 26, column (A) amount, list line 24e expenses on Schedule O.)				
a UBT TAX PAID	326,088.	326,088.	0.	
b COST OF RESTAURANT / CA	2,014,006.	2,014,006.		
c EVENT SUBCONTRACTORS	1,705,615.	1,705,615.		
d MUSEUM SERVICES	763,706.	763,706.		
e All other expenses	2,816,365.	2,359,286.	183,168.	273,911.
25 Total functional expenses. Add lines 1 through 24e	35,727,545.	31,626,542.	2,727,245.	1,373,758.
26 Joint costs. Complete this line only if the organization reported in column (B) joint costs from a combined educational campaign and fundraising solicitation. Check here ► <input type="checkbox"/> If following SOP 98-2 (ASC 958-720)				

Part X Balance Sheet

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

		(A) Beginning of year		(B) End of year
Assets	1 Cash - non-interest-bearing	14,817,241.	1	10,350,399.
	2 Savings and temporary cash investments	205,573.	2	949,197.
	3 Pledges and grants receivable, net	3,229,528.	3	2,740,759.
	4 Accounts receivable, net	790,974.	4	1,331,769.
	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 disqualifying 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 Inst). Complete Part II of Sch L		6	
	7 Notes and loans receivable, net		7	
	8 Inventories for sale or use	1,561,975.	8	1,959,513.
	9 Prepaid expenses and deferred charges	322,971.	9	189,545.
	10a Land, buildings, and equipment: cost or other basis. Complete Part VI of Schedule D	10a 111,780,327.		
	b Less: accumulated depreciation	10b 39,687,170.	10b	72,093,157.
	11 Investments - publicly traded securities	4,740,539.	11	15,646,136.
	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	114,013.	15	0.
	16 Total assets. Add lines 1 through 15 (must equal line 34)	100,520,969.	16	105,260,475.
Liabilities	17 Accounts payable and accrued expenses	1,901,940.	17	2,552,136.
	18 Grants payable		18	
	19 Deferred revenue	1,281,506.	19	1,345,891.
	20 Tax-exempt bond liabilities	1,600,000.	20	1,000,000.
	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 disqualifying persons. Complete Part II of Schedule L		22	
	23 Secured mortgages and notes payable to unrelated third parties	850,000.	23	594,289.
	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			
	26 Total liabilities. Add lines 17 through 25	16,737,430.	25	16,789,613.
		22,370,876.	26	22,281,929.
	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	71,421,328.	27	77,209,301.
	28 Temporarily restricted net assets	4,463,265.	28	0.
	29 Permanently restricted net assets	2,265,500.	29	5,769,245.
Net Assets or Fund Balances	Organizations that do not follow SFAS 117 (ASC 958), check here ► <input type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 30 through 34.			
	30 Capital stock or trust principal, or current funds		30	
	31 Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, building, or equipment fund		31	
	32 Retained earnings, endowment, accumulated income, or other funds		32	
	33 Total net assets or fund balances	78,150,093.	33	82,978,546.
	34 Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances	100,520,969.	34	105,260,475.

Part XI Reconciliation of Net AssetsCheck 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	40,736,347.
2 Total expenses (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 26)	2	35,727,545.
3 Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 2 from line 1	3	5,008,802.
4 Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (must equal Part X, line 33, column (A))	4	78,150,093.
5 Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	5	-180,349.
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	82,978,546.

Part XII Financial Statements and ReportingCheck 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		X
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	2b	X	
2b Were the organization's financial statements audited by an independent accountant? _____			
If "Yes," check a box below to indicate whether the financial statements for the year were audited on a separate basis, consolidated basis, or both:			
<input type="checkbox"/> Separate basis <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Consolidated basis <input type="checkbox"/> Both consolidated and separate basis	2c	X	
2c If "Yes" to line 2a or 2b, does the organization have a committee that assumes responsibility for oversight of the audit, review, or compilation of its financial statements and selection of an independent accountant? _____			
If the organization changed either its oversight process or selection process during the tax year, explain in Schedule O.	3a		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? _____			
b If "Yes," did the organization undergo the required audit or audits? If the organization did not undergo the required audit or audits, explain why in Schedule O and describe any steps taken to undergo such audits _____	3b		

SCHEDULE A
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Public Charity Status and Public Support

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

► Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ.
► Go to www.irs.gov/Form990 for instructions and the latest information.

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Name of the organization

COUNTRY MUSIC FOUNDATION, INC.

Employer identification number

62-0753887

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 alieneness 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 organization's document?		(V) Amount of monetary support (see instructions)	(VI) Amount of other support (see instructions)
			Yes	No		
Total						

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Part II Support Schedule for Organizations Described in Sections 170(b)(1)(A)(v) 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) 2014	(b) 2015	(c) 2016	(d) 2017	(e) 2018	(f) Total
1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received. (Do not include any "unusual grants.")	10,400,872.	2,410,744.	3,061,103.	3,148,337.	3,164,719.	22,185,775.
2 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf						
3 The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge						
4 Total. Add lines 1 through 3	10,400,872.	2,410,744.	3,061,103.	3,148,337.	3,164,719.	22,185,775.
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)						32,811.
6 Public support. Subtract line 5 from line 4.						22,152,964.

Section B. Total Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ►	(a) 2014	(b) 2015	(c) 2016	(d) 2017	(e) 2018	(f) Total
7 Amounts from line 4	10,400,872.	2,410,744.	3,061,103.	3,148,337.	3,164,719.	22,185,775.
8 Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties, and income from similar sources	177,328.	170,639.	235,061.	216,843.	323,226.	1,123,097.
9 Net income from unrelated business activities, whether or not the business is regularly carried on	145,065.	87,097.	91,617.	438,469.	291,899.	1,054,167.
10 Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part VI)			996,422.			996,422.
11 Total support. Add lines 7 through 10						25,389,441.
12 Gross receipts from related activities, etc. (see instructions)				12	55,808,602.	
13 First five years. If the Form 990 is for the organization's first, second, third, fourth, or fifth tax year as a section 501(c)(3) organization, check this box and stop here ► <input type="checkbox"/>						

Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage

14 Public support percentage for 2018 (line 6, column (f) divided by line 11, column (f))	14	87.36	%
15 Public support percentage from 2017 Schedule A, Part II, line 14	15	85.81	%
16a 33 1/3% support test - 2018. If the organization did not check the box on line 13, and line 14 is 33 1/3% or more, check this box and stop here. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization			► <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
b 33 1/3% support test - 2017. If the organization did not check a box on line 13 or 16a, and line 15 is 33 1/3% or more, check this box and stop here. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization			► <input type="checkbox"/>
17a 10% -facts-and-circumstances test - 2018. If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, or 16b, and line 14 is 10% or more, and if the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test, check this box and stop here. Explain in Part VI how the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization			► <input type="checkbox"/>
b 10% -facts-and-circumstances test - 2017. If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, 16b, or 17a, and line 16 is 10% or more, and if the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test, check this box and stop here. Explain in Part VI how the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization			► <input type="checkbox"/>
18 Private foundation. If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, 16b, 17a, or 17b, check this box and see instructions			► <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) 2014	(b) 2015	(c) 2016	(d) 2017	(e) 2018	(f) Total
1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received. (Do not include any "unusual grants.")						
2 Gross receipts from admissions, merchandise sold or services performed, or facilities furnished in any activity that is related to the organization's tax-exempt purpose						
3 Gross receipts from activities that are not an unrelated trade or business under section 513						
4 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf						
5 The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge						
6 Total. Add lines 1 through 5						
7a Amounts included on lines 1, 2, and 3 received from disqualified persons						
b Amounts included on lines 2 and 3 received from other than disqualified persons that exceed the greater of \$5,000 or 1% of the amount on line 13 for the year						
c Add lines 7a and 7b						
8 Public support. (Subtract 7b from 6.)						

Section B. Total Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ►	(a) 2014	(b) 2015	(c) 2016	(d) 2017	(e) 2018	(f) Total
9 Amounts from line 6						
10a Gross Income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties, and income from similar sources						
b Unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 taxes) from businesses acquired after June 30, 1976						
c Add lines 10a and 10b						
11 Net income from unrelated business activities not included in line 10b, whether or not the business is regularly carried on						
12 Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part VI.)						
13 Total support. (Add lines 9, 10a, 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 ► <input type="checkbox"/>						

Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage

15 Public support percentage for 2018 (line 8, column (f), divided by line 13, column (f))	15	%
16 Public support percentage from 2017 Schedule A, Part III, line 16	16	%

Section D. Computation of Investment Income Percentage

17 Investment income percentage for 2018 (line 10c, column (f), divided by line 13, column (f))	17	%
18 Investment income percentage from 2017 Schedule A, Part III, line 17	18	%
19a 33 1/3% support tests - 2018. 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 ► <input type="checkbox"/>		
b 33 1/3% support tests - 2017. 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 ► <input type="checkbox"/>		
20 Private foundation. If the organization did not check a box on line 14, 19a, or 19b, check this box and see instructions ► <input type="checkbox"/>		

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

- 1 Are all of the organization's supported organizations listed by name in the organization's governing documents? // "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.

Yes	No
1	
2	
3a	
3b	
3c	
4a	
4b	
4c	
5a	
5b	
5c	
6	
7	
8	
9a	
9b	
9c	
10a	
10b	
- 2 Did the organization have any supported organization that does not have an IRS determination of status under section 509(a)(1) or (2)? // "Yes," explain in Part VI how the organization determined that the supported organization was described in section 509(a)(1) or (2).
- 3a Did the organization have a supported organization described in section 501(c)(4), (5), or (6)? // "Yes," answer (b) and (c) below.
- b Did the organization confirm that each supported organization qualified under section 501(c)(4), (5), or (6) and satisfied the public support tests under section 509(a)(2)? // "Yes," describe in Part VI when and how the organization made the determination.
- c Did the organization ensure that all support to such organizations was used exclusively for section 170(e)(2)(B) purposes? // "Yes," explain in Part VI what controls the organization put in place to ensure such use.
- 4a Was any supported organization not organized in the United States ("foreign supported organization")? // "Yes," and if you checked 12a or 12b in Part I, answer (b) and (c) below.
- b Did the organization have ultimate control and discretion in deciding whether to make grants to the foreign supported organization? // "Yes," describe in Part VI how the organization had such control and discretion despite being controlled or supervised by or in connection with its supported organizations.
- c Did the organization support any foreign supported organization that does not have an IRS determination under sections 501(c)(3) and 509(a)(1) or (2)? // "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(e)(2)(B) purposes.
- 5a Did the organization add, substitute, or remove any supported organizations during the tax year? // "Yes," answer (b) and (c) below (if applicable). Also, provide detail in Part VI, including (i) the names and EIN numbers of the supported organizations added, substituted, or removed; (ii) the reasons for each such action; (iii) the authority under the organization's organizing document authorizing such action; and (iv) how the action was accomplished (such as by amendment to the organizing document).
- b Type I or Type II only. Was any added or substituted supported organization part of a class already designated in the organization's organizing document?
- c Substitutions only. Was the substitution the result of an event beyond the organization's control?
- 6 Did the organization provide support (whether in the form of grants or the provision of services or facilities) to anyone other than (i) its supported organizations, (ii) individuals that are part of the charitable class benefitted 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? // "Yes," provide detail in Part VI.
- 7 Did the organization provide a grant, loan, compensation, or other similar payment to a substantial contributor (as defined in section 4958(c)(3)(C)), a family member of a substantial contributor, or a 95% controlled entity with regard to a substantial contributor? // "Yes," complete Part I of Schedule L (Form 990 or 990-EZ).
- 8 Did the organization make a loan to a disqualifying person (as defined in section 4958) not described in line 7? // "Yes," complete Part I of Schedule L (Form 990 or 990-EZ).
- 9a Was the organization controlled directly or indirectly at any time during the tax year by one or more disqualifying persons as defined in section 4946 (other than foundation managers and organizations described in section 509(a)(1) or (2))? // "Yes," provide detail in Part VI.
- b Did one or more disqualifying persons (as defined in line 9a) hold a controlling interest in any entity in which the supporting organization had an interest? // "Yes," provide detail in Part VI.
- c Did a disqualifying 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? // "Yes," provide detail in Part VI.
- 10a Was the organization subject to the excess business holdings rules of section 4943 because of section 4943(f) (regarding certain Type II supporting organizations, and all Type III non-functionally integrated supporting organizations)? // "Yes," answer 10b below.
- b Did the organization have any excess business holdings in the tax year? (Use Schedule C, Form 4720, to determine whether the organization had excess business holdings.)

Part IV Supporting Organizations (continued)

- 11 Has the organization accepted a gift or contribution from any of the following persons?
- 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?
 - A family member of a person described in (a) above?
 - 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.

	Yes	No
11a		
11b		
11c		

Section B. Type I Supporting Organizations

- 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.

	Yes	No
1		
2		

Section C. Type II Supporting Organizations

- 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).

	Yes	No
1		

Section D. All Type III Supporting Organizations

- 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.

	Yes	No
1		
2		
3		

Section E. Type III Functionally Integrated Supporting Organizations

- 1 Check the box next to the method that the organization used to satisfy the Integral Part Test during the year (see instructions).
- The organization satisfied the Activities Test. Complete line 2 below.
 - The organization is the parent of each of its supported organizations. Complete line 3 below.
 - The organization supported a governmental entity. Describe in Part VI how you supported a government entity (see instructions).

	Yes	No
2a		
2b		
3a		
3b		

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

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 Adjusted Net Income (subtract lines 5, 6, and 7 from line 4)	8		

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

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

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

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

Section D - Distributions		Current Year
1	Amounts paid to supported organizations to accomplish exempt purposes	
2	Amounts paid to perform activity that directly furthers exempt purposes of supported organizations, in excess of income from activity	
3	Administrative expenses paid to accomplish exempt purposes of supported organizations	
4	Amounts paid to acquire exempt-use assets	
5	Qualified set-asides amounts (prior IRS approval required)	
6	Other distributions (describe in Part VI). See Instructions.	
7	Total annual distributions. Add lines 1 through 6.	
8	Distributions to attentive supported organizations to which the organization is responsive (provide details in Part VI). See Instructions.	
9	Distributable amount for 2018 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-2018	(III) Distributable Amount for 2018
1 Distributable amount for 2018 from Section C, line 6			
2 Underdistributions, if any, for years prior to 2018 (reasonable cause required; explain in Part VI). See Instructions.			
3 Excess distributions carryover, if any, to 2018			
a From 2013			
b From 2014			
c From 2015			
d From 2016			
e From 2017			
f Total of lines 3a through e			
g Applied to underdistributions of prior years			
h Applied to 2018 distributable amount			
i Carryover from 2013 not applied (see Instructions)			
j Remainder. Subtract lines 3g, 3h, and 3i from 3f.			
4 Distributions for 2018 from Section D, line 7: \$			
a Applied to underdistributions of prior years			
b Applied to 2018 distributable amount			
c Remainder. Subtract lines 4a and 4b from 4.			
d Remaining underdistributions for years prior to 2018, if any. Subtract lines 3g and 4a from line 2. For result greater than zero, explain in Part VI. See Instructions.			
e Remaining underdistributions for 2018. Subtract lines 3h and 4b from line 1. For result greater than zero, explain in Part VI. See Instructions.			
f Excess distributions carryover to 2019. Add lines 3j and 4c.			
g Breakdown of line 7:			
a Excess from 2014			
b Excess from 2015			
c Excess from 2016			
d Excess from 2017			
e Excess from 2018			

Part VI

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

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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.
- Go to www.irs.gov/Form990 for the latest information.

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2018

Name of the organization

COUNTRY MUSIC FOUNDATION, INC.

Employer identification number

62-0753887

Organization type (check one):

Filters 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 \$6,000 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 (entering *N/A* in column (b) instead of the contributor name and address), 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 \$6,000 or more during the year ► \$ _____

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

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

(a) No.	(b) Name, address, and ZIP + 4	(c) Total contributions	(d) Type of contribution
1		\$ 510,000.	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
2		\$ 120,500.	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
3		\$ 80,600.	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
4		\$ 116,700.	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
5		\$ 121,330.	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
6		\$ 119,732.	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)

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

(a) No.	(b) Name, address, and ZIP + 4	(c) Total contributions	(d) Type of contribution
7		\$ 148,704.	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
8		\$ 136,100.	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
9		\$ 165,000.	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
10		\$ 96,521.	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
		\$ _____	Person <input type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
		\$ _____	Person <input type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
		\$ _____	Person <input type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)

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

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

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Part III: Exclusively religious, charitable, etc., contributions to organizations described in section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) that total more than \$1,000 for the year from any one contributor. Complete columns (a) through (e) and the following line entry. For organizations completing Part III, enter the total of exclusively religious, charitable, etc., contributions of \$1,000 or less for the year. (Enter this total, over.) ➤ \$ _____
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	
(e) Transfer of gift			
Transferee's name, address, and ZIP + 4		Relationship of transferor to transferee	
(e) Transfer of gift			
Transferee's name, address, and ZIP + 4		Relationship of transferor to transferee	
(e) Transfer of gift			
Transferee's name, address, and ZIP + 4		Relationship of transferor to transferee	

SCHEDULE D
(Form 990)Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service**Supplemental Financial Statements**► Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990,
Part IV, line 8, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11a, 11b, 11c, 11d, 11e, 11f, 12a, or 12b.► Go to www.irs.gov/Form990 for instructions and the latest information.

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Inspection

Name of the organization

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62-0753887**Part I** Organizations Maintaining Donor Advised Funds or Other Similar Funds or Accounts. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 6.

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

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

1 Purpose(s) of conservation easements held by the organization (check all that apply).	<input type="checkbox"/> Preservation of land for public use (e.g., recreation or education)	<input type="checkbox"/> Preservation of a historically important land area
	<input type="checkbox"/> Protection of natural habitat	<input type="checkbox"/> Preservation of a certified historic structure
	<input type="checkbox"/> Preservation of open space	
2 Complete lines 2a through 2d if the organization held a qualified conservation contribution in the form of a conservation easement on the last day of the tax year.		Held at the End of the Tax Year
a Total number of conservation easements	2a	
b Total acreage restricted by conservation easements	2b	
c Number of conservation easements on a certified historic structure included in (a)	2c	
d Number of conservation easements included in (c) acquired after 7/25/06, 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?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
6 Staff and volunteer hours devoted to monitoring, inspecting, handling of violations, and enforcing conservation easements during the year ►		
7 Amount of expenses incurred in monitoring, inspecting, handling of violations, and enforcing conservation easements during the year ► \$		
8 Does each conservation easement reported on line 2(d) above satisfy the requirements of section 170(h)(4)(B)(i) and section 170(h)(4)(B)(ii)?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
9 In Part XIII, describe how the organization reports conservation easements in its revenue and expense statement, and balance sheet, and include, if applicable, the text of the footnote to the organization's financial statements that describes the organization's accounting for conservation easements.		

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

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

1a If the organization elected, as permitted under SFAS 116 (ASC 958), not to report in its revenue statement and balance sheet works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets held for public exhibition, education, or research in furtherance of public service, provide, in Part XIII, the text of the footnote to its financial statements that describes these items.
1b 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) 2018

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Part VII Investments - Other Securities.

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

(a) Description of security or category (including name of security)	(b) Book value	(c) Method of valuation: Cost or end-of-year market value
(1) Financial derivatives		
(2) Closely-held equity interests		
(3) Other		
(A)		
(B)		
(C)		
(D)		
(E)		
(F)		
(G)		
(H)		
Total. (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)		
Total. (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)	
Total. (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.

(a) Description of liability	(b) Book value
(1) Federal income taxes	
(2) CAPITAL LEASE OBLIGATION	16,789,613.
(3)	
(4)	
(5)	
(6)	
(7)	
(8)	
(9)	
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col. (B) line 25.) ►	16,789,613.

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 (ASU 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	43,896,286.
2 Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12:		
a Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	2a	-180,349.
b Donated services and use of facilities	2b	193,890.
c Recoveries of prior year grants	2c	
d Other (Describe in Part XIII.)	2d	200,398.
e Add lines 2a through 2d	2e	213,939.
3 Subtract line 2e from line 1	3	43,682,347.
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	-2,946,000.
c Add lines 4a and 4b	4c	-2,946,000.
5 Total revenue. Add lines 3 and 4c. (This must equal Form 990, Part I, line 12.)	5	40,736,347.

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	39,067,833.
2 Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part IX, line 25:		
a Donated services and use of facilities	2a	193,890.
b Prior year adjustments	2b	
c Other losses	2c	
d Other (Describe in Part XIII.)	2d	3,146,398.
e Add lines 2a through 2d	2e	3,340,288.
3 Subtract line 2e from line 1	3	35,727,545.
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	35,727,545.

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 III, LINE 1A:

THE FOUNDATION'S COLLECTIONS ARE MADE UP PRINCIPALLY OF RECORDINGS, BOOKS, FILMS AND PERIODICALS THAT ARE HELD FOR EDUCATIONAL AND CURATORIAL PURPOSES. THESE ITEMS ARE CATALOGED, PRESERVED, AND CARED FOR, AND ACTIVITIES VERIFYING THEIR EXISTENCE AND ASSESSING THEIR CONDITION ARE PERFORMED CONTINUOUSLY. IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF GAAP, THE FOUNDATION DOES NOT CAPITALIZE DONATED ARTIFACTS OR RECOGNIZE THEM AS REVENUES OR GAINS. GAAP PROVIDES THAT SUCH DONATIONS NEED NOT BE RECOGNIZED IF THEY ARE ADDED TO COLLECTIONS THAT ARE HELD FOR PUBLIC EXHIBITION, EDUCATION, OR RESEARCH IN FURTHERANCE OF PUBLIC SERVICE RATHER THAN FINANCIAL GAIN; ARE PROTECTED, KEPT UNENCUMBERED, CARED FOR, AND PRESERVED; AND ARE SUBJECT TO A POLICY THAT REQUIRES THE PROCEEDS FROM

Part XIII Supplemental Information (continued)

SALES OF COLLECTION ITEMS TO BE USED TO ACQUIRE OTHER ITEMS FOR COLLECTIONS. THE ESTIMATED FAIR VALUE OF THE DONATED ARTIFACTS IN THE YEAR 2018 IS \$460,683 AND FOR THE YEAR 2017 IS \$6,125,108.

PART V, LINE 4:

THE ORGANIZATION HAS AN ENDOWMENT POLICY AND INVESTMENT POLICY. THE CORPUS IS HELD AND THE EARNINGS OF A ROLLING 3 YEAR AVERAGE UP TO 5% ARE DISTRIBUTED TO OPERATIONS. ANY RESTRICTED FUNDING IS USED AS DESIGNATED. THE ENDOWMENT FUNDS ARE FUNDS THAT GROW IN VALUE AND PROVIDE A SOURCE OF INCOME PRIMARILY FOR THE SUPPORT OF OPERATING COSTS.

PART X, LINE 2:

MANAGEMENT PERFORMS AN EVALUATION OF ALL INCOME TAX POSITIONS TAKEN OR EXPECTED TO BE TAKEN IN THE COURSE OF PREPARING THE FOUNDATION'S INCOME TAX RETURNS TO DETERMINE WHETHER THE INCOME TAX POSITIONS MEET A "MORE LIKELY THAN NOT" STANDARD OF BEING SUSTAINED UNDER EXAMINATION BY THE APPLICABLE TAXING AUTHORITIES. MANAGEMENT HAS PERFORMED ITS EVALUATION OF ALL INCOME TAX POSITIONS TAKEN ON ALL OPEN INCOME TAX RETURNS AND HAS DETERMINED THAT THERE WERE NO POSITIONS TAKEN THAT DO NOT MEET THE "MORE LIKELY THAN NOT" STANDARD. ACCORDINGLY, THERE ARE NO PROVISIONS FOR INCOME TAXES, PENALTIES OR INTEREST RECEIVABLE OR PAYABLE RELATING TO UNCERTAIN INCOME TAX POSITIONS IN THE ACCOMPANYING CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS.

PART XI, LINE 2D - OTHER ADJUSTMENTS:

SPECIAL FUNDRAISING EVENTS 200,398.

PART XI, LINE 4B - OTHER ADJUSTMENTS:

Part XIII | Supplemental Information (continued)

RECLASS OF INVESTMENT FEES	22,973.
COST OF GOODS SOLD RECLASS	-2,968,973.
TOTAL TO SCHEDULE D, PART XI, LINE 4B	-2,946,000.

PART XII, LINE 2D - OTHER ADJUSTMENTS:

RECLASS OF INVESTMENT FEES	-22,973.
COST OF GOODS SOLD RECLASS	2,968,973.
SPECIAL FUNDRAISING EVENTS	200,398.
TOTAL TO SCHEDULE D, PART XII, LINE 2D	3,146,398.

SCHEDULE G
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)**Supplemental Information Regarding Fundraising or Gaming Activities**Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

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

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Name of the organization

COUNTRY MUSIC FOUNDATION, INC.Employer identification number
62-0753887**Part I** **Fundraising Activities.** Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 17. Form 990-EZ filers are not required to complete this part.**1** Indicate whether the organization raised funds through any of the following activities. Check all that apply.

- | | |
|---|--|
| a <input type="checkbox"/> Mail solicitations | e <input type="checkbox"/> Solicitation of non-government grants |
| b <input type="checkbox"/> Internet and email solicitations | f <input type="checkbox"/> Solicitation of government grants |
| c <input type="checkbox"/> Phone solicitations | g <input type="checkbox"/> Special fundraising events |
| d <input type="checkbox"/> In-person solicitations | |

2 a Did the organization have a written or oral agreement with any individual (including officers, directors, trustees, or key employees listed in Form 990, Part VII) or entity in connection with professional fundraising services? Yes No**b** If "Yes," list the 10 highest paid individuals or entities (fundraisers) pursuant to agreements under which the fundraiser is to be compensated at least \$5,000 by the organization.

(I) Name and address of individual or entity (fundraiser)	(II) Activity	(III) Did fundraiser have custody or control of contributions?	(IV) Gross receipts from activity	(V) Amount paid to (or retained by) fundraiser listed in col. (I)	(VI) Amount paid to (or retained by) organization
		Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>			

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

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

	(a) Event #1 AFTH NY (event type)	(b) Event #2 (event type)	(c) Other events NONE (total number)	(d) Total events (add col. (a) through col. (c))
Revenue	1 Gross receipts	272,340.		272,340.
	2 Less: Contributions			
	3 Gross Income (Line 1 minus Line 2)	272,340.		272,340.
Direct Expenses	4 Cash prizes			
	5 Noncash prizes			
	6 Rent/facility costs	50,663.		50,663.
	7 Food and beverages	60,936.		60,936.
	8 Entertainment			
	9 Other direct expenses	88,799.		88,799.
	10 Direct expense summary. Add lines 4 through 9 in column (d)			200,398.
	11 Net income summary. Subtract line 10 from line 3, column (d)			71,942.

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

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

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

a Is the organization licensed to conduct gaming activities in each of these states? Yes No
 b If "No," explain: _____

10a Were any of the organization's gaming licenses revoked, suspended, or terminated during the tax year? Yes No
 b If "Yes," explain: _____

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

Name ► _____

Address ► _____

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

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

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

Name ► _____

Address ► _____

16 Gaming manager information:

Name ► _____

Gaming manager compensation ► \$ _____

Description of services provided ► _____

Director/officer Employee Independent contractor

17 Mandatory distributions:

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

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

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

Part IV Supplemental Information *(continued)*

SCHEDULE J
(Form 990)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Compensation Information

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

- Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 23.
- Attach to Form 990.
- Go to www.irs.gov/Form990 for instructions and the latest information.

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Name of the organization

COUNTRY MUSIC FOUNDATION, INC.

Employer identification number
62-0753887

Part I Questions Regarding Compensation

- a Check the appropriate box(es) if the organization provided any of the following to or for a person listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a. Complete Part III to provide any relevant information regarding these items.
- | | |
|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> First-class or charter travel | <input type="checkbox"/> Housing allowance or residence for personal use |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Travel for companions | <input type="checkbox"/> Payments for business use of personal residence |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Tax indemnification and gross-up payments | <input type="checkbox"/> Health or social club dues or initiation fees |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Discretionary spending account | <input type="checkbox"/> Personal services (such as maid, chauffeur, chef) |

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

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

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

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

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

- a Receive a severance payment or change-of-control payment?
- b Participate in, or receive payment from, a supplemental nonqualified retirement plan?
- c Participate in, or receive payment from, an equity-based compensation arrangement?

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

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

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

- a The organization?
- b Any related organization?

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

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

- a The organization?
- b Any related organization?

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

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

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

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

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Part II 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.

SCHEDULE K
 (Form 990)
 Department of the Treasury
 Internal Revenue Service

Name of the organization

COUNTRY MUSIC FOUNDATION, INC.

SEE PART VI FOR COLUMN (A) CONTINUATIONS

Part I Bond Issues

[a] Issuer name	[b] CUSIP#	[c] Date issued	[d] Issue price	[e] Description of purpose	[f] Defeased	[g] On behalf of issuer	[h] Pooled financing
INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT BOARD OF THE METRO GOVERN	2-1789764NONEAVAIL	03/22/10	23,035,000	REFUNDING OF 1999 BOND ISSUE		X	X
B							
C							
D							

Part II Proceeds

	A	B	C	D
1 Amount of bonds retired	22,035,000.			
2 Amount of bonds legally defeased				
3 Total proceeds of issue	23,035,000.			
4 Gross proceeds in reserve funds				
5 Capitalized interest from proceeds				
6 Proceeds in refunding escrows				
7 issuance costs from proceeds				
8 Credit enhancement from proceeds				
9 Working capital expenditures from proceeds				
10 Capital expenditures from proceeds				
11 Other spent proceeds				
12 Other unspent proceeds				
13 Year of substantial completion	2001			
	Yes	No	Yes	No
14 Were the bonds issued as part of a refunding issue of tax-exempt bonds (or, if issued prior to 2018, a current refunding issue)?	X			
15 Were the bonds issued as part of a refunding issue of taxable bonds (or, if issued prior to 2018, an advance refunding issue)?	X			
16 Has the final allocation of proceeds been made?	X			
17 Does the organization maintain adequate books and records to support the final allocation of proceeds?	X			

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Schedule K (Form 990) 2018

Supplemental Information on Tax-Exempt Bonds

- Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 24a. Provide descriptions, explanations, and any additional information in Part VI.
- Attach to Form 990. ► Go to www.irs.gov/Form990 for instructions and the latest information.

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62-0753887

Part III: Private Business Use

	A	B	C	D
	Yes	No	Yes	No
1 Was the organization a partner in a partnership, or a member of an LLC, which owned property financed by tax-exempt bonds?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
2 Are there any lease arrangements that may result in private business use of bond-financed property?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
3a Are there any management or service contracts that may result in private business use of bond-financed property?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
b If "Yes" to line 3a, does the organization routinely engage bond counsel or other outside counsel to review any management or service contracts relating to the financed property?				
c Are there any research agreements that may result in private business use of bond-financed property?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
d If "Yes" to line 3c, does the organization routinely engage bond counsel or other outside counsel to review any research agreements relating to the financed property?				
4 Enter the percentage of financed property used in a private business use by entities other than a section 501(c)(3) organization or a state or local government	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	%	%	%
5 Enter the percentage of financed property used in a private business use as a result of unrelated trade or business activity carried on by your organization, another section 501(c)(3) organization, or a state or local government	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	%	%	%
6 Total of lines 4 and 5	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	%	%	%
7 Does the bond issue meet the private security or payment test?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
8a Has there been a sale or disposition of any of the bond-financed property to a non-governmental person other than a 501(c)(3) organization since the bonds were issued?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
b If "Yes" to line 8a, enter the percentage of bond-financed property sold or disposed of				
c If "Yes" to line 8a, was any remedial action taken pursuant to Regulations sections 1.141-12 and 1.145-2?				
9 Has the organization established written procedures to ensure that all nonqualified bonds of the issuer are remediated in accordance with the requirements under Regulations sections 1.141-12 and 1.145-2?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
Part IV Arbitrage				
	A	B	C	D
	Yes	No	Yes	No
1 Has the issuer filed Form 8038-T, Arbitrage Rebate, Yield Reduction and Penalty in Lieu of Arbitrage Rebate?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
2 If "No" to line 1, did the following apply?				
a Rebate not due yet?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
b Exception to rebate?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
c No rebate due?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
If "Yes" to line 2c, provide in Part VI the date the rebate computation was performed				
3 Is the bond issue a variable rate issue?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			

Part IV Arbitrage (Continued)

	A	B	C	D
Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes
	X			
4a Has the organization or the governmental issuer entered into a qualified hedge with respect to the bond issue?				
b Name of provider				
c Term of hedge				
d Was the hedge superintegrated?				
e Was the hedge terminated?				
f Were gross proceeds invested in a guaranteed investment contract (GIC)?	X			
g Were gross proceeds invested in a guaranteed investment contract (GIC) satisfied?				
h Name of provider				
i Term of GIC				
j Was the regulatory safe harbor for establishing the fair market value of the GIC satisfied?				
k Were any gross proceeds invested beyond an available temporary period?				
l Has the organization established written procedures to monitor the requirements of section 148?		X		

Part V Procedures To Undertake Corrective Action

	A	B	C	D
Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes
	X			
Has the organization established written procedures to ensure that violations of federal tax requirements are timely identified and corrected through the voluntary closing agreement program if self-correction isn't available under applicable regulations?				

Part VI Supplemental Information. Provide additional information for responses to questions on Schedule K. See Instructions**SCHEDULE K, PART I, BOND ISSUES:**

(A) ISSUER NAME :

INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT BOARD OF THE METRO GOVERNMENT OF NASHVILLE/DAVIDSON

Part IV Business Transactions Involving Interested Persons.

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

(a) Name of interested person	(b) Relationship between interested person and the organization	(c) Amount of transaction	(d) Description of transaction	(e) Sharing of organization's revenues?	
				Yes	No
ERNIE WILLIAMS	BOARD MEMBER AND ME	22,973	CMF'S ENDOW	X	
KEN LEVITAN	BOARD MEMBER AND PA	16,002	CMF OWNS 40	X	

Part V Supplemental Information.

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

SCH L, PART IV, BUSINESS TRANSACTIONS INVOLVING INTERESTED PERSONS:**(A) NAME OF PERSON: ERNIE WILLIAMS****(B) RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN INTERESTED PERSON AND ORGANIZATION:**

BOARD MEMBER AND MEMBER OF ENDOWMENT INVESTMENT MANAGER

(D) DESCRIPTION OF TRANSACTION: CMF'S ENDOWMENT IS HELD BY THEINVESTMENT MANAGER OF WHICH MR. WILLIAMS IS A OWNER. TRANSACTION AMOUNT
IS MANAGEMENT FEES PAID TO THE INVESTMENT MANAGER**(A) NAME OF PERSON: KEN LEVITAN****(B) RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN INTERESTED PERSON AND ORGANIZATION:**

BOARD MEMBER AND PART OWNER OF BAJO SEXTO

(D) DESCRIPTION OF TRANSACTION: CMF OWNS 40% OF BAJO SEXTO, MR. LEVITAN
IS ONE OF THE OTHER OWNERS WHOSE OWNERSHIP INTEREST MAKE UP THE REMAINING
60% OWNERSHIP INTEREST IN BAJO SEXTO. TRANSACTION AMOUNT IS CMF'S
CURRENT YEAR EARNINGS FROM BAJO SEXTO.

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

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Name of the organization

COUNTRY MUSIC FOUNDATION, INC.

Employer identification number
62-0753887**Part I** Types of Property

	(a) Check if applicable	(b) Number of contributions or items contributed	(c) Noncash contribution amounts reported on Form 990, Part VIII, line 1g	(d) Method of determining noncash contribution amounts
1 Art - Works of art				
2 Art - Historical treasures				
3 Art - Fractional interests				
4 Books and publications				
5 Clothing and household goods				
6 Cars and other vehicles				
7 Boats and planes				
8 Intellectual property				
9 Securities - Publicly traded				
10 Securities - Closely held stock				
11 Securities - Partnership, LLC, or trust interests				
12 Securities - Miscellaneous	X	1	600,996	FAIR MARKET VALUE
13 Qualified conservation contribution - Historical structures				
14 Qualified conservation contribution - Other				
15 Real estate - Residential				
16 Real estate - Commercial				
17 Real estate - Other				
18 Collectibles	X	11,241	460,683	FAIR MARKET VALUE
19 Food inventory	X	48	28,591	FAIR MARKET VALUE
20 Drugs and medical supplies				
21 Taxidermy				
22 Historical artifacts				
23 Scientific specimens				
24 Archeological artifacts				
25 Other ► (GIBSON GUITAR)	X	2	9,658	FAIR MARKET VALUE
26 Other ► (SWEEPSTAKES G)	X	4	8,505	FAIR MARKET VALUE
27 Other ► (MISCELLANEOUS)	X	16	8,286	FAIR MARKET VALUE
28 Other ► ()				

29 Number of Forms 8283 received by the organization during the tax year for contributions for which the organization completed Form 8283, Part IV, Donee Acknowledgement 29

30a During the year, did the organization receive by contribution any property reported in Part I, lines 1 through 28, that it must hold for at least three years from the date of the initial contribution, and which isn't required to be used for exempt purposes for the entire holding period?

Yes	No
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

30a X

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

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

Yes	No
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

31 32a Does the organization hire or use third parties or related organizations to solicit, process, or sell noncash contributions?

Yes	No
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

32a 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 (or which column (a) is checked), describe in Part II.

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Schedule M (Form 990) 2018

Part II

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

SCHEDULE M, PART I, COLUMN (B):

PART 1, COLUMN (B) REPRESENTS AN ESTIMATE OF THE NUMBER OF

CONTRIBUTORS, EXCEPT FOR COLLECTIBLES WHICH ARE THE NUMBER OF ITEMS

CONTRIBUTED.

SCHEDULE M, LINE 33:

IN ACCORDANCE WITH PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS, THE ORGANIZATION HAS ELECTED

THAT CERTAIN OBJECTS ACQUIRED THROUGH PURCHASES AND CONTRIBUTIONS SINCE

THE ASSOCIATION'S INCEPTION NOT BE VALUED ON THE BALANCE SHEET. THE

COST OF SUCH OBJECTS PURCHASED ARE REFLECTED AS PROGRAM EXPENSES AND

TREATED AS DECREASES IN UNRESTRICTED NET ASSETS IN THE YEAR IN

WHICH THE ITEMS ARE ACQUIRED OR AS DECREASES IN TEMPORARILY OR

PERMANENTLY RESTRICTED NET ASSETS IF THE ASSETS USED TO PURCHASE THE

ITEMS ARE RESTRICTED BY DONORS. PROCEEDS FROM THE SALE OF ANY

DEACCESSIONED ITEMS ARE CLASSIFIED AS TEMPORARILY RESTRICTED NET

ASSETS, TO BE APPLIED TOWARD FUTURE COLLECTION ACQUISITIONS. THE VALUE

OF COLLECTION ITEMS CONTRIBUTED EACH YEAR BY DONORS IS NOT RECORDED IN

THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS.

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.

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

FUNCTIONING AS A LOCAL HISTORY MUSEUM AND AS AN INTERNATIONAL ARTS
ORGANIZATION, THE CMF SERVES VISITING AND NON-VISITING AUDIENCES
INCLUDING FAMILIES, STUDENTS, SCHOLARS, MEMBERS OF THE MUSIC INDUSTRY,
AND THE GENERAL PUBLIC, IN THE NASHVILLE AREA, THE NATION, AND THE
WORLD.

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

" 12 EXHIBITIONS WERE CURATED AND PRESENTED INCLUDING OUTLAWS &
ARMADILLOS: COUNTRY'S ROARING '70S, AND OTHER EXHIBITIONS THAT TOLD
THE STORIES OF COUNTRY MUSIC HALL OF FAME MEMBER EMMYLOU HARRIS,
CONTEMPORARY BAND LITTLE BIG TOWN, EPIC DUO THE JUDDS, MOUNTAIN MUSIC
HERO RALPH STANLEY, POWERHOUSE MUSIC EXECUTIVE FRANCIS PRESTON, AND THE
2018 CLASS OF HALL OF FAME MEMBERS WHICH INCLUDES JOHNNY GIMBLE, RICKY
SKAGGS AND DOTTIE WEST.

" 99,451 GUESTS ENGAGED IN 1,241 HANDS-ON LEARNING ACTIVITIES
GUIDED BY MUSEUM EDUCATORS IN THE TAYLOR SWIFT EDUCATION CENTER.

" 98,750 DIGITALLY AVAILABLE ARTIFACTS AVAILABLE AND 500 DAILY
PAGE VIEWS VIA THE MUSEUM'S DIGITAL ARCHIVE BY USERS IN ALL 50 STATES
AND 135 COUNTRIES AROUND THE WORLD.

" 5,931 NEWS STORIES, REACHED 3.5 BILLION PEOPLE, FEATURED THE
MUSEUM AND ITS PROGRAMS.

" 1,831 EVENTS WERE HOSTED AT THE MUSEUM.

" 237,374 CUSTOM POSTERS WERE PRODUCED BY HATCH SHOW PRINT.

" 179 VOLUNTEERS CONTRIBUTED 16,013 HOURS OF SERVICE, VALUED AT
\$395,360 BY INDEPENDENT SECTOR RESEARCH.

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" 39,083 STUDENTS ENGAGED IN MUSEUM PROGRAMS FOR SCHOOLS.

" 28,720 MEALS PROVIDED FOR MIDDLE TENNESSEANS THROUGH THE
DONATION OF 14,881 POUNDS OF FOOD.

" 143 TONS OF TRASH WERE DIVERTED FROM LANDFILLS USING
AWARD-WINNING SUSTAINABILITY PRACTICES.

FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION A, LINE 2:

ERNEST WILLIAMS III, DIRECTOR, AND KYLE YOUNG, CEO, HAVE A BUSINESS
RELATIONSHIP.

FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION A, LINE 8B:

COMMITTEE MEETINGS OF THE BOARD ARE LESS FORMAL, BUT A WRITTEN AGENDA IS
PREPARED IN ADVANCE FOR EACH MEETING. SIGNIFICANT DECISIONS MUST STILL BE
APPROVED BY THE FULL VOTING BOARD.

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

THE ORGANIZATION DOES NOT PROVIDE A COPY OF ITS FORM 990 TO THE ENTIRE
GOVERNING BOARD PRIOR TO FILING. HOWEVER THE SR. VP OF FINANCIAL SERVICES
AND OPERATIONS REVIEWS A DRAFT OF THE FORM 990 WITH THE FINANCE COMMITTEE
BOARD CHAIR PRIOR TO FILING.

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

THE ORGANIZATION REQUIRES EACH BOARD MEMBER TO REVIEW ITS ETHICS AND
CONFLICTS OF INTEREST POLICY ANNUALLY AND SIGN A STATEMENT DISCLOSING ANY
CONFLICTS OF INTEREST. IF IT IS DETERMINED THAT A BOARD MEMBER MAY HAVE A
CONFLICT OF INTEREST RELATED TO AN ISSUE UNDER CONSIDERATION BY THE BOARD,
THAT BOARD MEMBER DOES NOT PARTICIPATE IN ANY DISCUSSION OR VOTING ON THAT
ISSUE.

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THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETS AND REVIEWS CEO COMPENSATION FOR SIMILAR ORGANIZATIONS. FOR OTHER KEY EMPLOYEES, MANAGEMENT COMPARES PUBLISHED DATA FROM OTHER NONPROFITS AND CONSULTS WITH HUMAN RESOURCE CONSULTANTS REGARDING MARKET SALARY RANGES.

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

THESE DOCUMENTS ARE NOT MADE AVAILABLE TO THE GENERAL PUBLIC.

FORM 990, PART XII, LINE 2C:

THE ORGANIZATION HAS NOT CHANGED EITHER ITS OVERSIGHT PROCESS OR SELECTION PROCESS DURING THE TAX YEAR.

SCHEDULE R
(Form 990)Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service**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
BRILL OF FAME GRILL AND CATERING LLC - 27-0144678, 222 5TH AVE SOUTH, NASHVILLE, TN 37203	OPERATION OF RESTAURANT IN MUSEUM/CATERING EVENTS AND VENUE RENTALS	TENNESSEE	\$,087,854 -	875,751	COUNTRY MUSIC FOUNDATION

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					

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Schedule R (Form 990) 2018

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 distribution? Yes No	[i] Code V-JBI amount in box 20 of Schedule K-1 (Form 1055)	[j] General or Percentage ownership by managing partner? Yes No
FOOD ON FIFTH LLC - 47-2394270, 222 5TH AVE SOUTH, NASHVILLE, TN 37203	OPERATION OF RESTAURANT IN	TN	CGF, LLC	DIRECTED	96,452.	340,740.	X	96,452.	X 40,004

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 by managing partner? Yes No	[i] Section 2536(b)(3) 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.

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

			Yes	No
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?			
a	Receipt of [i] interest, [ii] annuities, [iii] royalties, or [iv] rent from a controlled entity	1a	X	
b	Gift, grant, or capital contribution to related organization(s)	1b	X	
c	Gift, grant, or capital contribution from related organization(s)	1c	X	
d	Loans or loan guarantees to, or for related organization(s)	1d	X	
e	Loans or loan guarantees by related organization(s)	1e	X	
f	Dividends from related organization(s)	1f	X	
g	Sale of assets to related organization(s)	1g	X	
h	Purchase of assets from related organization(s)	1h	X	
i	Exchange of assets with related organization(s)	1i	X	
j	Lease of facilities, equipment, or other assets to related organization(s)	1j	X	
k	Lease of facilities, equipment, or other assets from related organization(s)	1k	X	
l	Performance of services or membership or fundraising solicitations for related organization(s)	1l	X	
m	Performance of services or membership or fundraising solicitations by related organization(s)	1m	X	
n	Sharing of facilities, equipment, mailing lists, or other assets with related organization(s)	1n	X	
o	Sharing of paid employees with related organization(s)	1o	X	
p	Reimbursement paid to related organization(s) for expenses	1p	X	
q	Reimbursement paid by related organization(s) for expenses	1q	X	
r	Other transfer of cash or property to related organization(s)	1r	X	
s	Other transfer of cash or property from related organization(s)	1s	X	
2	If the answer to any of the above is "Yes," see the instructions for information on who must complete this line, including covered relatives and transaction thresholds.			
	(a) Name of related organization	(b) Transaction type (a-s)	(c) Amount involved	(d) Method of determining amount involved
(1) FOOD ON FIFTH LLC	F	168,000	FAIR VALUE	
(2)				
(3)				
(4)				
(5)				
(6)				

Part VII Supplemental Information.

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