

TAX RETURN FILING INSTRUCTIONS

PUBLIC INSPECTION COPY

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Special Instructions	Returns should be signed and dated by the appropriate officer(s). Exempt organizations are required to provide copies of their most recent Forms 990, and their Application for Recognition of Exemption (Form 1023 or 1024) for public inspection upon request. Charities must also make available Forms 990-T filed after August 17, 2006. Schedules, attachments, and supporting documents filed with Form 990-T that do not relate to the imposition of unrelated business income tax are not required to be made available for public inspection and copying (e.g. Form 5471, <i>Information Return of U.S. Persons With Respect to Certain Foreign Corporations</i> and Form 8886, <i>Reportable Transaction Disclosure Statement</i>). Forms 990 and 990-T must be made available for the three-year period beginning on the last day prescribed for filing such return (determined with regard to any extension of time for filing). The names of any contributors should not be disclosed, so we have deleted them.
Application for Recognition of Exemption	The copy of the Application for Recognition of Exemption must include any papers submitted in support of such application and any letter or other document issued by the Internal Revenue Service with respect to such application. An organization that submitted its Form 1023 or 1024 on or before July 15, 1987 must make this form available for public inspection only if they had a copy of the Application on July 15, 1987.
Requests made in person	If the request is made in person, the organization must respond by the end of the business day.
Requests made in writing	If the request is made in writing, the organization must respond within 30 days.
Fees charged for copies	The organization can make a reasonable charge for copying and posting. The regulations limit the copying charge to that charged by the IRS for providing copies, currently \$0.20 for each page.
What if we post Form 990 on our website?	The requirement to provide copies can be eliminated if the organization posts the relevant documents on its web site. The public must be able to download the documents and print them in the exact form they were filed with the IRS (except for disclosing contributors). The download must be free and use software that is available without charge. Even if the documents are posted on the web, the organization must still have a copy available for inspection at its offices.
What if we fail to comply with requests?	The IRS may impose significant monetary penalties on an organization that does not adhere to the disclosure requirements.

Cumulative e-File History 2015	
Federal	
Locator:	19883Z
Taxpayer Name:	Aircraft Owners & Pilots Association
Return Type:	990, 990 & 990T (Corp)
Submitted Date:	07/26/2016 14:37:12
Acknowledgement Date:	07/26/2016 14:56:20
Status:	Accepted
Submission ID:	54681420162085000000

IRS e-file Signature Authorization for an Exempt Organization

For calendar year 2015, or fiscal year beginning . 2015, and ending . 20

Do not send to the IRS. Keep for your records.

Information about Form 8879-EO and its instructions is at www.irs.gov/form8879eo.

2015

Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service

Name of exempt organization

Employer identification number

AIRCRAFT OWNERS & PILOTS ASSOCIATION

52-0636210

Name and title of officer

ERICA SACCOIA, SVP-FINANCE

Part I Type of Return and Return Information (Whole Dollars Only)

Check the box for the return for which you are using this Form 8879-EO and enter the applicable amount, if any, from the return. If you check the box on line 1a, 2a, 3a, 4a, or 5a, below, and the amount on that line for the return being filed with this form was blank, then leave line 1b, 2b, 3b, 4b, or 5b, whichever is applicable, blank (do not enter -0-). But, if you entered -0- on the return, then enter -0- on the applicable line below. Do not complete more than 1 line in Part I.

- 1a Form 990 check here [X] b Total revenue, if any (Form 990, Part VIII, column (A), line 12) . . . 1b 45793657.
2a Form 990-EZ check here [] b Total revenue, if any (Form 990-EZ, line 9) 2b
3a Form 1120-POL check here [] b Total tax (Form 1120-POL, line 22) 3b
4a Form 990-PF check here [] b Tax based on investment income (Form 990-PF, Part VI, line 5). 4b
5a Form 8868 check here [] b Balance Due (Form 8868, Part I, line 3c or Part II, line 8c) 5b

Part II Declaration and Signature Authorization of Officer

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I am an officer of the above organization and that I have examined a copy of the organization's 2015 electronic return and accompanying schedules and statements and to the best of my knowledge and belief, they are true, correct, and complete. I further declare that the amount in Part I above is the amount shown on the copy of the organization's electronic return. I consent to allow my intermediate service provider, transmitter, or electronic return originator (ERO) to send the organization's return to the IRS and to receive from the IRS (a) an acknowledgement of receipt or reason for rejection of the transmission, (b) the reason for any delay in processing the return or refund, and (c) the date of any refund. If applicable, I authorize the U.S. Treasury and its designated Financial Agent to initiate an electronic funds withdrawal (direct debit) entry to the financial institution account indicated in the tax preparation software for payment of the organization's federal taxes owed on this return, and the financial institution to debit the entry to this account. To revoke a payment, I must contact the U.S. Treasury Financial Agent at 1-888-353-4537 no later than 2 business days prior to the payment (settlement) date. I also authorize the financial institutions involved in the processing of the electronic payment of taxes to receive confidential information necessary to answer inquiries and resolve issues related to the payment. I have selected a personal identification number (PIN) as my signature for the organization's electronic return and, if applicable, the organization's consent to electronic funds withdrawal.

Officer's PIN: check one box only

[X] I authorize GRANT THORNTON to enter my PIN 14236 as my signature

on the organization's tax year 2015 electronically filed return. If I have indicated within this return that a copy of the return is being filed with a state agency(ies) regulating charities as part of the IRS Fed/State program, I also authorize the aforementioned ERO to enter my PIN on the return's disclosure consent screen.

[] As an officer of the organization, I will enter my PIN as my signature on the organization's tax year 2015 electronically filed return. If I have indicated within this return that a copy of the return is being filed with a state agency(ies) regulating charities as part of the IRS Fed/State program, I will enter my PIN on the return's disclosure consent screen.

Officer's signature Erica Saccoia

Date 7-22-16

Part III Certification and Authentication

ERO's EFIN/PIN. Enter your six-digit electronic filing identification number (EFIN) followed by your five-digit self-selected PIN.

54681436605

do not enter all zeros

I certify that the above numeric entry is my PIN, which is my signature on the 2015 electronically filed return for the organization indicated above. I confirm that I am submitting this return in accordance with the requirements of Pub. 4163, Modernized e-File (MeF) Information for Authorized IRS e-file Providers for Business Returns.

ERO's signature Mary O'Rourke

Date 07/22/2016

ERO Must Retain This Form - See Instructions Do Not Submit This Form To the IRS Unless Requested To Do So

For Paperwork Reduction Act Notice, see back of form.

Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

OMB No. 1545-0047

Form **990**

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

2015

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

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

Open to Public Inspection

A For the 2015 calendar year, or tax year beginning , 2015, and ending , 20

B Check if applicable: <input type="checkbox"/> Address change <input type="checkbox"/> Name change <input type="checkbox"/> Initial return <input type="checkbox"/> Terminated <input type="checkbox"/> Amended return <input type="checkbox"/> Application pending	C Name of organization AIRCRAFT OWNERS & PILOTS ASSOCIATION			D Employer identification number 52-0636210	
	Doing Business As			E Telephone number (301) 695-2000	
	Number and street (or P.O. box if mail is not delivered to street address) Room/suite 421 AVIATION WAY				
	City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code FREDERICK, MD 21701			G Gross receipts \$ 96,615,296.	
F Name and address of principal officer: MARK BAKER, CEO/PRESIDENT 421 AVIATION WAY FREDERICK, MD 21701			H(a) Is this a group return for subordinates? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No H(b) Are all subordinates included? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If "No," attach a list. (see instructions)		
I Tax-exempt status: <input type="checkbox"/> 501(c)(3) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 501(c)(4) ◀ (insert no.) <input type="checkbox"/> 4947(a)(1) or <input type="checkbox"/> 527			H(c) Group exemption number ▶		
J Website: ▶ WWW.AOPA.ORG					
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: 1939 M State of legal domicile: NJ		

Part I Summary

Activities & Governance	1	Briefly describe the organization's mission or most significant activities: <u>PROTECT YOUR FREEDOM TO FLY BY: ADVOCATING, EDUCATING, SUPPORTING ACTIVITIES THAT ENSURE GA FLIGHT AND SECURING SUFFICIENT RESOURCES TO ENSURE OUR SUCCESS.</u>		
	2	Check this box <input type="checkbox"/> if the organization discontinued its operations or disposed of more than 25% of its net assets.		
	3	Number of voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1a)	3	11.
	4	Number of independent voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1b)	4	10.
	5	Total number of individuals employed in calendar year 2015 (Part V, line 2a)	5	205.
	6	Total number of volunteers (estimate if necessary)	6	2,130.
	7a	Total unrelated business revenue from Part VIII, column (C), line 12	7a	7,956,726.
7b	Net unrelated business taxable income from Form 990-T, line 34	7b	-149,831.	
Revenue			Prior Year	Current Year
	8	Contributions and grants (Part VIII, line 1h)	1,868,238.	2,126,428.
	9	Program service revenue (Part VIII, line 2g)	15,442,998.	17,745,295.
	10	Investment income (Part VIII, column (A), lines 3, 4, and 7d)	1,841,696.	6,800,305.
	11	Other revenue (Part VIII, column (A), lines 5, 6d, 8c, 9c, 10c, and 11e)	19,616,364.	19,121,629.
	12	Total revenue - add lines 8 through 11 (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	38,769,296.	45,793,657.
Expenses	13	Grants and similar amounts paid (Part IX, column (A), lines 1-3)	97,900.	178,500.
	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)	18,578,701.	18,687,446.
	16a	Professional fundraising fees (Part IX, column (A), line 11e)	44,001.	54,758.
	16b	Total fundraising expenses (Part IX, column (D), line 25) ▶ 167,143.		
	17	Other expenses (Part IX, column (A), lines 11a-11d, 11f-24e)	23,312,030.	23,931,790.
	18	Total expenses. Add lines 13-17 (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	42,032,632.	42,852,494.
19	Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 18 from line 12	-3,263,336.	2,941,163.	
Net Assets or Fund Balances			Beginning of Current Year	End of Year
	20	Total assets (Part X, line 16)	101,223,691.	101,881,720.
	21	Total liabilities (Part X, line 26)	22,514,467.	24,944,478.
22	Net assets or fund balances. Subtract line 21 from line 20	78,709,224.	76,937,242.	

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Part II Signature Block

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

Sign Here	▶ Signature of officer	Date			
	▶ ERICA SACCOIA Type or print name and title	SVP - FINANCE			
Paid Preparer Use Only	Print/Type preparer's name	Preparer's signature	Date	Check <input type="checkbox"/> if self-employed	PTIN
	MARY TORRETTA	<i>Mary Torretta</i>	07/22/2016		P00847851
	Firm's name ▶ GRANT THORNTON	Firm's EIN ▶ 36-605558		Phone no. 703-847-7500	
Firm's address ▶ 2010 CORPORATE RIDGE, SUITE 400 MCLEAN, VA 22102					

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

For Paperwork Reduction Act Notice, see the separate instructions.

Form **990** (2015)



Department of Treasury
Internal Revenue Service
Ogden UT 84201

Notice	CP211A
Tax period	December 31, 2015
Notice date	April 11, 2016
Employer ID number	52-0636210
To contact us	Phone 1-877-829-5500 FAX 801-620-5555

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Important information about your December 31, 2015 Form 990

We approved your Form 8868, Application for Extension of Time To File an Exempt Organization Return

We approved the Form 8868 for your December 31, 2015 Form 990.
Your new due date is August 15, 2016.

What you need to do

File your December 31, 2015 Form 990 by August 15, 2016. We encourage you to use electronic filing—the fastest and easiest way to file.

Visit www.irs.gov/charities to learn about approved e-File providers, what types of returns can be filed electronically, and whether you are required to file electronically.

Additional information

- Visit www.irs.gov/cp211a.
- For tax forms, instructions, and publications, visit www.irs.gov or call 1-800-TAX-FORM (1-800-829-3676).
- Keep this notice for your records.

If you need assistance, please don't hesitate to contact us.

Part III Statement of Program Service Accomplishments

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part III Yes No

1 Briefly describe the organization's mission:

SEE SCHEDULE O.

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 \$ 37,886,687. including grants of \$ 178,500.) (Revenue \$ 17,745,295.)

SEE SCHEDULE O

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 ▶ 37,886,687.

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)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule A.</i>		X
2 Is the organization required to complete <i>Schedule B, Schedule of Contributors</i> (see instructions)?	X	
3 Did the organization engage in direct or indirect political campaign activities on behalf of or in opposition to candidates for public office? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part I.</i>		X
4 Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Did the organization engage in lobbying activities, or have a section 501(h) election in effect during the tax year? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part II.</i>		
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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part III.</i>	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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part I.</i>		X
7 Did the organization receive or hold a conservation easement, including easements to preserve open space, the environment, historic land areas, or historic structures? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part II.</i>		X
8 Did the organization maintain collections of works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part III.</i>		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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part IV.</i>		X
10 Did the organization, directly or through a related organization, hold assets in temporarily restricted endowments, permanent endowments, or quasi-endowments? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part V.</i>		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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VI.</i>	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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VII.</i>	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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VIII.</i>		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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part IX.</i>	X	
e Did the organization report an amount for other liabilities in Part X, line 25? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X.</i>	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)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X.</i>	X	
12a Did the organization obtain separate, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Parts XI and XII.</i>		X
b Was the organization included in consolidated, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? <i>If "Yes," and if the organization answered "No" to line 12a, then completing Schedule D, Parts XI and XII is optional.</i>	X	
13 Is the organization a school described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule E.</i>		X
14a Did the organization maintain an office, employees, or agents outside of the United States?		X
b Did the organization have aggregate revenues or expenses of more than \$10,000 from grantmaking, fundraising, business, investment, and program service activities outside the United States, or aggregate foreign investments valued at \$100,000 or more? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts I and IV.</i>	X	
15 Did the organization report on Part IX, column (A), line 3, more than \$5,000 of grants or other assistance to or for any foreign organization? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts II and IV.</i>		X
16 Did the organization report on Part IX, column (A), line 3, more than \$5,000 of aggregate grants or other assistance to or for foreign individuals? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts III and IV.</i>		X
17 Did the organization report a total of more than \$15,000 of expenses for professional fundraising services on Part IX, column (A), lines 6 and 11e? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part I</i> (see instructions).	X	
18 Did the organization report more than \$15,000 total of fundraising event gross income and contributions on Part VIII, lines 1c and 8a? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part II.</i>		X
19 Did the organization report more than \$15,000 of gross income from gaming activities on Part VIII, line 9a? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part III.</i>		X

Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules (continued)

		Yes	No
20a	Did the organization operate one or more hospital facilities? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule H.</i>		X
b	If "Yes" to line 20a, did the organization attach a copy of its audited financial statements to this return?		
21	Did the organization report more than \$5,000 of grants or other assistance to any domestic organization or domestic government on Part IX, column (A), line 1? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and II.</i>		X
22	Did the organization report more than \$5,000 of grants or other assistance to or for domestic individuals on Part IX, column (A), line 2? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and III.</i>	X	
23	Did the organization answer "Yes" to Part VII, Section A, line 3, 4, or 5 about compensation of the organization's current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, and highest compensated employees? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J.</i>	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? <i>If "Yes," answer lines 24b through 24d and complete Schedule K. If "No," go to line 25a.</i>		X
b	Did the organization invest any proceeds of tax-exempt bonds beyond a temporary period exception?		
c	Did the organization maintain an escrow account other than a refunding escrow at any time during the year to defease any tax-exempt bonds?		
d	Did the organization act as an "on behalf of" issuer for bonds outstanding at any time during the year?		
25a	Section 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations. Did the organization engage in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person during the year? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I.</i>		X
b	Is the organization aware that it engaged in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person in a prior year, and that the transaction has not been reported on any of the organization's prior Forms 990 or 990-EZ? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I.</i>		X
26	Did the organization report any amount on Part X, line 5, 6, or 22 for receivables from or payables to any current or former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, highest compensated employees, or disqualified persons? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part II.</i>		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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part III.</i>		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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV.</i>		X
b	A family member of a current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV.</i>		X
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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV.</i>	X	
29	Did the organization receive more than \$25,000 in non-cash contributions? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule M.</i>		X
30	Did the organization receive contributions of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets, or qualified conservation contributions? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule M.</i>		X
31	Did the organization liquidate, terminate, or dissolve and cease operations? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part I.</i>		X
32	Did the organization sell, exchange, dispose of, or transfer more than 25% of its net assets? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part II.</i>		X
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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part I.</i>		X
34	Was the organization related to any tax-exempt or taxable entity? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part II, III, or IV, and Part V, line 1.</i>	X	
35a	Did the organization have a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)?	X	
b	If "Yes" to line 35a, did the organization receive any payment from or engage in any transaction with a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2.</i>	X	
36	Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2.</i>		
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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part VI.</i>		X
38	Did the organization complete Schedule O and provide explanations in Schedule O for Part VI, lines 11b and 19? Note. All Form 990 filers are required to complete Schedule O.	X	

Part V Statements Regarding Other IRS Filings and Tax Compliance

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

Table with columns for question number, question text, and Yes/No response boxes. Includes questions 1a through 14b regarding IRS filings, backup withholding, employee reporting, foreign accounts, and charitable contributions.

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

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

Section A. Governing Body and Management

Table with 3 columns: Question, Yes, No. Rows include 1a (11), 1b (10), 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7a, 7b, 8, 8a, 8b, 9.

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

Table with 3 columns: Question, Yes, No. Rows include 10a, 10b, 11a, 11b, 12a, 12b, 12c, 13, 14, 15a, 15b, 16a, 16b.

Section C. Disclosure

- 17 List the states with which a copy of this Form 990 is required to be filed ATTACHMENT 2
18 Section 6104 requires an organization to make its Forms 1023 (or 1024 if applicable), 990, and 990-T (Section 501(c)(3)s only) available for public inspection. Indicate how you made these available. Check all that apply.
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:

ERICA SACCOIA, SVP-FINANCE 421 AVIATION WAY FREDERICK, MD 21701

301-695-2000

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

(A) Name and Title	(B) Average hours per week (list any hours for related organizations below dotted line)	(C) Position (do not check more than one box, unless person is both an officer and a director/trustee)						(D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W-2/1099-MISC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W-2/1099-MISC)	(F) Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations
		Individual trustee or director	Institutional trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former			
(1) WILLIAM C. TRIMBLE III CHAIRMAN	1.00	X		X				0.	0.	0.
(2) LUKE R. WIPPLER TRUSTEE	1.00	X						0.	0.	0.
(3) HERMAN NEEL HIPPI, JR. TRUSTEE	1.00	X						0.	0.	0.
(4) MATTHEW J. DESCH TRUSTEE	1.00	X						0.	0.	0.
(5) BURGESS H. HAMLET III TRUSTEE	1.00	X						0.	0.	0.
(6) DARRELL W. CRATE VICE CHAIRMAN	1.00	X		X				0.	0.	0.
(7) LAWRENCE D. BUHL III TRUSTEE	1.00	X						0.	0.	0.
(8) JAMES G. TUTHILL, JR. TRUSTEE	1.00	X						0.	0.	0.
(9) MARK BAKER PRESIDENT/CEO	40.00 10.00	X		X				930,410.	0.	30,051.
(10) AMANDA C. FARNSWORTH TRUSTEE	1.00	X						0.	0.	0.
(11) JAMES N. HAUSLEIN TREASURER	1.00	X		X				0.	0.	0.
(12) PAUL C. HEINTZ TRUSTEE (TERM ENDED SEPT 2015)	1.00	X						0.	0.	0.
(13) KENNETH M. MEAD EVP/GENERAL COUNSEL	40.00 10.00			X				504,253.	0.	22,626.
(14) ERICA J. SACCOIA SVP-FINANCE	40.00 10.00			X				317,734.	0.	18,387.

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

(A) Name and title	(B) Average hours per week (list any hours for related organizations below dotted line)	(C) Position (do not check more than one box, unless person is both an officer and a director/trustee)						(D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W-2/1099-MISC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W-2/1099-MISC)	(F) Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations
		Individual trustee or director	Institutional trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former			
(15) TIMOTHY J. FORTUNE CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER	40.00 10.00			X				449,868.	0.	25,927.
(16) MELISSA K. RUDINGER VP GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS	40.00					X		208,250.	0.	22,410.
(17) THOMAS HAINES SVP - MEDIA	40.00					X		280,661.	0.	26,635.
(18) KATIE PRIBYL SVP-COMMUNICATIONS	40.00					X		246,452.	0.	20,620.
(19) JAMES COON SVP-GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS	40.00					X		408,271.	0.	22,492.
(20) CRAIG SPENCE VP-OPERATIONS/INTN'L AFFAIRS	40.00					X		211,322.	0.	20,254.
1b Sub-total								1,752,397.	0.	71,064.
c Total from continuation sheets to Part VII, Section A								1,804,824.	0.	138,338.
d Total (add lines 1b and 1c)								3,557,221.	0.	209,402.

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 ▶ 36

	Yes	No
3 Did the organization list any former officer, director, or trustee, key employee, or highest compensated employee on line 1a? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual</i>		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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual</i>	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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such person</i>		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
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2 Total number of independent contractors (including but not limited to those listed above) who received more than \$100,000 in compensation from the organization ▶ 22

Part VIII Statement of Revenue

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

				(A) Total revenue	(B) Related or exempt function revenue	(C) Unrelated business revenue	(D) Revenue excluded from tax under sections 512-514	
Contributions, Gifts, Grants and Other Similar Amounts	1a Federated campaigns	1a						
	b Membership dues	1b						
	c Fundraising events	1c						
	d Related organizations	1d	1,845,759.					
	e Government grants (contributions) . .	1e						
	f All other contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts not included above .	1f	280,669.					
	g Noncash contributions included in lines 1a-1f: \$							
	h Total. Add lines 1a-1f ▶			2,126,428.				
Program Service Revenue	2a MEMBERSHIP DUES	Business Code	900099	17,110,962.	17,110,962.			
	b AIRPORT DIRECTORY & DATA		900099	245,335.	245,335.			
	c AOPA FLY-IN'S		900099	388,998.	388,998.			
	d _____							
	e _____							
	f All other program service revenue							
	g Total. Add lines 2a-2f ▶			17,745,295.				
	Other Revenue	3 Investment income (including dividends, interest, and other similar amounts). ▶			372,110.			372,110.
4 Income from investment of tax-exempt bond proceeds . ▶				0.				
5 Royalties ▶				5,989,669.			5,989,669.	
6a Gross rents		(i) Real	330,970.					
		(ii) Personal						
		b Less: rental expenses		519,730.				
		c Rental income or (loss)		-188,760.				
d Net rental income or (loss) ▶					-188,760.		-188,760.	
7a Gross amount from sales of assets other than inventory		(i) Securities	56,730,104.					
		(ii) Other						
		b Less: cost or other basis and sales expenses		50,301,909.				
		c Gain or (loss)		6,428,195.				
d Net gain or (loss) ▶					6,428,195.		6,428,195.	
8a Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ _____ of contributions reported on line 1c). See Part IV, line 18 a								
		b Less: direct expenses b						
	c Net income or (loss) from fundraising events. ▶				0.			
9a Gross income from gaming activities. See Part IV, line 19 a								
	b Less: direct expenses b							
	c Net income or (loss) from gaming activities. ▶				0.			
10a Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances a			11,809.					
	b Less: cost of goods sold b							
	c Net income or (loss) from sales of inventory. ▶			11,809.	11,702.	107.		
Miscellaneous Revenue			Business Code					
11a COST SHARING		900099	5,352,254.				5,352,254.	
	b ADVERTISING INCOME		511190	7,956,619.		7,956,619.		
			900099	38.			38.	
	d All other revenue							
e Total. Add lines 11a-11d ▶			13,308,911.					
12 Total revenue. See instructions. ▶			45,793,657.	17,756,997.	7,956,726.	17,953,506.		

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 X

Do not include amounts reported on lines 6b, 7b, 8b, 9b, and 10b of Part VIII.	(A) Total expenses	(B) Program service expenses	(C) Management and general expenses	(D) Fundraising expenses
1 Grants and other assistance to domestic organizations and domestic governments. See Part IV, line 21	0.			
2 Grants and other assistance to domestic individuals. See Part IV, line 22	178,500.	178,500.		
3 Grants and other assistance to foreign organizations, foreign governments, and foreign individuals. See Part IV, lines 15 and 16	0.			
4 Benefits paid to or for members	0.			
5 Compensation of current officers, directors, trustees, and key employees	3,766,623.	3,638,898.	127,725.	
6 Compensation not included above, to disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)) and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B)	0.			
7 Other salaries and wages	11,655,034.	10,184,632.	1,470,342.	60.
8 Pension plan accruals and contributions (include section 401(k) and 403(b) employer contributions)	1,201,463.	1,201,463.		
9 Other employee benefits	465,378.	446,824.	18,554.	
10 Payroll taxes	1,598,948.	1,242,325.	356,612.	11.
11 Fees for services (non-employees):				
a Management	0.			
b Legal	315,910.	261,891.	54,019.	
c Accounting	289,429.	270,471.	18,958.	
d Lobbying	93,750.	93,750.		
e Professional fundraising services. See Part IV, line 17.	54,758.			54,758.
f Investment management fees	303,472.	303,472.		
g Other. (If line 11g amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A) amount, list line 11g expenses on Schedule O.)	4,109,641.	4,009,676.	99,965.	
12 Advertising and promotion	818,423.	818,226.	197.	
13 Office expenses	1,005,358.	651,391.	353,967.	
14 Information technology	1,543,960.	689,552.	854,408.	
15 Royalties	0.			
16 Occupancy	686,527.	97,359.	589,168.	
17 Travel	1,836,896.	1,800,840.	36,056.	
18 Payments of travel or entertainment expenses for any federal, state, or local public officials	0.			
19 Conferences, conventions, and meetings	1,031,887.	1,029,359.	2,528.	
20 Interest	201,515.	183,210.	18,305.	
21 Payments to affiliates	0.			
22 Depreciation, depletion, and amortization	2,073,793.	1,603,236.	470,557.	
23 Insurance	380,941.	349,868.	31,073.	
24 Other expenses. Itemize expenses not covered above (List miscellaneous expenses in line 24e. If line 24e amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A) amount, list line 24e expenses on Schedule O.)				
a <u>PRINT/MAIL/POSTAGE/PREMIUM</u>	3,490,313.	3,358,280.	19,719.	112,314.
b <u>MAGAZINE PRODUCTION</u>	1,580,424.	1,580,424.		
c <u>RENTALS</u>	862,695.	731,584.	131,111.	
d <u>DUES, LICENSES & SUBSCRIPTIO</u>	754,818.	737,810.	17,008.	
e All other expenses	2,552,038.	2,423,646.	128,392.	
25 Total functional expenses. Add lines 1 through 24e	42,852,494.	37,886,687.	4,798,664.	167,143.
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)	0.			

Part X Balance Sheet

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

		(A) Beginning of year		(B) End of year
Assets	1 Cash - non-interest-bearing	3,012,475.	1	1,277,702.
	2 Savings and temporary cash investments	0.	2	0.
	3 Pledges and grants receivable, net	0.	3	0.
	4 Accounts receivable, net	2,096,580.	4	1,551,028.
	5 Loans and other receivables from current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, and highest compensated employees. Complete Part II of Schedule L	0.	5	0.
	6 Loans and other receivables from other disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)), persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B), and contributing employers and sponsoring organizations of section 501(c)(9) voluntary employees' beneficiary organizations (see instructions). Complete Part II of Schedule L	0.	6	0.
	7 Notes and loans receivable, net	0.	7	0.
	8 Inventories for sale or use	0.	8	0.
	9 Prepaid expenses and deferred charges	1,497,787.	9	1,437,801.
	10a Land, buildings, and equipment: cost or other basis. Complete Part VI of Schedule D	10a 29,723,332.		
	b Less: accumulated depreciation	10b 16,087,150.	10,709,209.	10c 13,636,182.
	11 Investments - publicly traded securities	45,945,630.	11	25,720,197.
	12 Investments - other securities. See Part IV, line 11	23,318,188.	12	47,199,416.
	13 Investments - program-related. See Part IV, line 11	0.	13	0.
	14 Intangible assets	5,280,835.	14	5,280,835.
	15 Other assets. See Part IV, line 11	9,362,987.	15	5,778,559.
16 Total assets. Add lines 1 through 15 (must equal line 34)	101,223,691.	16	101,881,720.	
Liabilities	17 Accounts payable and accrued expenses	3,648,767.	17	3,681,774.
	18 Grants payable	0.	18	0.
	19 Deferred revenue	13,593,259.	19	13,624,098.
	20 Tax-exempt bond liabilities	0.	20	0.
	21 Escrow or custodial account liability. Complete Part IV of Schedule D	0.	21	0.
	22 Loans and other payables to current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, highest compensated employees, and disqualified persons. Complete Part II of Schedule L	0.	22	0.
	23 Secured mortgages and notes payable to unrelated third parties	3,261,948.	23	5,612,807.
	24 Unsecured notes and loans payable to unrelated third parties	0.	24	0.
	25 Other liabilities (including federal income tax, payables to related third parties, and other liabilities not included on lines 17-24). Complete Part X of Schedule D	2,010,493.	25	2,025,799.
	26 Total liabilities. Add lines 17 through 25	22,514,467.	26	24,944,478.
Net Assets or Fund Balances	Organizations that follow SFAS 117 (ASC 958), check here <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 27 through 29, and lines 33 and 34.			
	27 Unrestricted net assets	78,709,224.	27	76,937,242.
	28 Temporarily restricted net assets	0.	28	0.
	29 Permanently restricted net assets	0.	29	0.
	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	78,709,224.	33	76,937,242.
34 Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances	101,223,691.	34	101,881,720.	

Part XI Reconciliation of Net Assets

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

1	Total revenue (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	1	45,793,657.
2	Total expenses (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	2	42,852,494.
3	Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 2 from line 1	3	2,941,163.
4	Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (must equal Part X, line 33, column (A))	4	78,709,224.
5	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	5	-7,413,145.
6	Donated services and use of facilities	6	0.
7	Investment expenses	7	0.
8	Prior period adjustments	8	0.
9	Other changes in net assets or fund balances (explain in Schedule O)	9	2,700,000.
10	Net assets or fund balances at end of year. Combine lines 3 through 9 (must equal Part X, line 33, column (B))	10	76,937,242.

Part XII Financial Statements and Reporting

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

- 1** Accounting method used to prepare the Form 990: Cash Accrual Other _____
 If the organization changed its method of accounting from a prior year or checked "Other," explain in Schedule O.
- 2a** Were the organization's financial statements compiled or reviewed by an independent accountant?
 If "Yes," check a box below to indicate whether the financial statements for the year were compiled or reviewed on a separate basis, consolidated basis, or both:
 Separate basis Consolidated basis Both consolidated and separate basis
- b** Were the organization's financial statements audited by an independent accountant?
 If "Yes," check a box below to indicate whether the financial statements for the year were audited on a separate basis, consolidated basis, or both:
 Separate basis Consolidated basis Both consolidated and separate basis
- c** If "Yes" to line 2a or 2b, does the organization have a committee that assumes responsibility for oversight of the audit, review, or compilation of its financial statements and selection of an independent accountant? If the organization changed either its oversight process or selection process during the tax year, explain in Schedule O.
- 3a** As a result of a federal award, was the organization required to undergo an audit or audits as set forth in the Single Audit Act and OMB Circular A-133?
- 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.

	Yes	No
2a		X
2b	X	
2c	X	
3a		X
3b		

Schedule of Contributors

2015

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

Name of the organization AIRCRAFT OWNERS & PILOTS ASSOCIATION	Employer identification number 52-0636210
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Organization type (check one):

Filers of:

Section:

- Form 990 or 990-EZ 501(c)(4) (enter number) organization
- 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust **not** treated as a private foundation
- 527 political organization
- Form 990-PF 501(c)(3) exempt private foundation
- 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust treated as a private foundation
- 501(c)(3) taxable private foundation

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

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

General Rule

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

Special Rules

- For an organization described in section 501(c)(3) filing Form 990 or 990-EZ that met the 33 1/3 % support test of the regulations under sections 509(a)(1) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi), that checked Schedule A (Form 990 or 990-EZ), Part II, line 13, 16a, or 16b, and that received from any one contributor, during the year, total contributions of the greater of **(1)** \$5,000 or **(2)** 2% of the amount on (i) Form 990, Part VIII, line 1h, or (ii) Form 990-EZ, line 1. Complete Parts I and II.
- For an organization described in section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) filing Form 990 or 990-EZ that received from any one contributor, during the year, total contributions of more than \$1,000 *exclusively* for religious, charitable, scientific, literary, or educational purposes, or for the prevention of cruelty to children or animals. Complete Parts I, II, and III.
- For an organization described in section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) filing Form 990 or 990-EZ that received from any one contributor, during the year, contributions *exclusively* for religious, charitable, etc., purposes, but no such contributions totaled more than \$1,000. If this box is checked, enter here the total contributions that were received during the year for an *exclusively* religious, charitable, etc., purpose. Do not complete any of the parts unless the **General Rule** applies to this organization because it received *nonexclusively* religious, charitable, etc., contributions totaling \$5,000 or more during the year ▶ \$ _____

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

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

(a) No.	(b) Name, address, and ZIP + 4	(c) Total contributions	(d) Type of contribution
1	_____	\$ 1,845,759.	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.)
_____	_____	\$ _____	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
_____	_____ _____ _____	\$ _____	_____

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

SCHEDULE C
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Political Campaign and Lobbying Activities

OMB No. 1545-0047

2015

Open to Public Inspection

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

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

▶ **Complete if the organization is described below.** ▶ **Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ.**
▶ **Information about Schedule C (Form 990 or 990-EZ) and its instructions is at www.irs.gov/form990.**

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

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

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

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

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

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

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Part I-A Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c) or is a section 527 organization.

- 1 Provide a description of the organization's direct and indirect political campaign activities in Part IV.
- 2 Political expenditures ▶ \$ _____
- 3 Volunteer hours _____

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

- 1 Enter the amount of any excise tax incurred by the organization under section 4955 ▶ \$ _____
- 2 Enter the amount of any excise tax incurred by organization managers under section 4955 ▶ \$ _____
- 3 If the organization incurred a section 4955 tax, did it file Form 4720 for this year? Yes No
- 4a Was a correction made? Yes No
- b If "Yes," describe in Part IV.

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

- 1 Enter the amount directly expended by the filing organization for section 527 exempt function activities ▶ \$ _____
- 2 Enter the amount of the filing organization's funds contributed to other organizations for section 527 exempt function activities ▶ \$ _____
- 3 Total exempt function expenditures. Add lines 1 and 2. Enter here and on Form 1120-POL, line 17b ▶ \$ _____
- 4 Did the filing organization file **Form 1120-POL** for this year? Yes No
- 5 Enter the names, addresses and employer identification number (EIN) of all section 527 political organizations to which the filing organization made payments. For each organization listed, enter the amount paid from the filing organization's funds. Also enter the amount of political contributions received that were promptly and directly delivered to a separate political organization, such as a separate segregated fund or a political action committee (PAC). If additional space is needed, provide information in Part IV.

(a) Name	(b) Address	(c) EIN	(d) Amount paid from filing organization's funds. If none, enter -0-.	(e) Amount of political contributions received and promptly and directly delivered to a separate political organization. If none, enter -0-.
(1)				
(2)				
(3)				
(4)				
(5)				
(6)				

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Schedule C (Form 990 or 990-EZ) 2015

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

- A** Check if the filing organization belongs to an affiliated group (and list in Part IV each affiliated group member's name, address, EIN, expenses, and share of excess lobbying expenditures).
- B** Check if the filing organization checked box A and "limited control" provisions apply.

Limits on Lobbying Expenditures (The term "expenditures" means amounts paid or incurred.)	(a) Filing organization's totals	(b) Affiliated group totals												
1a Total lobbying expenditures to influence public opinion (grass roots lobbying)														
b Total lobbying expenditures to influence a legislative body (direct lobbying)														
c Total lobbying expenditures (add lines 1a and 1b)														
d Other exempt purpose expenditures														
e Total exempt purpose expenditures (add lines 1c and 1d)														
f Lobbying nontaxable amount. Enter the amount from the following table in both columns.														
<table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <thead> <tr> <th style="width: 30%;">If the amount on line 1e, column (a) or (b) is:</th> <th style="width: 70%;">The lobbying nontaxable amount is:</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Not over \$500,000</td> <td>20% of the amount on line 1e.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Over \$500,000 but not over \$1,000,000</td> <td>\$100,000 plus 15% of the excess over \$500,000.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Over \$1,000,000 but not over \$1,500,000</td> <td>\$175,000 plus 10% of the excess over \$1,000,000.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Over \$1,500,000 but not over \$17,000,000</td> <td>\$225,000 plus 5% of the excess over \$1,500,000.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Over \$17,000,000</td> <td>\$1,000,000.</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	If the amount on line 1e, column (a) or (b) is:	The lobbying nontaxable amount is:	Not over \$500,000	20% of the amount on line 1e.	Over \$500,000 but not over \$1,000,000	\$100,000 plus 15% of the excess over \$500,000.	Over \$1,000,000 but not over \$1,500,000	\$175,000 plus 10% of the excess over \$1,000,000.	Over \$1,500,000 but not over \$17,000,000	\$225,000 plus 5% of the excess over \$1,500,000.	Over \$17,000,000	\$1,000,000.		
If the amount on line 1e, column (a) or (b) is:	The lobbying nontaxable amount is:													
Not over \$500,000	20% of the amount on line 1e.													
Over \$500,000 but not over \$1,000,000	\$100,000 plus 15% of the excess over \$500,000.													
Over \$1,000,000 but not over \$1,500,000	\$175,000 plus 10% of the excess over \$1,000,000.													
Over \$1,500,000 but not over \$17,000,000	\$225,000 plus 5% of the excess over \$1,500,000.													
Over \$17,000,000	\$1,000,000.													
g Grassroots nontaxable amount (enter 25% of line 1f)														
h Subtract line 1g from line 1a. If zero or less, enter -0-														
i Subtract line 1f from line 1c. If zero or less, enter -0-														
j If there is an amount other than zero on either line 1h or line 1i, did the organization file Form 4720 reporting section 4911 tax for this year?		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No												

4-Year Averaging Period Under section 501(h)

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

Lobbying Expenditures During 4-Year Averaging Period					
Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in)	(a) 2012	(b) 2013	(c) 2014	(d) 2015	(e) Total
2a Lobbying nontaxable amount					
b Lobbying ceiling amount (150% of line 2a, column (e))					
c Total lobbying expenditures					
d Grassroots nontaxable amount					
e Grassroots ceiling amount (150% of line 2d, column (e))					
f Grassroots lobbying expenditures					

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

Table with 3 main columns: (a) Yes/No, (b) Amount. Rows include: 1 During the year, did the filing organization attempt to influence foreign, national, state or local legislation...; 2a Did the activities in line 1 cause the organization to be not described in section 501(c)(3)?; 2b If "Yes," enter the amount of any tax incurred under section 4912; 2c If "Yes," enter the amount of any tax incurred by organization managers under section 4912; 2d If the filing organization incurred a section 4912 tax, did it file Form 4720 for this year?

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

Table with 4 columns: Question, 1, Yes, No. Rows include: 1 Were substantially all (90% or more) dues received nondeductible by members?; 2 Did the organization make only in-house lobbying expenditures of \$2,000 or less?; 3 Did the organization agree to carry over lobbying and political expenditures from the prior year?

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

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

Part IV Supplemental Information

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

Blank lines for providing supplemental information as required by Part IV.

Part IV Supplemental Information *(continued)*

SCHEDULE D (Form 990)

Supplemental Financial Statements

OMB No. 1545-0047

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

2015

Attach to Form 990.

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Name of the organization

Employer identification number

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52-0636210

Part I Organizations Maintaining Donor Advised Funds or Other Similar Funds or Accounts.

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

Table with 2 columns: (a) Donor advised funds, (b) Funds and other accounts. Rows include: 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?, 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?

Part II Conservation Easements.

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

Table with 2 columns: Held at the End of the Tax Year. Rows include: 1 Purpose(s) of conservation easements held by the organization (check all that apply), 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. (2a Total number of conservation easements, 2b Total acreage restricted by conservation easements, 2c Number of conservation easements on a certified historic structure included in (a), 2d Number of conservation easements included in (c) acquired after 8/17/06, and not on a historic structure listed in the National Register), 3 Number of conservation easements modified, transferred, released, extinguished, or terminated by the organization during the tax year, 4 Number of states where property subject to conservation easement is located, 5 Does the organization have a written policy regarding the periodic monitoring, inspection, handling of violations, and enforcement of the conservation easements it holds?, 6 Staff and volunteer hours devoted to monitoring, inspecting, handling of violations, and enforcing conservation easements during the year, 7 Amount of expenses incurred in monitoring, inspecting, handling of violations, and enforcing conservation easements during the year, 8 Does each conservation easement reported on line 2(d) above satisfy the requirements of section 170(h)(4)(B)(i) and section 170(h)(4)(B)(ii)?, 9 In Part XIII, describe how the organization reports conservation easements in its revenue and expense statement, and balance sheet, and include, if applicable, the text of the footnote to the organization's financial statements that describes the organization's accounting for conservation easements.

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

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

Table with 2 columns: Revenue, Assets. Rows include: 1a If the organization elected, as permitted under SFAS 116 (ASC 958), not to report in its revenue statement and balance sheet works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets held for public exhibition, education, or research in furtherance of public service, provide, in Part XIII, the text of the footnote to its financial statements that describes these items. b If the organization elected, as permitted under SFAS 116 (ASC 958), to report in its revenue statement and balance sheet works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets held for public exhibition, education, or research in furtherance of public service, provide the following amounts relating to these items: (i) Revenue included in 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 in Form 990, Part VIII, line 1, b Assets included in Form 990, Part X.

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

- 3** Using the organization's acquisition, accession, and other records, check any of the following that are a significant use of its collection items (check all that apply):
- a** Public exhibition
 - b** Scholarly research
 - c** Preservation for future generations
 - d** Loan or exchange programs
 - e** Other _____
- 4** Provide a description of the organization's collections and explain how they further the organization's exempt purpose in Part XIII.
- 5** During the year, did the organization solicit or receive donations of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets to be sold to raise funds rather than to be maintained as part of the organization's collection? Yes No

Part IV Escrow and Custodial Arrangements.

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

- 1a** Is the organization an agent, trustee, custodian or other intermediary for contributions or other assets not included on Form 990, Part X? Yes No
- b** If "Yes," explain the arrangement in Part XIII and complete the following table:
- | | Amount |
|--|-----------|
| c Beginning balance | 1c |
| d Additions during the year | 1d |
| e Distributions during the year | 1e |
| f Ending balance | 1f |
- 2a** Did the organization include an amount on Form 990, Part X, line 21, for escrow or custodial account liability? Yes No
- b** If "Yes," explain the arrangement in Part XIII. Check here if the explanation has been provided on Part XIII

Part V Endowment Funds.

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

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

- 2** Provide the estimated percentage of the current year end balance (line 1g, column (a)) held as:
- a** Board designated or quasi-endowment _____%
 - b** Permanent endowment _____%
 - c** Temporarily restricted endowment _____%
- The percentages on lines 2a, 2b, and 2c should equal 100%.

- 3a** Are there endowment funds not in the possession of the organization that are held and administered for the organization by:
- | | Yes | No |
|---|---------------|----|
| (i) unrelated organizations | 3a(i) | |
| (ii) related organizations | 3a(ii) | |
| b If "Yes" on line 3a(ii), are the related organizations listed as required on Schedule R? | 3b | |

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

Part VI Land, Buildings, and Equipment.

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

Description of property	(a) Cost or other basis (investment)	(b) Cost or other basis (other)	(c) Accumulated depreciation	(d) Book value
1a Land	640,871.	584,609.		1,225,480.
b Buildings	4,479,440.	6,902,786.	7,427,229.	3,954,997.
c Leasehold improvements				
d Equipment	21,459.	1,910,086.	1,436,194.	495,351.
e Other		15,184,081.	7,223,727.	7,960,354.
Total. Add lines 1a through 1e. (Column (d) must equal Form 990, Part X, column (B), line 10c.)				13,636,182.

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) ALTERNATIVE INVESTMENTS	47,199,416.	FMV
(B)		
(C)		
(D)		
(E)		
(F)		
(G)		
(H)		
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col. (B) line 12.) ▶	47,199,416.	

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. (Column (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) INVESTMENT IN SUB (NET)	5,779,755.
(2) REAL ESTATE INVESTMENT	-7,884.
(3) DEFERRED TAXES	6,688.
(4)	
(5)	
(6)	
(7)	
(8)	
(9)	
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col. (B) line 15.) ▶	5,778,559.

Part X Other Liabilities.

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

1. (a) Description of liability	(b) Book value
(1) Federal income taxes	
(2) AIRCRAFT RESERVES	43,601.
(3) DEFERRED RENT LIABILITY	188,263.
(4) LIFETIME MEMBERSHIP LIABILITY	1,793,935.
(5)	
(6)	
(7)	
(8)	
(9)	
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col. (B) line 25.) ▶	2,025,799.

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

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

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

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

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

Part XIII Supplemental Information.

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

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Part XIII Supplemental Information *(continued)*

FIN 48 FOOTNOTE - SCHEDULE D, PART X, LINE 2

THE ASSOCIATION FOLLOWS GUIDANCE THAT CLARIFIES THE ACCOUNTING FOR UNCERTAINTY IN TAX POSITIONS TAKEN OR EXPECTED TO BE TAKEN IN A TAX RETURN, INCLUDING ISSUES RELATING TO FINANCIAL STATEMENT RECOGNITION AND MEASUREMENT. THIS GUIDANCE PROVIDES THAT THE TAX EFFECTS FROM AN UNCERTAIN TAX POSITION CAN ONLY BE RECOGNIZED IN THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS IF THE POSITION IS "MORE-LIKELY-THAN-NOT" TO BE SUSTAINED IF THE POSITION WERE TO BE CHALLENGED BY A TAXING AUTHORITY. THE ASSESSMENT OF THE TAX POSITION IS BASED SOLELY ON THE TECHNICAL MERITS OF THE POSITION, WITHOUT REGARD TO THE LIKEIHOOD THAT THE TAX POSITION MAY BE CHALLENGED.

**SCHEDULE F
(Form 990)**

Statement of Activities Outside the United States

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Internal Revenue Service

- ▶ Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 14b, 15, or 16.
- ▶ Attach to Form 990.
- ▶ Information about Schedule F (Form 990) and its instructions is at www.irs.gov/form990.

Name of the organization

Employer identification number

AIRCRAFT OWNERS & PILOTS ASSOCIATION

52-0636210

Part I **General Information on Activities Outside the United States.** Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 14b.

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

2 For grantmakers. Describe in Part V the organization's procedures for monitoring the use of its grants and other assistance outside the United States.

3 Activities per Region. (The following Part I, line 3 table can be duplicated if additional space is needed.)

(a) Region	(b) Number of offices in the region	(c) Number of employees, agents, and independent contractors in region	(d) Activities conducted in region (by type) (e.g., fundraising, program services, investments, grants to recipients located in the region)	(e) If activity listed in (d) is a program service, describe specific type of service(s) in region	(f) Total expenditures for and investments in region
(1) CENTRAL AMERICA/CARIBBEAN			INVESTMENTS		32,429,020.
(2) EUROPE			INVESTMENTS		2,224,976.
(3)					
(4)					
(5)					
(6)					
(7)					
(8)					
(9)					
(10)					
(11)					
(12)					
(13)					
(14)					
(15)					
(16)					
(17)					
3a Sub-total					34,653,996.
b Total from continuation sheets to Part I					
c Totals (add lines 3a and 3b)					34,653,996.

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

1	(a) Name of organization	(b) IRS code section and EIN (if applicable)	(c) Region	(d) Purpose of grant	(e) Amount of cash grant	(f) Manner of cash disbursement	(g) Amount of non-cash assistance	(h) Description of non-cash assistance	(i) Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other)
(1)									
(2)									
(3)									
(4)									
(5)									
(6)									
(7)									
(8)									
(9)									
(10)									
(11)									
(12)									
(13)									
(14)									
(15)									
(16)									

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

3 Enter total number of other organizations or entities. ▶ _____

Part III **Grants and Other Assistance to Individuals Outside the United States.** Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 16.
Part III can be duplicated if additional space is needed.

(a) Type of grant or assistance	(b) Region	(c) Number of recipients	(d) Amount of cash grant	(e) Manner of cash disbursement	(f) Amount of non-cash assistance	(g) Description of non-cash assistance	(h) Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other)
(1)							
(2)							
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(15)							
(16)							
(17)							
(18)							

Part IV Foreign Forms

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

Part V Supplemental Information

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

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

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Supplemental Information Regarding Fundraising or Gaming Activities

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

▶ Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ.

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

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2015

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Inspection**

Name of the organization

AIRCRAFT OWNERS & PILOTS ASSOCIATION

Employer identification number

52-0636210

Part I

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

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

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

2a Did the organization have a written or oral agreement with any individual (including officers, directors, trustees or key employees listed in Form 990, Part VII) or entity in connection with professional fundraising services? **Yes** **No**

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

(i) Name and address of individual or entity (fundraiser)	(ii) Activity	(iii) Did fundraiser have custody or control of contributions?		(iv) Gross receipts from activity	(v) Amount paid to (or retained by) fundraiser listed in col. (i)	(vi) Amount paid to (or retained by) organization
		Yes	No			
1 ALLEGIANCE CREATIVE GROUP	ADVISOR		X		54,758.	
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Total					54,758.	

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

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

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

		(a) Event #1	(b) Event #2	(c) Other events	(d) Total events
		(event type)	(event type)	(total number)	(add col. (a) through col. (c))
Revenue	1 Gross receipts				
	2 Less: Contributions				
	3 Gross income (line 1 minus line 2)				
Direct Expenses	4 Cash prizes				
	5 Noncash prizes				
	6 Rent/facility costs				
	7 Food and beverages				
	8 Entertainment				
	9 Other direct expenses				
	10 Direct expense summary. Add lines 4 through 9 in column (d) ▶				
	11 Net income summary. Subtract line 10 from line 3, column (d) ▶				

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 ▶ _____

- 15 a 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 explanation required by Part I, line 2b, columns (iii) and (v), and Part III, lines 9, 9b, 10b, 15b, 15c, 16, and 17b, as applicable. Also provide any additional information (see instructions).

PART I, LINE 2(B)(1) ALLEGIANCE CREATIVE GROUP

ALLEGIANCE CREATIVE GROUP WAS NOT A FUNDRAISER FOR AOPA. ALLEGIANCE

CREATIVE GROUP WAS HIRED TO PROVIDE CONSULTING ADVICE PERTAINING TO AOPA

MEMBERSHIP NOTICES.

**SCHEDULE I
(Form 990)**

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

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Internal Revenue Service

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

▶ Attach to Form 990.

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

Name of the organization

AIRCRAFT OWNERS & PILOTS ASSOCIATION

Employer identification number

52-0636210

Part I General Information on Grants and Assistance

- Does the organization maintain records to substantiate the amount of the grants or assistance, the grantees' eligibility for the grants or assistance, and the selection criteria used to award the grants or assistance? Yes No
- Describe in Part IV the organization's procedures for monitoring the use of grant funds in the United States.

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

1 (a) Name and address of organization or government	(b) EIN	(c) IRC section if applicable	(d) Amount of cash grant	(e) Amount of non-cash assistance	(f) Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other)	(g) Description of non-cash assistance	(h) Purpose of grant or assistance
(1)							
(2)							
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(5)							
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(9)							
(10)							
(11)							
(12)							

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

3 Enter total number of other organizations listed in the line 1 table ▶ _____

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

(a) Type of grant or assistance	(b) Number of recipients	(c) Amount of cash grant	(d) Amount of non-cash assistance	(e) Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other)	(f) Description of non-cash assistance
1 FLIGHT TRAINING SCHOLARSHIPS	25.	68,500.			
2 AV8RS SCHOLARSHIPS	5.	110,000.			
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Part IV Supplemental Information. Complete this part to provide the information required in Part I, line 2, Part III, column (b), and any other additional information.

PART I, LINE 2

FLIGHT TRAINING SCHOLARSHIPS: THE SCHOLARSHIP RULES REQUIRE THE

RECIPIENT(S) TO BE:

(A)U.S. CITIZEN

(B)AT LEAST 16 YEARS OF AGE

(C)CURRENT AOPA MEMBER

(D)HOLD A CURRENT FAA STUDENT PILOT CERTIFICATE AND NOT HAVE COMPLETED

THE FAA PRACTICAL TEST/CHECKRIDE.

THE MONEY IS TO BE USED FOR FLIGHT TRAINING EXPENSES AND IF THE MONEY IS

NOT USED FOR THAT PURPOSE TO BE RETURNED TO AOPA.

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

(a) Type of grant or assistance	(b) Number of recipients	(c) Amount of cash grant	(d) Amount of non-cash assistance	(e) Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other)	(f) Description of non-cash assistance
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Part IV Supplemental Information. Complete this part to provide the information required in Part I, line 2, Part III, column (b), and any other additional information.

AV8RS SCHOLARSHIPS: THE APPLICANTS MUST MEET THE FOLLOWING CRITERIA: 1) BE

CURRENT AOPA AV8R MEMBER

2) U.S. CITIZEN

3) PARENT APPROVAL IF UNDER 18 YEARS OF AGE

4) STUDENTS BE IN GOOD STANDING WITH THEIR RESPECTIVE SCHOOLS

5) ALL AWARDS WILL BE SENT DIRECTLY TO APPROVED SCHOOLS

6) ALL CURRENT MEMBERS OF AOPA AV8RS PURSUING AN AVIATION RELATED GOAL

INCLUDING:

A. PRIMARY PILOT'S CERTIFICATE

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

(a) Type of grant or assistance	(b) Number of recipients	(c) Amount of cash grant	(d) Amount of non-cash assistance	(e) Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other)	(f) Description of non-cash assistance
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Part IV Supplemental Information. Complete this part to provide the information required in Part I, line 2, Part III, column (b), and any other additional information.

B. STUDY IN AN AVIATION/AREOSPACE FIELD THROUGH AN ACCREDITED AVIATION

PROGRAM AT A COLLEGE/UNIVERSITY, TECHNICAL SCHOOL OR AVIATION ACADEMY. C.

ATTENDANCE AT AN AVIATION OR AEROSPACE CAMP.

**SCHEDULE J
(Form 990)**

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Name of the organization

AIRCRAFT OWNERS & PILOTS ASSOCIATION

Compensation Information

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

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

▶ Attach to Form 990.

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

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Part I Questions Regarding Compensation

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

- | | |
|---|--|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> First-class or charter travel | <input type="checkbox"/> Housing allowance or residence for personal use |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Travel for companions | <input type="checkbox"/> Payments for business use of personal residence |
| <input checked="" 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 (e.g., 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 in 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Written employment contract |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Independent compensation consultant | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Compensation survey or study |
| <input checked="" 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" to line 5a or 5b, describe in Part III.

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

- a** The organization?
- b** Any related organization?
- If "Yes" on line 6a or 6b, describe in Part III.

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

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

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

	Yes	No
1a	X	
2	X	
4a		X
4b		X
4c		X
5a		X
5b		X
6a		X
6b		X
7	X	
8	X	
9	X	

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Schedule J (Form 990) 2015

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

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

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

(A) Name and Title		(B) Breakdown of W-2 and/or 1099-MISC compensation			(C) Retirement and other deferred compensation	(D) Nontaxable benefits	(E) Total of columns (B)(i)-(D)	(F) Compensation in column (B) reported as deferred on prior Form 990
		(i) Base compensation	(ii) Bonus & incentive compensation	(iii) Other reportable compensation				
1 KENNETH M. MEAD EVP/GENERAL COUNSEL	(i)	385,289.	105,511.	13,453.	20,008.	2,618.	526,879.	
	(ii)	0.	0.	0.				
2 ERICA J. SACCOIA SVP-FINANCE	(i)	200,423.	38,911.	78,400.	16,601.	1,786.	336,121.	
	(ii)	0.	0.	0.				
3 MELISSA K. RUDINGER VP GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS	(i)	182,156.	16,138.	9,956.	14,677.	7,733.	230,660.	
	(ii)	0.	0.	0.				
4 TIMOTHY J. FORTUNE CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER	(i)	272,045.	73,539.	104,284.	20,008.	5,919.	475,795.	
	(ii)	0.	0.	0.				
5 THOMAS HAINES SVP - MEDIA	(i)	218,619.	50,711.	11,331.	18,203.	8,432.	307,296.	
	(ii)	0.	0.	0.				
6 MARK BAKER PRESIDENT/CEO	(i)	609,233.	307,500.	13,677.	20,008.	10,043.	960,461.	
	(ii)	0.	0.	0.				
7 KATIE PRIBYL SVP-COMMUNICATIONS	(i)	197,731.	46,450.	2,271.	16,516.	4,104.	267,072.	
	(ii)	0.	0.	0.				
8 JAMES COON SVP-GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS	(i)	337,298.	66,011.	4,962.	20,008.	2,484.	430,763.	
	(ii)	0.	0.	0.				
9 CRAIG SPENCE VP-OPERATIONS/INTN'L AFFAIRS	(i)	183,623.	17,694.	10,005.	14,779.	5,475.	231,576.	
	(ii)	0.	0.	0.				
10	(i)							
	(ii)							
11	(i)							
	(ii)							
12	(i)							
	(ii)							
13	(i)							
	(ii)							
14	(i)							
	(ii)							
15	(i)							
	(ii)							
16	(i)							
	(ii)							

Part III Supplemental Information

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

PART I, LINE 1A

CERTAIN DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS RECEIVED FIRST CLASS AIR TRAVEL, TRAVEL FOR COMPANIONS AS WELL AS TAX INDEMNIFICATION PAYMENTS. IT IS THE ORGANIZATION'S POLICY TO TREAT THE ABOVE ITEMS AS TAXABLE COMPENSATION AND REPORT THE APPLICABLE AMOUNTS TO THE IRS ON FORM W-2 OR FORM 1099-MISC. FOR THE APPLICABLE TAX YEAR.

PART I, LINE 3

THE COMPENSATION LEVELS AND SALARY RANGES FOR OFFICERS AND CERTAIN EMPLOYEES OF THE ORGANIZATION ARE ESTABLISHED BASED ON COMPETITIVE MARKET DATA OBTAINED THROUGH PERIODIC SALARY SURVEYS PERFORMED BY OUTSIDE COMPENSATION EXPERTS ENGAGED BY THE ORGANIZATION. THESE INDEPENDENT SURVEYS PROVIDE GUIDANCE FOR ESTABLISHING REASONABLE COMPENSATION RATES AS COMPARED TO COMPENSATION PAID BY SIMILARLY SITUATED ORGANIZATIONS FOR POSITIONS OF SIMILAR SCOPE OF RESPONSIBILITY. ALL POSITIONS ARE EVALUATED AND PLACED IN THE APPROPRIATE GRADES/SALARY RANGES. AN INDIVIDUAL EMPLOYEE'S SALARY, WITHIN THEIR ASSIGNED RANGE, VARIES DEPENDING PRIMARILY UPON EXPERIENCE AND PERFORMANCE. THE ORGANIZATION HAS ADOPTED A "PAY FOR PERFORMANCE" PHILOSOPHY ALLOWING MANAGERS TO AWARD MERIT

Part III Supplemental Information

Complete this part to 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.

INCREASES BASED ON AN INDIVIDUAL'S PERFORMANCE AGAINST PRE-ESTABLISHED GOALS. THE ORGANIZATION'S ANNUAL MERIT INCREASE BUDGET IS APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES BASED ON MARKET SURVEYS. OFFICERS AND CERTAIN EMPLOYEES ALSO PARTICIPATE IN THE ORGANIZATION'S INCENTIVE PAY PROGRAM.

PART I, LINE 7

TARGET INCENTIVE AMOUNTS, AS A PERCENTAGE OF BASE SALARY, ARE ESTABLISHED BASED ON THE PARTICIPANT'S POSITION. THE ACTUAL BONUS PAID IS PROPOSED BY THE EXECUTIVE MANAGEMENT TEAM AND THE PRESIDENT BASED ON THEIR ASSESSMENT OF THE PARTICIPANT'S INDIVIDUAL PERFORMANCE AND THAT OF THE ORGANIZATION AGAINST PRE-ESTABLISHED GOALS. THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES AND COMPENSATION COMMITTEE REVIEW AND MAKE A FINAL DETERMINATION AS TO THE ACTUAL BONUS AMOUNT PAID TO PARTICIPANTS. NONE OF THE PERSONS MENTIONED ABOVE PARTICIPATE IN THE DELIBERATION OF THEIR COMPENSATION ARRANGEMENT. THE DELIBERATIONS AND DECISIONS OF THESE COMPENSATION ARRANGEMENTS ARE MAINTAINED IN CONTEMPORANEOUS DOCUMENTATION WITH OUR HUMAN RESOURCES DEPARTMENT.

Part III Supplemental Information

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

PART I, LINE 8

THE PRESIDENT/CEO IS PAID PURSUANT TO A BOARD APPROVED EMPLOYMENT CONTRACT THAT WAS BASED ON COMPETITIVE MARKET DATA FROM OUTSIDE COMPENSATION EXPERTS.

PART II

THERE WERE SEVERAL INDIVIDUALS LISTED ON SCHEDULE J, PART II WHOSE COMPENSATION AND/OR BENEFITS CHANGED DUE TO THE FOLLOWING: MARK BAKER RECEIVED A FULL YEAR BONUS IN 2015 COMPARED TO PARTIAL YEAR IN 2014.

SCHEDULE L
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Transactions With Interested Persons

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

▶ **Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ.**

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

Name of the organization

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Employer identification number

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

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

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

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

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

Part II Loans to and/or From Interested Persons.

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

(a) Name of interested person	(b) Relationship with organization	(c) Purpose of loan	(d) Loan to or from the organization?		(e) Original principal amount	(f) Balance due	(g) In default?		(h) Approved by board or committee?		(i) Written agreement?	
			To	From			Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
			(1)									
(2)												
(3)												
(4)												
(5)												
(6)												
(7)												
(8)												
(9)												
(10)												

Total ▶ \$ _____

Part III Grants or Assistance Benefiting Interested Persons.

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

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

Part IV Business Transactions Involving Interested Persons.

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

(a) Name of interested person	(b) Relationship between interested person and the organization	(c) Amount of transaction	(d) Description of transaction	(e) Sharing of organization's revenues?	
				Yes	No
(1) MARK BAKER (BAKER PLANES LLC)	PRESIDENT/AIRCRAFT RENTAL	106,089.	AIRCRAFT RENTAL		X
(2)					
(3)					
(4)					
(5)					
(6)					
(7)					
(8)					
(9)					
(10)					

Part V Supplemental Information

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

PART IV - EMPLOYEE OWNED AIRCRAFT

WHEN APPROPRIATE, AOPA UTILIZES EMPLOYEE-OWNED AIRCRAFT FOR BUSINESS PURPOSES. REIMBURSEMENT FOR FUEL & OPERATING COSTS ARE BASED ON INDUSTRY DETERMINED RATES DEPENDENT ON TYPE OF AIRCRAFT. THESE TYPES OF ARRANGEMENTS ARE DOCUMENTED ON CONTRACTS AND HELP MINIMIZE THE ON-GOING COSTS OF MAINTAINING AN ORGANIZATION OWNED FLEET.

SCHEDULE O
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Supplemental Information to Form 990 or 990-EZ

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

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PART III, LINE 1

AIRCRAFT OWNERS & PILOTS ASSOCIATION (AOPA), A NOT-FOR-PROFIT INDIVIDUAL MEMBERSHIP ORGANIZATION, EFFECTIVELY SERVES THE INTERESTS AND NEEDS OF ITS MEMBERS AND ESTABLISHES, MAINTAINS, AND ARTICULATES POSITION OF LEADERSHIP TO PROMOTE THE ECONOMY, SAFETY, UTILITY AND POPULARITY OF FLIGHT IN GENERAL AVIATION AIRCRAFT. AOPA PRESERVES THE FREEDOM TO FLY BY ADVOCATING ON BEHALF OF OUR MEMBERS; EDUCATING PILOTS, NONPILOTS, AND POLICY MAKERS ALIKE; SUPPORTING ACTIVITIES THAT ENSURE THE LONG-TERM HEALTH OF GENERAL AVIATION; FIGHTING TO KEEP GENERAL AVIATION ACCESSIBLE TO ALL; AND SECURING SUFFICIENT RESOURCES TO ENSURE OUR SUCCESS.

PART III, LINE 4A

GENERAL AVIATION PILOTS THROUGHOUT THE UNITED STATES RELY ON THE AIRCRAFT OWNERS AND PILOTS ASSOCIATION (AOPA) TO PROTECT THEIR FREEDOM TO FLY. AS THE WORLD'S LARGEST AVIATION MEMBER ASSOCIATION, AOPA ADVOCATES FOR THE INTERESTS OF GENERAL AVIATION PILOTS AT ALL LEVELS OF GOVERNMENT, PROVIDES THE INFORMATION PILOTS NEED TO GET THE MOST FROM THEIR FLYING, AND DELIVERS THE TOOLS TO HELP KEEP GENERAL AVIATION SAFE, FUN, AND AFFORDABLE. AOPA ALSO REACHES BEYOND THE FLYING COMMUNITY TO HELP EDUCATE DECISION MAKERS AND THE PUBLIC ABOUT THE VALUE AND UTILITY OF GENERAL AVIATION.

AOPA'S WORK BENEFITS NOT ONLY OUR MEMBERS, BUT ALSO THE ENTIRE GENERAL AVIATION COMMUNITY BY HELPING TO ENSURE THAT GA REMAINS A VIBRANT AND

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VIAABLE FORM OF TRANSPORTATION AND RECREATION FOR GENERATIONS TO COME. AT THE SAME TIME, AOPA PROVIDES ITS MEMBERS WITH AN EXTENSIVE PORTFOLIO OF BENEFITS THAT CAN BE LOOSELY GROUPED INTO FIVE AREAS: ADVOCACY, PILOT COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT, EDUCATION, EVENTS, AND PRODUCTS AND SERVICES.

ADVOCACY

IN ORDER TO EFFECTIVELY MANAGE THE MANY ISSUES THAT AFFECT GENERAL AVIATION, AOPA'S ADVOCACY ARM IS DIVIDED INTO GROUPS RESPONSIBLE FOR LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS, REGULATORY AFFAIRS, OPERATIONS AND INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS, AND AIRPORTS AND STATE ADVOCACY. EACH OF THESE GROUPS WORKS WITHIN ITS OWN AREA OF EXPERTISE WHILE COORDINATING ACROSS THE ENTIRE ADVOCACY TEAM TO SUPPORT AOPA MEMBER INTERESTS.

AOPA'S GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS STAFF IS LOCATED IN OFFICES IN WASHINGTON, D.C. THIS EXPERIENCED TEAM WORKS TO DEVELOP RELATIONSHIPS WITH MEMBERS OF CONGRESS IN ORDER TO ADVANCE LEGISLATION THAT SUPPORTS GENERAL AVIATION WHILE FIGHTING TO PREVENT THE IMPOSITION OF MANDATES THAT MAKE FLYING MORE COSTLY, COMPLICATED, OR RESTRICTIVE. THE GROUP ALSO WORKS TO DRAW ATTENTION TO ISSUES OF IMPORTANCE TO THE GENERAL AVIATION COMMUNITY AS A WHOLE.

AOPA'S REGULATORY EXPERTS DELIVER THE GENERAL AVIATION PERSPECTIVE TO FEDERAL AGENCIES SUCH AS THE FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION (FAA), TRANSPORTATION SECURITY ADMINISTRATION (TSA), NATIONAL TRANSPORTATION

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SECURITY BOARD (NTSB) AND OTHERS WHOSE DECISIONS AND POLICIES AFFECT AVIATION.

AOPA'S OPERATIONS AND INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS TEAM FOCUSES ON ISSUES RELATED TO AIR TRAFFIC SERVICES AND ADVOCATES FOR POLICIES AND PROCEDURES THAT ENSURE GENERAL AVIATION USERS ENJOY ACCESS TO AIRSPACE AND AIRPORTS, OPERATIONAL FLEXIBILITY, AND SAFETY. THIS GROUP ALSO HELPS KEEP MEMBERS INFORMED ABOUT THE EVER-CHANGING AIRSPACE ENVIRONMENT AND THEY ALSO ADDRESS SECURITY MATTERS AND ADVOCATE FOR REASONABLE AND APPROPRIATE SECURITY MEASURES THAT RECOGNIZE THE UNIQUE NATURE OF GENERAL AVIATION.

TO HELP ORGANIZE AND DISTRIBUTE INFORMATION ABOUT AOPA'S ADVOCACY EFFORTS TO MEMBERS, DECISION MAKERS, AND OTHERS, AOPA ROUTINELY PRODUCES HUNDREDS OF ONLINE AND PRINT STORIES, VIDEO SEGMENTS AND PRESS RELEASES ANNUALLY.

AOPA'S TOP FEDERAL ISSUES IN 2015 INCLUDED THIRD CLASS MEDICAL REFORM, EQUIPAGE OF AUTOMATIC DEPENDENT SURVEILLANCE - BROADCAST TECHNOLOGY, INTEGRATION OF UNMANNED AERIAL SYSTEMS INTO THE NATIONAL AIRSPACE SYSTEM, TRANSITION TO AN UNLEADED AVIATION GASOLINE, LIGHT AIRCRAFT CERTIFICATION REFORM, BORDER CROSSING REFORMS, AMONG MANY OTHERS.

IN ADDITION TO AOPA'S EFFORTS ON THE FEDERAL LEVEL, THE ASSOCIATION ALSO HAS A NETWORK OF 7 REGIONAL MANAGERS AND MORE THAN 2,100 AIRPORT SUPPORT NETWORK VOLUNTEERS WHO HELP KEEP AOPA INFORMED ABOUT THE ISSUES AFFECTING

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GENERAL AVIATION IN THEIR COMMUNITIES. WORKING THROUGH OUR VOLUNTEERS, REGIONAL MANAGERS, AND HEADQUARTERS-BASED STAFF, AOPA PROMOTES, PROTECTS, AND DEFENDS COMMUNITY AIRPORTS; ADVOCATES TO MAINTAIN SUFFICIENT STATE AND LOCAL FUNDING FOR GA AIRPORTS AND INFRASTRUCTURE; WORKS TO PREVENT EXCESS STATE TAXATION ON FLYING; AND PROTECTS GENERAL AVIATION PILOTS FROM UNNECESSARY OR INAPPROPRIATE STATE AND LOCAL REGULATION.

THROUGHOUT 2015, AOPA ADDRESSED MORE THAN 393 SEPARATE STATE LEGISLATIVE ISSUES ACROSS THE NATION. AMONGST THEM WERE A NUMBER OF SIGNIFICANT VICTORIES FOR OUR MEMBERS, INCLUDING ADOPTION OF A SALES TAX EXEMPTION FOR AIRCRAFT PARTS AND MAINTENANCE IN SOUTH CAROLINA, AND AN EXPANSION OF A SIMILAR EXEMPTION IN COLORADO. WE ALSO DEFEATED ATTEMPTS TO REPEAL THE MAINTENANCE AND SALES TAX EXEMPTIONS IN MASSACHUSETTS, OREGON, NEW YORK AND WASHINGTON AND AN INCREASE OF PROPERTY TAX ON AIRCRAFT IN LOUISIANA.

AOPA LED THE WAY IN CREATING STATE AVIATION CAUCUSES AS A BICAMERAL, BIPARTISAN GROUP FOR STATE LEGISLATORS IN FLORIDA, SOUTH CAROLINA, MICHIGAN, KANSAS AND OKLAHOMA. THE ASSOCIATION ALSO ESTABLISHED NEW STATE AVIATION DAY EVENTS AT THE STATE CAPITOLS OF HAWAII, AND OKLAHOMA AND EXPANDED ITS PARTICIPATION IN ARIZONA AVIATION DAY AT THE CAPITOL.

PILOTS WHO WANT TO DO EVEN MORE TO HELP SUPPORT GA AND THEIR LOCAL AIRPORTS CAN JOIN THE AOPA AIRPORT SUPPORT NETWORK. IN 2015, THE NETWORK CONTINUED STRONG WITH MORE THAN 2,100 VOLUNTEERS IN PLACE AT AIRPORTS NATIONWIDE. VOLUNTEERS TAKE A LEADERSHIP ROLE AT THEIR AIRPORTS, HELPING

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TO PROMOTE THEIR AIRPORTS, KEEP AOPA INFORMED ABOUT POTENTIAL THREATS,
WORK WITH COMMUNITY LEADERS AND NEIGHBORS, AND ENCOURAGE PILOTS TO
RESPOND APPROPRIATELY TO CONCERNS ABOUT THE AIRPORT.

YOU CAN FLY

AOPA IS ALSO WORKING TO ENSURE THE FUTURE VIABILITY OF GENERAL AVIATION
BY DEVELOPING AND SUPPORTING EFFORTS TO GROW AND SUPPORT THE PILOT
POPULATION THROUGH THE YOU CAN FLY PROGRAM.

YOU CAN FLY IS NOT JUST A SLOGAN. IT'S A COLLECTION OF PRACTICAL,
RIGOROUS, AND ENGAGING PROGRAMS DESIGNED TO HELP BUILD A BIGGER,
STRONGER, MORE VIBRANT, AND MORE RESILIENT PILOT COMMUNITY.

THERE IS NO QUESTION THAT GA IS FACING SOME SERIOUS CHALLENGES INCLUDE
FALLING PILOT NUMBERS, ALARMING STUDENT DROPOUT RATES, HIGH COSTS, AND
PILOTS WHO SIMPLY DRIFT AWAY BECAUSE THEY LACK THE SUPPORT AND
INSPIRATION THEY NEED TO KEEP FLYING.

BUT IT DOESN'T HAVE TO BE THAT WAY. THERE'S NO ONE-SIZE-FITS-ALL
SOLUTION, BUT WE CAN HELP GA TAKE OFF BY SIMULTANEOUSLY TACKLING THESE
CHALLENGES WITH MULTIPLE, TARGETED PROGRAMS DESIGNED TO ADDRESS THE MOST
COMMON AND SIGNIFICANT OBSTACLES OUR COMMUNITY FACES.

THROUGH EXTENSIVE RESEARCH AND REAL-WORLD EXPERIENCE, AOPA HAS DEVELOPED

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PROGRAMS TO SUPPORT FLYING CLUBS, ENCOURAGE BEST PRACTICES IN FLIGHT TRAINING, GET LAPSED PILOTS BACK IN THE AIR, BRING AOPA'S RESOURCES AND EXPERTISE TO PILOT GROUPS ACROSS THE COUNTRY, AND INVITE HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS TO LEARN MORE ABOUT CAREERS IN AVIATION AND AEROSPACE.

TAKEN TOGETHER, THESE PROGRAMS MAKE UP YOU CAN FLY - A POWERFUL, MULTIFACETED APPROACH TO MAKING FLYING MORE ACCESSIBLE AND AFFORDABLE.

WHAT MAKES YOU CAN FLY SO SPECIAL IS NOT JUST THE VARIETY OF PROGRAMS IT ENCOMPASSES, BUT ALSO THE RIGOR WITH WHICH THEY'RE MANAGED AND EVALUATED. WE WANT TO TANGIBLY MOVE THE NEEDLE WHEN IT COMES TO GETTING PEOPLE FLYING AND KEEPING THEM FLYING, AND TO DO THAT, WE ARE MEASURING OUR PROGRESS SO WE CAN FOCUS OUR RESOURCES ON WHAT WORKS.

EXTENSIVE RESEARCH HAS SHOWN THAT FLYING CLUBS ARE A VALUABLE PART OF THE AVIATION LANDSCAPE. PILOTS INVOLVED WITH THE MOST EFFECTIVE CLUBS FIND AVIATION MORE AFFORDABLE AND MORE ACCESSIBLE, AND FLYING CLUBS CREATE THE TYPE OF SUPPORTIVE COMMUNITY THAT KEEPS PILOTS ACTIVE AND ENGAGED. AT THE END OF 2015, THERE WERE 630 FLYING CLUBS IN THE AOPA FLYING CLUB NETWORK. WE ALSO HELPED START 10 BRAND NEW FLYING CLUBS IN 2015, LAUNCHED A NEW VERSION OF THE AOPA ONLINE FLYING CLUB FINDER, OFFERED FREE SCHEDULING SOFTWARE TO FLYING CLUBS IN THE NETWORK AND LAUNCHED A NEW ONLINE RESOURCE TOOL.

AOPA ALSO CONTINUED THE WORK THAT BEGAN SEVERAL YEARS AGO WITH THE FLIGHT

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TRAINING STUDENT RETENTION INITIATIVE. THE FLIGHT TRAINING POLL WAS DESIGNED TO MEASURE THE OVERALL PERFORMANCE OF A FLIGHT SCHOOL OR FLIGHT INSTRUCTOR THROUGH THE EYES OF THEIR CUSTOMERS. THE POLL ALLOWS AOPA TO IDENTIFY THE HIGHEST LEVELS OF ACHIEVEMENT IN THE FLIGHT TRAINING COMMUNITY, WITH THE GOAL OF ENCOURAGING OTHERS TO ADOPT SIMILAR CHARACTERISTICS OF SUCCESS. THE TOP SCORING SCHOOLS AND INSTRUCTORS WERE PROFILED IN THE FLIGHT SCHOOL BUSINESS NEWSLETTER AND FLIGHT TRAINING MAGAZINE IN ORDER TO SHARE IDEAS AND ACTIONS THAT OTHER PROFESSIONALS CAN APPLY TO ENHANCE THEIR OWN SCHOOLS AND TEACHING.

THE POLL WAS CONDUCTED USING AN ONLINE SURVEY PROCESS BASED ON AOPA'S 2011 RESEARCH INTO THE OPTIMAL FLIGHT TRAINING EXPERIENCE. EACH INDIVIDUAL COULD NOMINATE UP TO ONE FLIGHT SCHOOL AND ONE FLIGHT INSTRUCTOR PER YEAR. AOPA RECEIVED MORE THAN 7,133 POLL SUBMISSIONS IN 2015 - NEARLY 3,500 MORE SUBMISSIONS THAN THE PREVIOUS YEAR.

IN 2013, AOPA COMMISSIONED RESEARCH TO GAIN A BETTER UNDERSTANDING OF HOW TO KEEP PILOTS ACTIVE AND ENGAGE BEFORE THEY BECOME THEY BECOME LAPSED PILOTS. THE RESEARCH INDICATED THAT ONLY A SMALL PORTION OF PILOTS ARE TRULY LAPSED WITH NO INTENTION OF RETURNING TO FLYING. WHILE THE REST STOPPED FLYING FOR VARIOUS REASONS - COST, TIME, REGULATIONS - THEY INTEND TO RETURN TO FLIGHT. IN RESPONSE, AOPA CREATED THE RUSTY PILOTS PROGRAM TO LOWER THE BARRIER TO RE-ENTRY AND PROVIDE LAPSED PILOTS A WAY TO RETURN TO FLYING IN A MATTER OF HOURS THROUGH A FREE SESSION OF GROUND SCHOOL THAT FULFILLS THE FAA'S FLIGHT REVIEW REQUIREMENT FOR GROUND

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INSTRUCTION.

AOPA PARTNERS DIRECTLY WITH FLIGHT SCHOOLS AND FLYING CLUBS AROUND THE NATION IN ORDER TO OFFER THIS PROGRAM. AFTER EACH SEMINAR, PILOTS CAN WORK DIRECTLY WITH THE FLIGHT SCHOOL OR FLYING CLUB TO SCHEDULE DUAL FLIGHT TIME IN ORDER TO COMPLETE A FLIGHT REVIEW. AOPA HELPS PARTICIPATING FLIGHT SCHOOLS AND FLYING CLUBS IDENTIFY LAPSED PILOTS IN THEIR AREAS AND PROMOTES THE EVENTS COMPLETELY FREE OF CHARGE.

IN 2015, AOPA CONDUCTED 103 SEMINARS WITH A TOTAL OF 3,565 ATTENDEES. ABOUT 25 PERCENT OF THE LAPSED PILOTS THAT ATTENDED REPORTED THAT THEY COMPLETELY FINISHED THEIR FLIGHT REVIEW.

IN 2015, IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE RECEIPT OF FIVE DONATED AIRCRAFT, AOPA BEGAN USING YOU CAN FLY AMBASSADORS TO BRING AOPA RESOURCES TO FLYING CLUBS AND FLIGHT SCHOOLS ON A GRASSROOTS BASIS. FOCUSING ON PARTS OF THE COUNTRY WITH THE GREATEST NUMBER OF AOPA MEMBERS, WE HAVE PLACED AMBASSADORS IN FLORIDA, SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA, AND TEXAS AND WILL SOON PLACE AN AMBASSADOR IN THE GREAT LAKES AREA. AOPA'S YOU CAN FLY AMBASSADORS SPEND THEIR DAYS VISITING AIRPORTS IN THEIR REGIONS, TALKING TO PILOTS, MEETING WITH FLIGHT SCHOOLS AND CLUBS, HOSTING EDUCATIONAL SEMINARS, AND GENERALLY BRINGING AOPA'S RESOURCES TO THE PILOT COMMUNITY.

THEY ARE ESSENTIALLY FREE CONSULTANTS TO FLYING CLUBS, FLIGHT SCHOOLS, AND OTHERS WHO AIM TO MAKE FLYING MORE ACCESSIBLE, AFFORDABLE, AND APPROACHABLE.

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IN 2015, THE YOU CAN FLY AMBASSADORS HELPED START 3 NEW FLYING CLUBS, INITIATED MORE THAN 20 RUSTY PILOT SEMINARS AND ATTENDED MORE THAN 25 AIRPORT/COMMUNITY DAYS.

FINALLY, AOPA LAUNCHED THE AVIATION HIGH SCHOOL INITIATIVE IN 2015 TO HELP BUILD AND SUSTAIN AVIATION-BASED STEM PROGRAMS IN HIGH SCHOOLS IN ORDER TO PROVIDE A QUALITY WORKFORCE TO THE AVIATION INDUSTRY.

AOPA HAS DEVELOPED A DATABASE OF HUNDREDS OF HIGH SCHOOLS AND EDUCATION PROGRAMS NATIONWIDE THAT INCLUDE AVIATION STUDIES IN STEM LEARNING TRACKS. IN THE FALL OF 2015, AOPA CONDUCTED A SURVEY OF THESE SCHOOLS TO DETERMINE THEIR NEEDS AND THE CHALLENGES THEY FACE. AS A RESULT, OUR PROGRAM WILL PROVIDE HIGH SCHOOL PRINCIPALS, SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENTS, STEM PROGRAM LEADERS, AND GUIDANCE COUNSELORS WITH THE RESOURCES THEY TELL US WILL BE MOST VALUABLE TO THEM IN CLEARING HURDLES AND GETTING PROGRAMS IMPLEMENTED OR EXPANDED. THIS INCLUDES A MECHANISM TO SHARE IDEAS AND BEST PRACTICES, FORMATION OF COMPREHENSIVE AVIATION STEM CURRICULA, FREE CONSULTATION TO SCHOOLS, SCHOLARSHIP AND GRANT SUPPORT, AND MORE!

AOPA HAS IDENTIFIED A GAP IN AVIATION YOUTH EDUCATION THAT NO OTHER ORGANIZATION IS FILLING. BY WORKING WITH SCHOOLS DIRECTLY, WE CAN EXPOSE AND ENGAGE A MORE DIVERSE GROUP OF STUDENTS IN AVIATION. AND THAT GIVES US THE OPPORTUNITY TO REACH INDIVIDUALS WHO MIGHT OTHERWISE NEVER REALIZE THAT AN AVIATION CAREER, OR AVOCATION, IS WITHIN REACH.

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AOPA HELD ITS FIRST HIGH SCHOOL SYMPOSIUM IN NOVEMBER 2015 AT THE THE CENTRAL FLORIDA AEROSPACE ACADEMY IN LAKE LAND, FL. IT WAS ATTENDED BY 150 TEACHERS, SCHOOL ADMINISTRATORS AND OTHERS INTERESTED IN FURTHERING AVIATION STEM EDUCATION.

EDUCATION

EDUCATING OUR MEMBERS ABOUT THE ISSUES THAT AFFECT THEIR FLYING HAS ALWAYS BEEN AT THE HEART OF AOPA'S MISSION. TODAY, AOPA PRODUCES TWO MONTHLY MAGAZINES, NUMEROUS ELECTRONIC NEWSLETTERS, A WEEKLY VIDEO NEWS PROGRAM, STREAMING VIDEO, MULTIPLE WEB SITES, MEETINGS, AND EVENTS-ALL WITH THE GOAL OF EDUCATING AND INFORMING OUR MEMBERS, THE LARGER AVIATION COMMUNITY, AND THE PUBLIC.

AOPA PILOT IS AOPA'S FLAGSHIP MAGAZINE, AND THE MOST WIDELY READ AVIATION MAGAZINE IN THE WORLD. WRITTEN BY PILOTS FOR PILOTS, EACH ISSUE BRINGS READERS THE LATEST NEWS AFFECTING GENERAL AVIATION, INCLUDING COVERAGE OF GOVERNMENTAL AND REGULATORY ISSUES, UPDATES ON AOPA'S ADVOCACY EFFORTS, NEWS FROM AIRCRAFT AND AVIONICS MANUFACTURERS, AND MORE. READERS ARE ALSO TREATED TO BEAUTIFULLY DESIGNED FEATURE STORIES ABOUT THE BEST FLYING DESTINATIONS FOR GENERAL AVIATION PILOTS, PILOTING TECHNIQUES, AIRCRAFT OWNERSHIP, COCKPIT TECHNOLOGY AND, OF COURSE, AIRCRAFT NEW AND OLD. REGULAR COLUMNS ADDRESS AIRCRAFT MAINTENANCE, LEGAL ISSUES, MEDICAL CONSIDERATIONS, AND OTHER SUBJECTS OF DIRECT CONCERN TO PILOTS AND

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AIRCRAFT OWNERS. MORE THAN 3.1 MILLION COPIES OF AOPA PILOT WERE PRODUCED IN 2015.

A SECOND MONTHLY MAGAZINE, FLIGHT TRAINING, IS DESIGNED SPECIFICALLY TO MEET THE NEEDS OF THE FLIGHT TRAINING COMMUNITY, INCLUDING STUDENT PILOTS, THOSE WHO ARE RETURNING TO FLYING AFTER A HIATUS, AND FLIGHT INSTRUCTORS. WITH THE TAG LINE "A GOOD PILOT IS ALWAYS LEARNING," THE MAGAZINE PLACES A HEAVY EMPHASIS ON BUILDING AND ENHANCING THE FUNDAMENTAL SKILLS AND KNOWLEDGE EVERY PILOT MUST MASTER. FLIGHT TRAINING PRESENTS PRACTICAL INFORMATION, TIPS, AND TOOLS IN A FORMAT THAT IS CLEAR, UNDERSTANDABLE, AND ENJOYABLE TO READ. WITH THE HELP OF DETAILED, ACCURATE ILLUSTRATIONS AND BEAUTIFUL PHOTOGRAPHY, FLIGHT TRAINING MAKES THE COMPLEX CONCEPTS BEHIND SUCCESSFUL PILOTING EASY TO UNDERSTAND AND ABSORB. IN 2015, AOPA PRODUCED MORE THAN 870,000 COPIES OF THE MAGAZINE.

AOPA ALSO MAINTAINS A WEB SITE, [HTTP://FLIGHTTRAINING.AOPA.ORG/MAGAZINE](http://flighttraining.aopa.org/magazine), TO ACT AS A COMPANION TO THE MAGAZINE. THE SITE ENHANCES AND SUPPLEMENTS THE MAGAZINE'S EDITORIAL CONTENT AND PROVIDES PRACTICAL INFORMATION ABOUT LEARNING TO FLY FOR PROSPECTIVE AND STUDENT PILOTS.

IN ADDITION, BOTH AOPA PILOT MAGAZINE AND FLIGHT TRAINING MAGAZINE ARE DISTRIBUTED DIGITALLY. BETWEEN THE TWO MAGAZINES, MORE THAN 57,000 COPIES OF THE DIGITAL EDITION ARE DISTRIBUTED EACH MONTH.

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MANY AOPA MEMBERS WANT MORE NEWS, MORE OFTEN THAN MONTHLY MAGAZINES CAN SUPPLY. FOR THOSE MEMBERS, AOPA PRODUCES SEVERAL DIFFERENT ELECTRONIC NEWSLETTERS, WHICH ARE AVAILABLE FREE OF CHARGE TO ALL MEMBERS. AOPA EPILOT IS A WEEKLY E-MAIL NEWSLETTER THAT PROVIDES THE LATEST GENERAL AVIATION AND AOPA NEWS. EPILOT DELIVERS INFORMATION PERTINENT TO THE READER'S GEOGRAPHIC LOCATION. IN ADDITION, EPILOT SUBSCRIBERS RECEIVE INSTANT AIRSPACE ALERTS WHEN SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCES, SUCH AS TEMPORARY AIRSPACE RESTRICTIONS, AFFECT THEIR REGION. AT THE END OF 2015, 226,100 USERS WERE SUBSCRIBED TO EPILOT.

MEMBERS WITH AN INTEREST IN TRAINING MAY ALSO CHOOSE TO RECEIVE THE FLIGHT TRAINING EDITION OF AOPA EPILOT. THIS NEWSLETTER ALSO PROVIDES THE LATEST NEWS, BUT ADDS SPECIALIZED TRAINING-RELATED TIPS AND TECHNIQUES EACH WEEK. AT THE END OF 2015, 75,000 READERS WERE SUBSCRIBED TO THIS SPECIAL EDITION.

AOPA'S NEWEST ELECTRONIC NEWSLETTER, AVIATION EBRIEF, DELIVERS AVIATION-RELATED NEWS TO READERS EACH WEEKDAY. BY BRINGING TOGETHER AVIATION NEWS FROM A VARIETY OF MEDIA OUTLETS, AVIATION EBRIEF PROVIDES READERS WITH A BIG-PICTURE OVERVIEW OF WHAT IS HAPPENING IN THE AVIATION WORLD. AVIATION EBRIEF IS AVAILABLE FREE OF CHARGE TO BOTH AOPA MEMBERS AND NON-MEMBERS WHO HAVE AN INTEREST IN THE ISSUES AFFECTING GENERAL AVIATION. AT THE END OF 2015, 175,300 INDIVIDUALS SUBSCRIBED TO AVIATION EBRIEF.

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THROUGH AOPA LIVE, THE ASSOCIATION'S ONLINE STREAMING MEDIA OUTLET, MEMBERS AND OTHERS CAN WATCH INTERVIEWS WITH THE MOST INFLUENTIAL AND DYNAMIC FIGURES IN AVIATION. WITH CONTINUING COVERAGE OF IMPORTANT ISSUES AND AVIATION EVENTS, AOPA LIVE FEATURES A GROWING LIBRARY OF INTERVIEWS WITH A VARIETY OF AVIATION LEADERS AND INSPIRATIONAL FIGURES, INCLUDING THE FAA ADMINISTRATOR, CONGRESSMEN, AIRSHOW PERFORMERS, CEOS OF MAJOR AVIATION COMPANIES, ASSOCIATION LEADERS FROM ACROSS THE AVIATION SPECTRUM, AND DOZENS OF OTHERS. IN 2015, AOPA LIVE VIDEOS WERE VIEWED 2.1 MILLION TIMES FOR 323,400 HOURS OF PLAY TIME.

AOPA LIVE THIS WEEK WAS LAUNCHED IN MAY 2012 AS A WEEKLY TV-NEWS-MAGAZINE STYLE WEBCAST TO INFORM, EDUCATE, AND ENTERTAIN GENERAL AVIATION PILOTS. THE SHOW, WITH ITS HIGH PRODUCTION QUALITIES AND REPORTING BY GENERAL AVIATION'S MOST EXPERIENCED REPORTERS, QUICKLY GREW TO BE THE LARGEST SUCH WEEKLY SHOW ABOUT AVIATION. THE TEAM REPORTED ON EVERYTHING FROM NEW AIRCRAFT LAUNCHES TO SAFETY AND PROFICIENCY TECHNIQUES TO THE LATEST AOPA POLICY POSITIONS. VIEWERS TELL AOPA THE SHOW HELPS BRING IMPORTANT ADVOCACY ISSUES TO LIFE, HELPING THEM BETTER UNDERSTAND COMPLEX SUBJECTS. VIDEO HAS PROVEN TO BE A POWERFUL MEANS OF COMMUNICATING WITH THE GENERAL AVIATION COMMUNITY AND AN ALSO IMPORTANT WAY TO ALERT THE AUDIENCE TO NEW AOPA AIR SAFETY INSTITUTE ONLINE COURSES AND PROGRAMS.

AOPA ALSO COMMUNICATES WITH AND EDUCATES ITS MEMBERS BY PROVIDING BOTH UNPARALLELED BREADTH AND DEPTH OF ONLINE RESOURCES-RESOURCES THAT ARE CONTINUOUSLY BEING UPDATED TO IMPROVE THEIR COMPATIBILITY WITH SMART

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PHONES AND MOBILE DEVICES ACROSS MULTIPLE PLATFORMS. AOPA ONLINE GIVES MEMBERS ROUND-THE-CLOCK ACCESS TO NEWS, INFORMATION, FLIGHT PLANNING RESOURCES, AIRCRAFT OWNERSHIP TOOLS, AND MORE. IN 2015 ALONE, MORE THAN 650 THOUSAND UNIQUE VISITORS VIEWED MORE THAN 125 THOUSAND PAGES OF INFORMATION THROUGH AOPA.ORG MORE THAN 30 MILLION TIMES.

AOPA'S WEBSITE FEATURES QUICK LINKS TO AOPA'S POPULAR FLIGHT PLANNING AND WEATHER TOOLS, A DEDICATED NEWS PAGE AND AN ADVOCACY ALERT SECTION TO KEEP READERS INFORMED OF THE ASSOCIATION'S EFFORTS TO PROTECT THE FREEDOM TO FLY ON THE LOCAL, STATE AND FEDERAL LEVELS.

WHILE SOME FEATURES OF THE AOPA.ORG WEBSITE ARE AVAILABLE PUBLICLY, MEMBERS ENJOY ACCESS TO THE SITE'S MOST POPULAR FEATURES, INCLUDING AOPA'S WEB FLIGHT PLANNING AND WEATHER DATA TOOLS WHERE MEMBERS CAN QUICKLY AND ACCURATELY PREPARE AND FILE A FLIGHT PLAN ANYWHERE THEY HAVE INTERNET ACCESS. MEMBERS CAN ALSO FIND AVIATION WEATHER REPORTS, FUEL PRICES, THE LATEST SECURITY AND AIRSPACE INFORMATION, AND OTHER TOOLS TO HELP THEM PLAN FLIGHTS THAT ARE EFFICIENT, SAFE, AND ENJOYABLE.

WITH AOPA AIRPORTS, ALSO ACCESSIBLE THROUGH AOPA ONLINE, MEMBERS CAN FIND EVERYTHING THEY NEED TO KNOW ABOUT POTENTIAL DESTINATIONS AND FUEL STOPS. UPDATED DAILY, THE DIRECTORY IS THE MOST COMPREHENSIVE OF ITS KIND, BRINGING TOGETHER AIRPORT INFORMATION, RUNWAY DIAGRAMS, INSTRUMENT APPROACH PLATES, MAINTENANCE INFORMATION, RADIO FREQUENCIES, FLIGHT SERVICE STATION TELEPHONE NUMBERS, AND MORE. THE DIRECTORY ALSO PROVIDES

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PRACTICAL TOOLS TO HELP MEMBERS GET THE MOST OUT OF A VISIT TO ANY AIRPORT, INCLUDING CONTACT INFORMATION FOR ON-AIRPORT BUSINESSES SUCH AS FIXED-BASE OPERATORS, FLIGHT SCHOOLS, AND REPAIR FACILITIES AS WELL AS INFORMATION ABOUT LOCAL RESTAURANTS, HOTELS, CAR RENTALS, AND ATTRACTIONS.

OTHER RESOURCES AVAILABLE ONLINE INCLUDE ASSISTANCE WITH VALUING AND PURCHASING AN AIRCRAFT, AVIATION MEDICAL INFORMATION AND TOOLS TO HELP PILOTS PREPARE FOR THEIR NEXT MEDICAL EXAM, GUIDELINES FOR INTERNATIONAL FLYING, REGULATORY AND AIRWORTHINESS INFORMATION, AVIATION CLASSIFIEDS, AND AIRCRAFT AND AVIONICS REVIEWS.

ONLINE VISITORS CAN ALSO STAY UP TO DATE WITH AOPA'S ADVOCACY EFFORTS AT THE FEDERAL, STATE, AND LOCAL LEVELS. PILOTS CAN USE THE SITE TO FIND THEIR LOCAL AOPA AIRPORT SUPPORT NETWORK VOLUNTEER OR BECOME VOLUNTEERS THEMSELVES. AOPA MEMBERS CAN ALSO LEARN MORE ABOUT THE WORK OF AOPA'S POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEE AND ITS SUPPORT FOR CANDIDATES WHO REPRESENT THE INTERESTS AND CONCERNS OF AOPA'S MEMBERS AND THE GENERAL AVIATION COMMUNITY AS A WHOLE.

FOR NEWCOMERS TO FLYING, AOPA ONLINE OFFERS DETAILED INFORMATION ABOUT THE PROCESS AND REQUIREMENTS FOR LEARNING TO FLY, HELP FINDING A FLIGHT INSTRUCTOR AND AVIATION MEDICAL EXAMINER, AN IN-DEPTH GUIDE TO CHOOSING A TRAINING AIRCRAFT, AND INFORMATION ABOUT AVIATION CAREERS.

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PILOTS WITH MORE EXPERIENCE MAY WANT TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF INFORMATION ABOUT EARNING ADVANCED RATINGS AND CERTIFICATES AS WELL AS TRANSITIONING TO HIGH PERFORMANCE AIRCRAFT, TURBOPROPS, AND JETS. FOR CHILDREN, AOPA ONLINE OFFERS A COLLECTION OF YOUTH EDUCATION RESOURCES THAT LINK AVIATION TO MATH, SCIENCE, PHYSICS, HISTORY, AND TECHNOLOGY. IN ADDITION TO THE ONLINE PRODUCTS, PRINTED MATERIALS ARE AVAILABLE TO TEACHERS AND PILOTS AT NO CHARGE.

EVENTS

IN 2014, AOPA LAUNCHED ITS NEW REGIONAL FLY-IN SERIES. IN TWO YEARS, AOPA HAS HELD A TOTAL OF 12 REGIONAL FLY-INS WHICH HAS BROUGHT AOPA MEMBERS, PILOTS, AND AVIATION ENTHUSIASTS TOGETHER AT LOCAL AIRPORTS FOR A DAY OF COMMUNITY BUILDING, AVIATION FOCUS, SAFETY TRAINING AND EDUCATION, AND INSPIRATION.

AOPA DEVELOPED THIS NEW EVENT PROGRAM TO MEET OUR MEMBERS WHERE THEY FLY, AND TO CREATE A NEW EVENT MODEL TO REPLACE THE ANNUAL AVIATION SUMMIT WHERE MEMBERS WERE ONLY ABLE TO ACCESS AOPA EVENT PROGRAMMING AT A SINGLE DESTINATION, AND AT MUCH HIGHER EXPENSE. THE FREE, ONE-DAY WEEKEND FLY-INS OFFER EASY ACCESS TO PILOTS AND MEMBERS ALL OVER THE COUNTRY IN LOCALES CLOSER TO HOME, NOT REQUIRING EXPENSIVE OVERNIGHT TRAVEL, AND AVAILABLE OUTSIDE OF NORMAL WORK HOURS.

LIKE ITS FIRST YEAR, THE FLY-INS IN 2015 WERE WIDELY ATTENDED AND HIGHLY

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SUCCESSFUL. MORE THAN 13,000 PEOPLE ATTENDED AOPA'S FIVE FLY-INS IN 2015 AND MORE THAN 1,500 AIRCRAFT FLEW IN. MEMBER SATISFACTION SURVEYS FOR THE REGIONAL FLY-INS DEMONSTRATED HIGH LEVELS OF SATISFACTION, REACHING WELL INTO THE NINETIETH PERCENTILE.

AOPA HAS ALSO EXPANDED ITS PRESENCE AT THE TWO MAJOR GA AIR SHOWS HELD EACH YEAR; SUN N FUN IN LAKE LAND, FLORIDA AND AIRVENTURE IN OSHKOSH, WISCONSIN. IN 2015, THE ASSOCIATION ONCE AGAIN STAFFED AN ACTIVITY TENT WHERE MEMBERS AND NON-MEMBERS ENJOYED QUALITY EDUCATION AND FUN GATHERINGS, AND WHERE THE AOPA FOUNDATION AND VARIOUS AOPA DEPARTMENTS CAN MORE COST-EFFECTIVELY HOLD MEETINGS, SEMINARS, BREAKFASTS, SOCIALS, AND OTHER SPECIAL EVENTS.

DURING THE SECOND YEAR OF THIS EXPANDED MODEL AT SUN N FUN AND AIRVENTURE, AOPA SAW A COMBINED 35,600 ATTENDEES ENGAGE WITH AOPA IN OUR MAIN TENT FEATURING THE VARIOUS AOPA PRODUCT OFFERINGS, AND OVER 6,600 ATTENDEES INVEST SIGNIFICANT TIME IN ENGAGEMENT OF SPECIAL ACTIVITIES, PROGRAMS, AND EDUCATIONAL OFFERINGS.

PRODUCTS AND SERVICES

AOPA MEMBERS HAVE ACCESS TO A WIDE RANGE OF SERVICES AND PRODUCTS FROM AOPA AND AOPA PARTNERS. WITH A TEAM OF DEDICATED SERVICE SPECIALISTS, AOPA HAS THE RESOURCES TO ANSWER VIRTUALLY ANY AVIATION-RELATED QUESTION MEMBERS MAY HAVE.

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IN ADDITION TO HAVING ONLINE ACCESS TO THEIR MEMBER INFORMATION, AOPA MEMBERS CAN CALL AOPA'S MEMBER SERVICE REPRESENTATIVES TO RENEW OR UPDATE THEIR MEMBERSHIPS, CHANGE THEIR PREFERENCES, ENROLL IN OR CANCEL SERVICES, AND GET INFORMATION ON AOPA'S MEMBER PRODUCTS. IN 2015, THIS TEAM OF SERVICE PROFESSIONALS HANDLED MORE THAN 113,828 CONTACTS, CONNECTING MEMBERS TO EXACTLY THE PEOPLE AND INFORMATION THEY NEED, WHETHER THE CONTACT IS MADE THROUGH E-MAIL, THE WEB, OR OVER THE PHONE. THEY ALSO TOUCHED 68,900 MEMBERS THROUGH NON-FINANCIAL UPDATES; INCLUDING SEMINAR REGISTRATION, FT FREE ENROLLMENTS, DEMOGRAPHIC UPDATES, BENEFICIARY ENTRIES & PROXY UPDATES. THIS TEAM STRIVES TO RESOLVE ANY AND ALL MEMBER ISSUES IN THE FIRST CONTACT-GIVING MEMBERS THE SATISFACTION OF KNOWING THAT THEIR CONCERNS AND QUESTIONS WILL BE ADDRESSED CORRECTLY THE FIRST TIME.

WHEN AN AOPA MEMBER HAS AN AVIATION-RELATED QUESTION, THEY CAN CALL THE AOPA PILOT INFORMATION CENTER TO GET FAST AND ACCURATE ANSWERS. WITH A TEAM OF FLIGHT INSTRUCTORS, AIRLINE TRANSPORT RATED PILOTS, AVIATION MECHANICS, DIGITAL PRODUCT SPECIALISTS, AVIATION MEDICAL SPECIALISTS, AND OTHER AVIATION EXPERTS ON CALL, THE PILOT INFORMATION CENTER TAKES PRIDE IN BEING ABLE TO ASSIST AOPA MEMBERS WITH ANY QUERY. DURING 2015, THE CENTER RESPONDED TO MORE THAN 140,000 CONTACTS COVERING ISSUES AS DIVERSE AS INTERNATIONAL FLIGHT PLANNING, AIRCRAFT OWNERSHIP, FLIGHT TRAINING FOR PRIMARY AND ADVANCED PILOTS, AIRCRAFT MAINTENANCE, REGULATORY GUIDANCE, AIRSPACE, AIR TRAFFIC CONTROL, AND MORE.

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THE MEDICAL STAFF RESPONDS TO MEMBER QUESTIONS COVERING A SPECTRUM OF MEDICAL CONDITIONS FROM QUESTIONS ABOUT COLOR VISION AND HIGH BLOOD PRESSURE TO KIDNEY STONES AND HEART DISEASE. THE MEDICAL STAFF'S UNIQUE LEVEL OF AEROMEDICAL EXPERTISE HAS ENABLED THEM TO WORK CLOSELY WITH THE FAA AEROMEDICAL DIVISION IN OKLAHOMA CITY AND WASHINGTON, DC, TO ENSURE THAT THE INFORMATION PROVIDED TO MEMBERS IS ACCURATE AND COMPREHENSIVE, AND THAT OUR ADVOCACY EFFORTS RESULT IN THE BEST POSSIBLE OUTCOME FOR THE MEMBER. OUR CLOSE WORKING RELATIONSHIP WITH FAA AEROMEDICAL AFFORDS AOPA MEMBERS THE INDUSTRY'S FOREMOST EXPERTISE AND ASSISTANCE IN OBTAINING REGULAR AND SPECIAL ISSUANCE MEDICAL CERTIFICATES.

PART VI, SECTION A, LINE 2

THERE ARE TWO TRUSTEES (MR. TRIMBLE AND MR. CRATE) WHO HAVE A BUSINESS RELATIONSHIP OUTSIDE OF AOPA. THESE TWO TRUSTEES ARE PARTNERS IN THE SAME COMPANY. ANOTHER TRUSTEE, JAMES HAUSLEIN, SERVES ON THE BOARD OF MR. TRIMBLE & MR. CRATE'S COMPANY.

PART VI, SECTION A, LINES 6 AND 7A

AT THE ANNUAL MEETING OF MEMBERS, AOPA MEMBERS IN GOOD STANDING ARE ENTITLED TO VOTE FOR THE AOPA BOARD OF TRUSTEES. AOPA MEMBERS ARE ENTITLED TO ONE VOTE. EACH MEMBER ENTITLED TO VOTE MAY DO SO EITHER IN PERSON OR BY PROXY.

PART VI, SECTION B, LINES 11A AND 11B

IN CONJUNCTION WITH GRANT THORNTON LLP TAX SPECIALISTS, AOPA MANAGEMENT

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REVIEWS THE FORM 990 WITH THE AUDIT COMMITTEE PRIOR TO PRESENTING THE RETURN TO OUR BOARD OF TRUSTEES FOR REVIEW.

PART VI, SECTION B, LINE 12C

THE AIRCRAFT OWNERS & PILOTS ASSOCIATION'S BOARD IS PROVIDED A WRITTEN "CODE OF ETHICS, CONFLICT OF INTEREST QUESTIONNAIRE AND DISCLOSURE FORM" ("FORM"). THE FORM REQUIRES PERSONS COVERED (OFFICERS, DIRECTORS, TRUSTEES AND KEY EMPLOYEES) TO ANNUALLY DISCLOSE AND UPDATE THE FORM AND PROVIDE TO LEGAL COUNSEL INTERESTS THAT COULD GIVE RISE TO CONFLICT(S). LEGAL COUNSEL REVIEWS THE ANNUAL DISCLOSURES BY ALL COVERED PERSONS. DISCLOSURES ARE REGULARLY MONITORED BY COUNSEL, ANY POTENTIALLY CONFLICTING OR OTHERWISE QUESTIONABLE RESPONSES ARE FLAGGED AND THE ETHICS POLICY IS ENFORCED.

PART VI, SECTION B, LINES 15A AND 15B

THE COMPENSATION FOR THE PRESIDENT IS SET BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES AND COMPENSATION COMMITTEE AND CONTRACTUALLY CONFIRMED THROUGH AN EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE BOARD AND THE INCUMBENT. THE BASE SALARY FOR THIS POSITION MAY BE ADJUSTED BY THE BOARD FROM TIME TO TIME AT ITS SOLE DISCRETION. THE PRESIDENT IS ALSO CONSIDERED ANNUALLY BY THE BOARD FOR AN INCENTIVE BONUS WHICH IS A PERCENT OF BASE SALARY. THE ACTUAL BONUS PAID IS DETERMINED BY THE BOARD BASED ON ITS ASSESSMENT OF THE PRESIDENT'S PERFORMANCE AND THAT OF THE ORGANIZATION AGAINST APPROPRIATE GOALS SET BY THE COMPENSATION COMMITTEE AND THE PRESIDENT. PERIODIC INDEPENDENT REVIEWS OF THE PRESIDENT'S COMPENSATION ARE CONDUCTED BY OUTSIDE COMPENSATION EXPERTS TO ENSURE THAT THE COMPENSATION PAID IS REASONABLE

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BASED ON APPROPRIATE DATA AS TO COMPARABILITY OF COMPENSATION PAID BY SIMILAR ORGANIZATIONS FOR POSITIONS OF SIMILAR SCOPE OF RESPONSIBILITY. THE COMPENSATION LEVELS AND SALARY RANGES FOR OFFICERS AND CERTAIN EMPLOYEES OF THE ORGANIZATION ARE ESTABLISHED BASED ON COMPETITIVE MARKET DATA OBTAINED THROUGH PERIODIC SALARY SURVEYS PERFORMED BY OUTSIDE COMPENSATION EXPERTS ENGAGED BY THE ORGANIZATION. THESE SURVEYS PROVIDE GUIDANCE FOR ESTABLISHING REASONABLE COMPENSATION RATES AS COMPARED TO COMPENSATION PAID BY SIMILARLY SITUATED ORGANIZATIONS FOR POSITIONS OF SIMILAR SCOPE OF RESPONSIBILITY. ALL POSITIONS ARE EVALUATED AND PLACED IN THE APPROPRIATE GRADES/SALARY RANGES. AN INDIVIDUAL EMPLOYEE'S SALARY, WITHIN THEIR ASSIGNED RANGE, VARIES DEPENDING PRIMARILY UPON EXPERIENCE AND PERFORMANCE. THE ORGANIZATION HAS ADOPTED A "PAY FOR PERFORMANCE" PHILOSOPHY ALLOWING MANAGERS TO AWARD MERIT INCREASES BASED ON AN INDIVIDUAL'S PERFORMANCE AGAINST PRE-ESTABLISHED GOALS. THE ORGANIZATION'S ANNUAL MERIT INCREASE BUDGET IS APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES BASED ON MARKET SURVEYS. OFFICERS AND CERTAIN EMPLOYEES ALSO PARTICIPATE IN THE ORGANIZATION'S INCENTIVE PAY PROGRAM. TARGET INCENTIVE AMOUNTS, AS A PERCENTAGE OF BASE SALARY, ARE ESTABLISHED BASED ON THE PARTICIPANT'S POSITION. THE ACTUAL BONUS PAID IS PROPOSED BY THE EXECUTIVE MANAGEMENT TEAM AND THE PRESIDENT BASED ON THEIR ASSESSMENT OF THE PARTICIPANT'S INDIVIDUAL PERFORMANCE AND THAT OF THE ORGANIZATION AGAINST PRE-ESTABLISHED GOALS. THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES AND COMPENSATION COMMITTEE REVIEW AND MAKE A FINAL DETERMINATION AS TO THE ACTUAL BONUS AMOUNT PAID TO PARTICIPANTS. NONE OF THE PERSONS MENTIONED ABOVE PARTICIPATE IN THE DELIBERATION OF THEIR COMPENSATION ARRANGEMENT. THE

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DELIBERATIONS AND DECISIONS OF THESE COMPENSATION ARRANGEMENTS ARE MAINTAINED IN CONTEMPORANEOUS DOCUMENTATION WITH OUR HUMAN RESOURCES DEPARTMENT.

PART VI, SECTION B, LINE 16B

THE ORGANIZATION DOES HAVE A WRITTEN MANAGEMENT POLICY TO EVALUATE ALL CONTRACTS & AGREEMENTS, TO ENSURE THAT ALL CONTRACT AND JOINT VENTURE ARRANGEMENTS ARE IN ACCORDANCE WITH FEDERAL, STATE AND LOCAL LAWS AND RELATED REGULATIONS. IN ADDITION, ALL JOINT VENTURE AGREEMENTS ARE REQUIRED TO BE REVIEWED BY THE ORGANIZATION'S GENERAL COUNSEL.

PART VI, SECTION C, LINES 18 AND 19

THE ORGANIZATION DOES MAKE AVAILABLE ITS CONFLICT OF INTEREST POLICY, FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, FORM 990 RETURNS, AND FORM 1024 TO THE GENERAL PUBLIC. THE ORGANIZATION MAKES AVAILABLE ITS GOVERNING DOCUMENTS TO THE EXTENT REQUIRED BY LAW. THE PUBLIC CAN RECEIVE COPIES BY CONTACTING THE ORGANIZATION'S HEADQUARTERS. COPIES OF THE RETURNS CAN BE OBTAINED AT WWW.AOPA.ORG/ABOUT-AOPA/GOVERNANCE AND WWW.GUIDESTAR.ORG.

PART VII HOURS WORKED FOR THE AOPA FOUNDATION, INC.

MARK BAKER, KENNETH MEAD, ERICA SACCOIA AND TIMOTHY FORTUNE ARE FULL-TIME EMPLOYEES OF AIRCRAFT OWNERS & PILOTS ASSOCIATION (AOPA), ALTHOUGH THEY DEVOTE APPROXIMATELY TEN HOURS PER WEEK TO THE RELATED 501(C)(3) PUBLIC CHARITY ORGANIZATION: THE AOPA FOUNDATION, INC.

PART XI, LINE 9

THE \$2,700,000 IS RELATED TO SUBSIDIARY DIVIDEND.

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SCHEDULE G

ALLEGIANCE CREATIVE GROUP WAS PAID A TOTAL OF \$113,511 FOR SERVICES DURING THE YEAR FOR VARIOUS SERVICES. SERVICES FOR OUR MEMBERSHIP MARKETING TOTALED \$58,753 AND ADVISOR SERVICES FOR OUR FUNDRAISING TOTALED \$54,758.

ATTACHMENT 1

FORM 990, PART V, LINE 4B - FOREIGN COUNTRIES

BAHAMAS

BERMUDA

CAYMAN ISLANDS

IRELAND

ATTACHMENT 2

FORM 990, PART VI, LINE 17 - STATES

AL, AK, AR, CA, CO, CT,

DC, FL, GA, HI, IL, KS, KY, ME, MD, MA,

MN, MS, MO, NH, NJ, NY, NC, ND, OH, OK, PA,

RI, SC, TN, UT, VA, WA, WV, WI,

ATTACHMENT 3

990, PART VII- COMPENSATION OF THE FIVE HIGHEST PAID IND. CONTRACTORS

<u>NAME AND ADDRESS</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES</u>	<u>COMPENSATION</u>
BULKLEY DUNTON PUBLISHING GROUP PO BOX 644520 PITTSBURG, PA 15264	MAGAZINE PAPER	819,382.
MACH2 MGT INC 160 SCHOOL STREET VICTOR, NY 14564	EVENT MANAGEMENT	480,180.
QUAD GRAPHICS, INC.	MAGAZINE PRINTING	1,048,998.

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ATTACHMENT 3 (CONT'D)

990, PART VII- COMPENSATION OF THE FIVE HIGHEST PAID IND. CONTRACTORS

<u>NAME AND ADDRESS</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES</u>	<u>COMPENSATION</u>
75 REMITTANCE DRIVE CHICAGO, IL 60675		
ORISON CURPIER CO 73 MAIN STREET COOPERSTOWN, NY 13326	AD COMMISSIONS	1,156,988.
VALTIM INCORPORATED PO BOX 114 FOREST, VA 24551	FULFILLMENT	463,454.

**SCHEDULE R
(Form 990)**

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Name of the organization

AIRCRAFT OWNERS & PILOTS ASSOCIATION

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.

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

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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
(1)					
(2)					
(3)					
(4)					
(5)					
(6)					

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
(1) THE AOPA FOUNDATION, INC. 20-8817225 421 AVIATION WAY FREDERICK, MD 21701	CHARITABLE	MD	501(C)(3)	7	AOPA	X	
(2) AOPA POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEE 56-3014117 421 AVIATION WAY FREDERICK, MD 21701	PAC		527	N/A	AOPA	X	
(3)							
(4)							
(5)							
(6)							
(7)							

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

(a) Name, address, and EIN of related organization	(b) Primary activity	(c) Legal domicile (state or foreign country)	(d) Direct controlling entity	(e) Predominant income (related, unrelated, excluded from tax under sections 512-514)	(f) Share of total income	(g) Share of end-of-year assets	(h) Disproportionate allocations?		(i) Code V-UBI amount in box 20 of Schedule K-1 (Form 1065)	(j) General or managing partner?		(k) Percentage ownership
							Yes	No		Yes	No	
(1)												
(2)												
(3)												
(4)												
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(7)												

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

(a) Name, address, and EIN of related organization	(b) Primary activity	(c) Legal domicile (state or foreign country)	(d) Direct controlling entity	(e) Type of entity (C corp, S corp, or trust)	(f) Share of total income	(g) Share of end-of-year assets	(h) Percentage ownership	(i) Section 512(b)(13) controlled entity?	
								Yes	No
(1) AOPA INSURANCE AGENCY 1995 MIDFIELD ROAD WICHITA, KS 67209 52-1813554	INSURANCE	MD	N/A	C CORP	6,947,349.	5,906,844.	100.0000	X	
(2) AOPA HOLDINGS CORPORATION 421 AVIATION WAY FREDERICK, MD 21701 46-1036265	HOLDINGS COMP	DE	N/A	C CORP	7,012,711.	9,551,109.	100.0000	X	
(3)									
(4)									
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Part V Transactions With Related Organizations Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 34, 35b, or 36.

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

	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		X
b Gift, grant, or capital contribution to related organization(s)		X
c Gift, grant, or capital contribution from related organization(s)	X	
d Loans or loan guarantees to or for related organization(s)		X
e Loans or loan guarantees by related organization(s)		X
f Dividends from related organization(s)	X	
g Sale of assets to related organization(s)		X
h Purchase of assets from related organization(s)		X
i Exchange of assets with related organization(s)		X
j Lease of facilities, equipment, or other assets to related organization(s)		X
k Lease of facilities, equipment, or other assets from related organization(s)		X
l Performance of services or membership or fundraising solicitations for related organization(s)		X
m Performance of services or membership or fundraising solicitations by related organization(s)	X	
n Sharing of facilities, equipment, mailing lists, or other assets with related organization(s)	X	
o Sharing of paid employees with related organization(s)	X	
p Reimbursement paid to related organization(s) for expenses		X
q Reimbursement paid by related organization(s) for expenses	X	
r Other transfer of cash or property to related organization(s)	X	
s Other transfer of cash or property from related organization(s)		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 relationships and transaction thresholds.

(a) Name of related organization	(b) Transaction type (a-s)	(c) Amount involved	(d) Method of determining amount involved
(1) THE AOPA FOUNDATION, INC	C	1,845,759.	FMV
(2) AOPA HOLDINGS CORPORATION	R	4,241,156.	FMV
(3) THE AOPA FOUNDATION, INC	N, O, Q	3,397,003.	FMV
(4) AOPA INSURANCE AGENCY	Q	3,502,738.	FMV
(5) THE AOPA FOUNDATION, INC	R	211,148.	FMV
(6) AOPA HOLDINGS CORPORATION	N, O, Q	3,952,186.	FMV

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

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

	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	
b Gift, grant, or capital contribution to related organization(s)	1b	
c Gift, grant, or capital contribution from related organization(s)	1c	
d Loans or loan guarantees to or for related organization(s)	1d	
e Loans or loan guarantees by related organization(s)	1e	
f Dividends from related organization(s)	1f	
g Sale of assets to related organization(s)	1g	
h Purchase of assets from related organization(s)	1h	
i Exchange of assets with related organization(s)	1i	
j Lease of facilities, equipment, or other assets to related organization(s)	1j	
k Lease of facilities, equipment, or other assets from related organization(s)	1k	
l Performance of services or membership or fundraising solicitations for related organization(s)	1l	
m Performance of services or membership or fundraising solicitations by related organization(s)	1m	
n Sharing of facilities, equipment, mailing lists, or other assets with related organization(s)	1n	
o Sharing of paid employees with related organization(s)	1o	
p Reimbursement paid to related organization(s) for expenses	1p	
q Reimbursement paid by related organization(s) for expenses	1q	
r Other transfer of cash or property to related organization(s)	1r	
s Other transfer of cash or property from related organization(s)	1s	

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

(a) Name of related organization	(b) Transaction type (a-s)	(c) Amount involved	(d) Method of determining amount involved
(1) AOPA HOLDINGS CORPORATION	M	1,435,595.	FMV
(2) AOPA INSURANCE AGENCY	F	2,700,000.	FMV
(3)			
(4)			
(5)			
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Part VI **Unrelated Organizations Taxable as a Partnership** Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 37.

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

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

Complete this part to provide additional information for responses to questions on Schedule R (see instructions).
