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	Ω	00	Return of Organization Exempt From	n Income Tax	OMB No. 1545-0047						
For		90	Under section 501(c), 527, or 4947(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code (	except private foundations)	2019						
(Rev. January 2020) Department of the Treasury Department of the Treasury											
Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service Go to www.irs.gov/Form990 for instructions and the latest information.											
A For the 2019 calendar year, or tax year beginning JUL 1, 2019 and ending JUN 30, 2020											
B	heck if	<b>C</b> Name o	forganization	D Employer identificat	ion number						
	Addr chan		NIZATION FOR TROPICAL STUDIES, INC.								
	_chan	ge Doing b	usiness as	56-2125831							
	returr	n Number	and street (or P.O. box if mail is not delivered to street address) Room/su								
	Final returr termi	ñ-	SWIFT AVENUE	(919)684-5							
	ated Amer	City or t	own, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code	G Gross receipts \$	4,596,970.						
	_returr _Appli _tion		AM, NC 27705	H(a) Is this a group retur							
	⊥tiò'n pend	וא <sup>ing</sup> ראמשים וויי	nd address of principal officer: ELIZABETH BRAKER AS C ABOVE	for subordinates?							
				<b>H(b)</b> Are all subordinates includ							
			$X$ 501(c)(3) $\_$ 501(c) ( ) ◀ (insert no.) $\_$ 4947(a)(1) or $\_$ 5 <b>TROPICALSTUDIES.ORG</b>	527 If "No," attach a list H(c) Group exemption n							
				ear of formation: 1963 M St							
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	1		be the organization's mission or most significant activities: SEE PART	III. LINE 1.							
nce	·	Brieffy debolin		/							
Governance	2	Check this bo	x      x      if the organization discontinued its operations or disposed of m	ore than 25% of its net asset	s.						
ove	3		ting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1a)	1 1	11						
Ğ	4		lependent voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1b)		11						
es 8	5		of individuals employed in calendar year 2019 (Part V, line 2a)		9						
Activities &	6		of volunteers (estimate if necessary)		16						
<b>∖</b> cti	7 a		d business revenue from Part VIII, column (C), line 12		0.						
_	b	Net unrelated	business taxable income from Form 990-T, line 39	7b	0.						
				Prior Year	Current Year						
e	8	Contributions	and grants (Part VIII, line 1h)	1,756,277.	1,957,671.						
Revenue	9	-	ce revenue (Part VIII, line 2g)	2,490,442.	1,933,130.						
Bev	10		come (Part VIII, column (A), lines 3, 4, and 7d)	-48,253.	278,345.						
_	11		e (Part VIII, column (A), lines 5, 6d, 8c, 9c, 10c, and 11e)	26,728.	51,734.						
	12		- add lines 8 through 11 (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	4,225,194.	4,220,880.						
	13		milar amounts paid (Part IX, column (A), lines 1-3)	543,986.	341,434.						
	14	•	to or for members (Part IX, column (A), line 4)	0.	$\frac{0.}{2.169.522}$						
ses	15	Salaries, othe	r compensation, employee benefits (Part IX, column (A), lines 5-10)	2,798,457.	2,168,523.						
)en:	16a	Professional f	r compensation, employee benefits (Part IX, column (A), lines 5-10) undraising fees (Part IX, column (A), line 11e) ing expenses (Part IX, column (D), line 25) ▶ <u>386,830.</u>	0.	0.						
Expenses				2,447,475.	2,087,296.						
			es (Part IX, column (A), lines 11a-11d, 11f-24e)	5,789,918.	4,597,253.						
	18		s. Add lines 13-17 (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	-1,564,724.	-376,373.						
SS	19	Revenue less	expenses. Subtract line 18 from line 12	Beginning of Current Year	End of Year						
Net Assets or Fund Balances	20	Total assets (I	Part X, line 16)	15,138,124.	14,551,927.						
Ass Bal	20		(Part X, line 26)	840,864.	667,831.						
Net- und	22		fund balances. Subtract line 21 from line 20	14,297,260.	13,884,096.						
	art II			, - ,	, , , ,						
		_	I declare that I have examined this return, including accompanying schedules and stat	tements, and to the best of my kn	owledge and belief, it is						
			. Declaration of preparer (other than officer) is based on all information of which prepa								

Sign Here	Signature of officer	Date
	ELIZABETH BRAKER, CEO	
	Type or print name and title	
	Print/Type preparer's name Rreparer's signature	Date Check PTIN
Paid	RICHARD J. LOCASTRO, CPA Rubard b. hoeastra	01/21/21 <sup>if</sup> self-employed P00288314
Preparer	Firm's name 🕒 GELMAN, ROSENBERG & FREEDMAN	Firm's EIN ▶ 52-1392008
Use Only	Firm's address 4550 MONTGOMERY AVE SUITE 800N	
	BETHESDA, MD 20814-2930	Phone no. (301) 951-9090
May the II	RS discuss this return with the preparer shown above? (see instructions)	X Yes No
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4e	Total program service expenses 3,263,549.
4d	Other program services (Describe on Schedule O.)         (Expenses \$ including grants of \$ ) (Revenue \$ )
	CONSERVATION PROJECTS AT, AND IN THE VICINITY OF, ITS FIELD STATIONS.
	FACILITATED RESEARCH AND CONSERVATION: THE ORGANIZATION RECEIVES GRAN AND CONTRACTS TO SUPPORT SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH AT ITS FIELD STATIONS AN
4c	(Code: ) (Expenses \$ 720,174. including grants of \$ 281,965.) (Revenue \$
	CRUCES, AND PALO VERDE). THESE FIELD STATIONS ARE MAINTAINED TO FACILITATE BIOLOGICAL RESEARCH AND TO CONDUCT EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS.
	STATIONS IN DIVERSE ECOLOGICAL ZONES OF COSTA RICA (LA SELVA, LAS
4b	(Code: ) (Expenses \$ 1,448,578. including grants of \$ 59,469.) (Revenue \$ 1,250,37 FIELD STATIONS: THE ORGANIZATION OPERATES THREE BIOLOGICAL FIELD
	SCIENTISTS FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC IN COSTA RICA, AND PROGRAMS FOR PRIMARY AND SECONDARY SCHOOL TEACHERS.
	LATIN AMERICAN OFFICIALS AND POLICY- MAKERS, SHORT EXCURSIONS LED BY
	UNDERGRADUATE SEMESTER- ABROAD PROGRAMS FOR ACADEMIC CREDIT. THE ORGANIZATION HAS OFFERED MID-CAREER PROFESSIONAL TRAINING FOR U.S. AN
	PROGRAMS, INCLUDING GRADUATE COURSES FOR ACADEMIC CREDIT AND
4a	(Code:) (Expenses \$ 1,094,797. including grants of \$) (Revenue \$ 682,75         EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS: THE ORGANIZATION CONDUCTS A NUMBER OF EDUCATION
	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.
4	Describe the organization's program service accomplishments for each of its three largest program services, as measured by expenses.
3	Did the organization cease conducting, or make significant changes in how it conducts, any program services? Yes If "Yes," describe these changes on Schedule O.
	prior Form 990 or 990-EZ?
2	Did the organization undertake any significant program services during the year which were not listed on the
	SUPPORTED BY A CONSORTIUM OF INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER LEARNING IN NORTH CENTRAL, AND SOUTH AMERICA, AUSTRALIA, AND SOUTH AFRICA. OTS'S PURPOS
	NON PROFIT CORPORATION UNDER THE LAWS OF NORTH CAROLINA AND IS
1	Briefly describe the organization's mission: THE ORGANIZATION FOR TROPICAL STUDIES, INC. (OTS) IS CHARTERED AS A
	Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part III
	1 990 (2019) ORGANIZATION FOR TROPICAL STUDIES, INC. 56-2125831 P rt III   Statement of Program Service Accomplishments

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			Yes	No
1	Is the organization described in section 501(c)(3) or 4947(a)(1) (other than a private foundation)?			
	If "Yes," complete Schedule A	1	Х	
2	Is the organization required to complete Schedule B, Schedule of Contributors?	2	Х	
3	Did the organization engage in direct or indirect political campaign activities on behalf of or in opposition to candidates for			
	public office? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part I	3		X
4	Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Did the organization engage in lobbying activities, or have a section 501(h) election in effect during the tax year? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part II	4		x
5	Is the organization a section 501(c)(4), 501(c)(5), or 501(c)(6) organization that receives membership dues, assessments, or	-		
5	similar amounts as defined in Revenue Procedure 98-19? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part III	5		x
6	Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds or any similar funds or accounts for which donors have the right to			
	provide advice on the distribution or investment of amounts in such funds or accounts? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part I	6		X
7	Did the organization receive or hold a conservation easement, including easements to preserve open space,			
	the environment, historic land areas, or historic structures? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part II	7		X
8	Did the organization maintain collections of works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part III</i>	8		x
9	Did the organization report an amount in Part X, line 21, for escrow or custodial account liability, serve as a custodian for	-		
Ū	amounts not listed in Part X; or provide credit counseling, debt management, credit repair, or debt negotiation services? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part IV	9		x
10	Did the organization, directly or through a related organization, hold assets in donor-restricted endowments			
	or in quasi endowments? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part V	10	Х	
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.			
а	Did the organization report an amount for land, buildings, and equipment in Part X, line 10? If "Yes," complete Schedule D,			
	Part VI	11a	Х	
b	Did the organization report an amount for investments - other securities in Part X, line 12, that is 5% or more of its total			
	assets reported in Part X, line 16? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VII	11b	Х	
с	Did the organization report an amount for investments - program related in Part X, line 13, that is 5% or more of its total			
	assets reported in Part X, line 16? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VIII	11c		X
d	Did the organization report an amount for other assets in Part X, line 15, that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in			
	Part X, line 16? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part IX	11d		X
	Did the organization report an amount for other liabilities in Part X, line 25? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X	11e		X
f	Did the organization's separate or consolidated financial statements for the tax year include a footnote that addresses			
	the organization's liability for uncertain tax positions under FIN 48 (ASC 740)? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X	11f	Х	<u> </u>
12a	Did the organization obtain separate, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Parts XI and XII	12a		x
b	Was the organization included in consolidated, independent audited financial statements for the tax year?			
	If "Yes," and if the organization answered "No" to line 12a, then completing Schedule D, Parts XI and XII is optional	12b	Х	
13	Is the organization a school described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? If "Yes," complete Schedule E	13		X
	Did the organization maintain an office, employees, or agents outside of the United States?	14a	Х	
b	Did the organization have aggregate revenues or expenses of more than \$10,000 from grantmaking, fundraising, business,			
	investment, and program service activities outside the United States, or aggregate foreign investments valued at \$100,000			
	or more? If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts I and IV	14b	X	
15	Did the organization report on Part IX, column (A), line 3, more than \$5,000 of grants or other assistance to or for any			v
10	foreign organization? If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts II and IV	15		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</i> "Yes," <i>complete Schedule F, Parts III and IV</i>	16	х	
17	Did the organization report a total of more than \$15,000 of expenses for professional fundraising services on Part IX,			
	column (A), lines 6 and 11e? If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part I	17		Х
18	Did the organization report more than \$15,000 total of fundraising event gross income and contributions on Part VIII, lines			
	1c and 8a? If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part II	18		X
19	Did the organization report more than \$15,000 of gross income from gaming activities on Part VIII, line 9a? If "Yes,"			
	complete Schedule G, Part III	19		X
	Did the organization operate one or more hospital facilities? If "Yes," complete Schedule H	20a		X
b	If "Yes" to line 20a, did the organization attach a copy of its audited financial statements to this return?	20b		<u> </u>
21	Did the organization report more than \$5,000 of grants or other assistance to any domestic organization or			
	domestic government on Part IX, column (A), line 1? If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and II	21	000	X
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			Yes	No
22	Did the organization report more than \$5,000 of grants or other assistance to or for domestic individuals on Part IX, column (A), line 2? If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and III	22	x	
23	Did the organization answer "Yes" to Part VII, Section A, line 3, 4, or 5 about compensation of the organization's current			
	and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, and highest compensated employees? If "Yes," complete Schedule J	23	x	
24a	Did the organization have a tax-exempt bond issue with an outstanding principal amount of more than \$100,000 as of the			
	last day of the year, that was issued after December 31, 2002? If "Yes," answer lines 24b through 24d and complete			
	Schedule K. If "No," go to line 25a	24a		X
b	Did the organization invest any proceeds of tax-exempt bonds beyond a temporary period exception?	24b		
С	Did the organization maintain an escrow account other than a refunding escrow at any time during the year to defease			
	any tax-exempt bonds?	24c		
	Did the organization act as an "on behalf of" issuer for bonds outstanding at any time during the year?	24d		
25a	Section 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations. Did the organization engage in an excess benefit	0.5		x
<b>b</b>	transaction with a disqualified person during the year? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I	25a		
D	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</i> "Yes," <i>complete Schedule L, Part I</i>	25b		x
26	Did the organization report any amount on Part X, line 5 or 22, for receivables from or payables to any current			
	or former officer, director, trustee, key employee, creator or founder, substantial contributor, or 35%			
	controlled entity or family member of any of these persons? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part II	26		X
27	Did the organization provide a grant or other assistance to any current or former officer, director, trustee, key employee,			
	creator or founder, substantial contributor or employee thereof, a grant selection committee member, or to a 35% controlled			37
	entity (including an employee thereof) or family member of any of these persons? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part III	27		X
28	Was the organization a party to a business transaction with one of the following parties (see Schedule L, Part IV			
_	instructions, for applicable filing thresholds, conditions, and exceptions):			
а	A current or former officer, director, trustee, key employee, creator or founder, or substantial contributor? If	28a		x
h	"Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV	20a		X
	A 35% controlled entity of one or more individuals and/or organizations described in lines 28a or 28b?/	200		
Ŭ	"Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV	28c		x
29	Did the organization receive more than \$25,000 in non-cash contributions? If "Yes," complete Schedule M	29	X	
30	Did the organization receive contributions of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets, or qualified conservation contributions? <i>If</i> "Yes," <i>complete Schedule M</i>	30		x
31	Did the organization liquidate, terminate, or dissolve and cease operations? If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part I	31		X
32	Did the organization sell, exchange, dispose of, or transfer more than 25% of its net assets? If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part II	32		x
33	Did the organization own 100% of an entity disregarded as separate from the organization under Regulations			
	sections 301.7701-2 and 301.7701-3? If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part I	33		X
34	Was the organization related to any tax-exempt or taxable entity? If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part II, III, or IV, and Part V, line 1	34	x	
35a	Did the organization have a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)?	35a	Х	
b	If "Yes" to line 35a, did the organization receive any payment from or engage in any transaction with a controlled entity		37	
	within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2	35b	X	
36	Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization?	00		x
37	If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2 Did the organization conduct more than 5% of its activities through an entity that is not a related organization	36		
51	and that is treated as a partnership for federal income tax purposes? If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part VI	37		x
38	Did the organization complete Schedule O and provide explanations in Schedule O for Part VI, lines 11b and 19?	- 07		
	Note: All Form 990 filers are required to complete Schedule O	38	x	
Par				
	Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part V			
			Yes	No
1a	Enter the number reported in Box 3 of Form 1096. Enter -0- if not applicable 1a			
	Enter the number of Forms W-2G included in line 1a. Enter -0- if not applicable 1b			
С	Did the organization comply with backup withholding rules for reportable payments to vendors and reportable gaming			
	(gambling) winnings to prize winners?	1c	X	
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Part V State	ements Regarding Other IRS	Filings	and Tax Con	npliance (contin	ued)

					Yes	No		
2a	Enter the number of employees reported on Form W-3, Transmittal of Wage and Tax Statements,							
	filed for the calendar year ending with or within the year covered by this return	2a	9					
b	If at least one is reported on line 2a, did the organization file all required federal employment tax retur	ms?		2b	Х			
	Note: If the sum of lines 1a and 2a is greater than 250, you may be required to e-file (see instructions	s)						
3a	Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year?			3a		Х		
b	If "Yes," has it filed a Form 990-T for this year? If "No" to line 3b, provide an explanation on Schedule	Ο		3b				
4a	4a At any time during the calendar year, did the organization have an interest in, or a signature or other authority over, a							
	financial account in a foreign country (such as a bank account, securities account, or other financial	accol	int)?	4a	Х			
b	If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country  COSTA RICA, SOUTH AFRICA							
	See instructions for filing requirements for FinCEN Form 114, Report of Foreign Bank and Financial A	ccoui	nts (FBAR).			37		
5a	Was the organization a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction at any time during the tax year?			5a		X		
b	Did any taxable party notify the organization that it was or is a party to a prohibited tax shelter transa			5b		Х		
	If "Yes" to line 5a or 5b, did the organization file Form 8886-T?			5c				
6a	Does the organization have annual gross receipts that are normally greater than \$100,000, and did the	-		0-		x		
h	any contributions that were not tax deductible as charitable contributions?			6a				
b			or gints	Gh				
7	were not tax deductible? Organizations that may receive deductible contributions under section 170(c).			6b				
'a	Did the organization receive a payment in excess of \$75 made partly as a contribution and partly for goods and ser	vices	provided to the payor?	7a		х		
b			forded to the payor.	7b				
	Did the organization sell, exchange, or otherwise dispose of tangible personal property for which it w							
-	to file Form 8282?			7c		Х		
d	If "Yes," indicate the number of Forms 8282 filed during the year	7d						
е	Did the organization receive any funds, directly or indirectly, to pay premiums on a personal benefit c	ontra	ct?	7e		Х		
f	f Did the organization, during the year, pay premiums, directly or indirectly, on a personal benefit contract?							
g	g If the organization received a contribution of qualified intellectual property, did the organization file Form 8899 as required?							
h	If the organization received a contribution of cars, boats, airplanes, or other vehicles, did the organization	ation	ile a Form 1098-C?	7h				
8	Sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds. Did a donor advised fund maintained	l by th						
	sponsoring organization have excess business holdings at any time during the year?		N/A	8				
9	Sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds.							
а	Did the sponsoring organization make any taxable distributions under section 4966?			9a				
b	Did the sponsoring organization make a distribution to a donor, donor advisor, or related person?		N/A	9b				
10	Section 501(c)(7) organizations. Enter:	مدا	I					
a	Initiation fees and capital contributions included on Part VIII, line 12 N/A	10a						
b	Gross receipts, included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, for public use of club facilities	10b						
11	Section 501(c)(12) organizations. Enter: Gross income from members or shareholders N/A	11a	1					
	Gross income from other sources (Do not net amounts due or paid to other sources against							
5	amounts due or received from them.)	11b						
12a	Section 4947(a)(1) non-exempt charitable trusts. Is the organization filing Form 990 in lieu of Form		?	12a				
		12b						
13	Section 501(c)(29) qualified nonprofit health insurance issuers.							
а	Is the organization licensed to issue qualified health plans in more than one state?		N/A	13a				
	Note: See the instructions for additional information the organization must report on Schedule O.							
b	Enter the amount of reserves the organization is required to maintain by the states in which the							
	organization is licensed to issue qualified health plans	13b						
с	Enter the amount of reserves on hand	13c						
				14a		Х		
	If "Yes," has it filed a Form 720 to report these payments? If "No," provide an explanation on Schedu			14b		<u> </u>		
15	Is the organization subject to the section 4960 tax on payment(s) of more than \$1,000,000 in remune			. –		v		
	excess parachute payment(s) during the year?			15		X		
10	If "Yes," see instructions and file Form 4720, Schedule N.	<b></b>		40		Х		
16	Is the organization an educational institution subject to the section 4968 excise tax on net investment if "Vac " complete Form 4720. Schedule O	nt inco	ome?	16				
	If "Yes," complete Form 4720, Schedule O.							

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

	tion A. Governing Body and Management			
			Vee	Т
1	Enter the number of voting members of the governing body at the end of the tax year 1a 11		Yes	╉
	If there are material differences in voting rights among members of the governing body, or if the governing			
	body delegated broad authority to an executive committee or similar committee, explain on Schedule 0.			
	Did any officer, director, trustee, or key employee have a family relationship or a business relationship with any other	•		1
	officer, director, trustee, or key employee?	2		-
	Did the organization delegate control over management duties customarily performed by or under the direct supervision			
	of officers, directors, trustees, or key employees to a management company or other person?	3		_
	Did the organization make any significant changes to its governing documents since the prior Form 990 was filed?	4		_
	Did the organization become aware during the year of a significant diversion of the organization's assets?	5	v	_
	Did the organization have members or stockholders?	6	Х	_
	Did the organization have members, stockholders, or other persons who had the power to elect or appoint one or			
	more members of the governing body?	7a	Х	_
b	Are any governance decisions of the organization reserved to (or subject to approval by) members, stockholders, or			
	persons other than the governing body?	7b		
8	Did the organization contemporaneously document the meetings held or written actions undertaken during the year by the following:			
а	The governing body?	8a	Х	
b	Each committee with authority to act on behalf of the governing body?	8b	Х	
9	Is there any officer, director, trustee, or key employee listed in Part VII, Section A, who cannot be reached at the			
	organization's mailing address? If "Yes," provide the names and addresses on Schedule O	9		
ect	tion B. Policies (This Section B requests information about policies not required by the Internal Revenue Code.)			
			Yes	
0a	Did the organization have local chapters, branches, or affiliates?	10a		
	If "Yes," did the organization have written policies and procedures governing the activities of such chapters, affiliates,			
	and branches to ensure their operations are consistent with the organization's exempt purposes?	10b		
	Has the organization provided a complete copy of this Form 990 to all members of its governing body before filing the form?	11a	Х	
	Describe in Schedule O the process, if any, used by the organization to review this Form 990.			
	Did the organization have a written conflict of interest policy? If "No," go to line 13	12a	х	
	Were officers, directors, or trustees, and key employees required to disclose annually interests that could give rise to conflicts?	12b	Х	-
	Did the organization regularly and consistently monitor and enforce compliance with the policy? If "Yes," describe	12.0		-
		12c	х	
	in Schedule O how this was done	13	X	-
		13	X	-
	Did the organization have a written document retention and destruction policy?	14		-
	Did the process for determining compensation of the following persons include a review and approval by independent			
	persons, comparability data, and contemporaneous substantiation of the deliberation and decision?		v	
	The organization's CEO, Executive Director, or top management official	15a	Х	_
	Other officers or key employees of the organization	15b		_
	If "Yes" to line 15a or 15b, describe the process in Schedule O (see instructions).			
	Did the organization invest in, contribute assets to, or participate in a joint venture or similar arrangement with a			l
	taxable entity during the year?	16a		_
	If "Yes," did the organization follow a written policy or procedure requiring the organization to evaluate its participation			
	in joint venture arrangements under applicable federal tax law, and take steps to safeguard the organization's			
	exempt status with respect to such arrangements?	16b		_
	tion C. Disclosure			_
7	List the states with which a copy of this Form 990 is required to be filed $\blacktriangleright$ SEE SCHEDULE O			_
8	Section 6104 requires an organization to make its Forms 1023 (1024 or 1024-A, if applicable), 990, and 990-T (Section 501(c)(3)	)s only	) avai	il
	for public inspection. Indicate how you made these available. Check all that apply.			
	X Own website Another's website X Upon request Other (explain on Schedule O)			
9	Describe on Schedule O whether (and if so, how) the organization made its governing documents, conflict of interest policy, an	d finar	ncial	
	statements available to the public during the tax year.			
	State the name, address, and telephone number of the person who possesses the organization's books and records			
	MIGUEL MENDEZ G (919)684-5774			-
	408 SWIFT AVENUE, DURHAM, NC 27705			
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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.

See instructions for the order in which to list the persons above.

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

(A)	(B)	(B) (C)						(D)	(E)	(F)
Name and title	Average	(do	not c	Pos	ition	) than	one	Reportable	Reportable	Estimated
	hours per	box	, unle	ss pe	rson	is bot pr/trus	h an	compensation	compensation	amount of
	week	<u> </u>	cer ar		lirecto	n/irus	lee)	from	from related	other
	(list any	irecto						the	organizations	compensation
	hours for related	e or d	tee			sated		organization (W-2/1099-MISC)	(W-2/1099-MISC)	from the organization
	organizations	ruste	l trus		/ee	mpen		(00-2/1033-10130)		and related
	below	d ual t	utiona		nploy	st co	5			organizations
	line)	Individual trustee or director	Institutional trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Forme			U
(1) GEORGE MIDDENDORF III	2.00									
CHAIRPERSON (FROM 11/19)		X		X				0.	0.	0.
(2) JAMES PRAGER	12.00									
TREASURER AND CEO (UNTIL 11/19)		X		X				0.	0.	0.
(3) ELIZABETH BRAKER	12.00									
TREASURER AND CEO (FROM 11/19)		X		X				0.	0.	0.
(4) SUSAN CORDELL	1.00									
DIRECTOR		X						0.	0.	0.
(5) KYLE HARMS	1.00									
DIRECTOR		X						0.	0.	0.
(6) BRYAN HEIDORN	1.00									
DIRECTOR		X						0.	0.	0.
(7) ANDRE KESSLER	1.00									
DIRECTOR		X						0.	0.	0.
(8) GABRIEL MACAYA	1.00									
DIRECTOR		X						0.	0.	0.
(9) OSCAR ROCHA	1.00									
DIRECTOR		Х						0.	0.	0.
(10) IVAN SANDOVAL	1.00									
DIRECTOR		Х						0.	0.	0.
(11) ALVARO UMANA	1.00									
DIRECTOR		Х						0.	0.	0.
(12) CHELSEA WARD	1.00								_	_
DIRECTOR		X						0.	0.	0.
(13) MIGUEL MENDEZ	40.00								_	
CFO				Х				79,258.	0.	10,827.
(14) JAMES BOYLE	40.00								_	
VP OF DEVELOPMENT						Х		125,470.	0.	35,955.
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Par	t VII Section A. Officers, Directors, Trus	tees, Key Em	ploy	vees	, and	d Hi	ghe	st C	Compensated Employe	es (continued)				
	(A) Name and title	<b>(B)</b> Average hours per week	box	not c , unle	ss pe	ition more rson i	than is bot or/trus	h an	<b>(D)</b> Reportable compensation from	(E) Reportable compensatio from related	on	an	(F) stimate nount o other	
		(list any hours for related organizations below line)	Individual trustee or director	Institutional trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former	the organization (W-2/1099-MISC)	organizatior (W-2/1099-MI		compensation from the organization and related organization		e ion ed
1h	Subtotal								204,728.		0.	4	6,7	82.
с	Total from continuation sheets to Part VI Total (add lines 1b and 1c)	I, Section A							0.		0.		6,7	0.
2	Total number of individuals (including but n compensation from the organization	ot limited to th	iose	liste	ed al	oove	e) wł	no re	eceived more than \$10	0,000 of reportab	le		N	1
3	Did the organization list any <b>former</b> officer, line 1a? <i>If</i> "Yes," <i>complete Schedule J for</i> s				•	-		Ŭ	phest compensated em	-		3	Yes	No X
4	For any individual listed on line 1a, is the su and related organizations greater than \$150	um of reportab 0,000? <i>If "Yes,</i>	le co " <i>co</i>	omp <i>mple</i>	ensa ete S	atior Sche	n and edule	d otl e <i>J f</i>	her compensation from for such individual	the organization		4	x	
5 Sec	Did any person listed on line 1a receive or a rendered to the organization? <i>If</i> "Yes," comtion <b>B. Independent Contractors</b>								•			5		Х
1	Complete this table for your five highest co the organization. Report compensation for										npens	ation f	rom	
	(A) Name and business			ONI		VILII			(B) Description of s		С	(C compe		n
								_						
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2	Total number of independent contractors (i \$100,000 of compensation from the organi	•	ot lii	mite	d to		se lis )	stec	d above) who received r	nore than		Form	<b>990</b> //	2010)
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		I Statement of Re									-
		Check if Schedule O	conta	ains a respons	se c	or note to any li		(B)		(C)	
							(A) Total revenue	Related or ex	tame		<b>(D)</b> Revenue exclud
								function rev		business revenue	from tax unde
0											sections 512 -
and Other Similar Amounts		Federated campaigns					4				
		Membership dues					4				
Z		Fundraising events				22E 011	4				
		Related organizations				335,041.	-				
		Government grants (cont				959,774.	4				
e	f	All other contributions, gifts,	-								
5		similar amounts not included				662,856.	4				
	•	Noncash contributions included in				27,552.					
a	h	Total. Add lines 1a-1f			<u></u>		1,957,671	•			
			'nпа		ł	Business Code	1 1 2 2 2 2 7	1 1 2 2 0	27		
		FACILITIES FE			_	900099	1,123,027				
e	b	TUITION AND FEES			_		555,403				
el (el	С	MEMBER DUES			-	900099	254,700	. 254,7	00.		
Hevenue	d				-						
	е				_						
	f	All other program service					1 0 2 2 1 2 0				
_		Total. Add lines 2a-2f					1,933,130	•			
	3	Investment income (inclue					122 505				122 50
		other similar amounts)					132,585	•			132,58
	4	Income from investment of		•		•					
	5	Royalties			·····						
	_	_		(i) Real		(ii) Personal	4				
		Gross rents	6a				4				
			6b				4				
		Rental income or (loss)	6c								
		Net rental income or (loss	)								
	7 a	Gross amount from sales of		(i) Securities		(ii) Other 33,784.	4				
	_	assets other than inventory	7a	488,066	· ·	55,/04.	4				
	b	Less: cost or other basis	L	275 025	-	265.					
		and sales expenses	7b	375,825	· ·		4				
		Gain or (loss)					145,760				145,76
		Net gain or (loss)			····	<b>&gt;</b>	145,700	•			145,70
	8 a	Gross income from fundraisi									
		including \$									
		contributions reported on		· ·							
		Part IV, line 18			8a or		-				
		Less: direct expenses			8b	<b>&gt;</b>		-			
		Net income or (loss) from		т	s. T	····· ►					
	9 a	Gross income from gamir									
	h	Part IV, line 19			9a 0h		-				
		Less: direct expenses			9b	<b></b>					
		Net income or (loss) from			 T	🕨					
	iu a	Gross sales of inventory,									
	h	and allowances Less: cost of goods sold			0a 0b						
+	С	Net income or (loss) from	sale	s or inventory	 T	Business Code					
	11 -	MISCELLANEOUS	5		┢	900099	31,447				31,44
ΞL	11 a b	INSURANCE REC		ERY	-	900099	20,287				20,28
Heven					-	200023	20,207	•			20,20
r F	c d	All other revenue			-			+			
		All other revenue			_	<b></b>	51,734				
		Total. Add lines 11a-11d					4,220,880		30	0	330,07
	12	Total revenue. See instruction	112			<b>P</b>	-,220,000	•   · , · · · · · · · ·	50.	U •	Form <b>990</b> (2

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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			<u>(0)</u>	X
	not include amounts reported on lines 6b, 8b, 9b, and 10b of Part VIII.	<b>(A)</b> Total expenses	<b>(B)</b> Program service expenses	(C) Management and general expenses	<b>(D)</b> Fundraising expenses
1	Grants and other assistance to domestic organizations and domestic governments. See Part IV, line 21				
2	Grants and other assistance to domestic individuals. See Part IV, line 22	15,286.	15,286.		
3	Grants and other assistance to foreign organizations, foreign governments, and foreign				
	individuals. See Part IV, lines 15 and 16	326,148.	326,148.		
4	Benefits paid to or for members				
5	Compensation of current officers, directors,				
	trustees, and key employees	91,278.		91,278.	
6	Compensation not included above to disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)) and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B)				
7	Other salaries and wages	1,476,356.	936,423.	319,442.	220,491.
8	Pension plan accruals and contributions (include		-		
	section 401(k) and 403(b) employer contributions)	51,175.	30,179.	14,811.	6,185, 63,240,
9	Other employee benefits	512,267.	308,562.	140,465.	63,240
10	Payroll taxes	37,447.	22,083.	10,838.	4,526.
11	Fees for services (nonemployees):				
	Management	7,898.	4,847.	3,051.	
		70,741.	4,847.	65,898.	
	Accounting	/0,/41•	4,043.	05,090.	
	Lobbying Professional fundraising services. See Part IV, line 17				
f	Investment management fees	19,600.		19,600.	
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5	column (A) amount, list line 11g expenses on Sch O.)	576,942.	474,287.	42,948.	59,707
12	Advertising and promotion	13,138.	13,138.		
13	Office expenses	79,331.	52,318.	19,712.	7,301.
14	Information technology				
15	Royalties	116 115	105 500	0.050	1 224
16		116,115. 492,682.	105,523. 465,334.	9,258. 19,227.	1,334. 8,121.
17		492,002.	405,554.	19,22/•	0,121
18	Payments of travel or entertainment expenses for any federal, state, or local public officials				
19	Conferences, conventions, and meetings				
20	Interest				
21	Payments to affiliates				
22	Depreciation, depletion, and amortization	269,226.	256,072.	12,842.	312.
23	Insurance	71,849.	18,303.	53,546.	
24	Other expenses. Itemize expenses not covered above (List miscellaneous expenses on line 24e. If line 24e amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A) amount, list line 24e expenses on Schedule 0.)				
а		103,655.	99,778.	1,884.	1,993.
b	MATERIALS AND SUPPLIES	84,126.	79,636.	4,307.	183.
с	BAD DEBT EXPENSE	82,014.		82,014.	
d	BLDG & EQUIP. MAINT.	77,954.	64,031.	11,315.	2,608.
е	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	22,025.	-13,242.	24,438.	10,829.
25	Total functional expenses. Add lines 1 through 24e	4,597,253.	3,263,549.	946,874.	386,830.
26	Joint costs. Complete this line only if the organization				
	reported in column (B) joint costs from a combined				
	educational campaign and fundraising solicitation.				
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Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances

15,138,124.

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14,551,927

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Savings and temporary cash investments

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

Cash - non-interest-bearing

	3	Pledges and grants receivable, net			292,133.	3	100,443.
	4	Accounts receivable, net			172,874.	4	57,905.
	5	Loans and other receivables from any current o	r former o	officer, director,			
		trustee, key employee, creator or founder, subs	tantial co	ontributor, or 35%			
		controlled entity or family member of any of the	se persoi	ns		5	
Assets	6	Loans and other receivables from other disquali					
		under section 4958(f)(1)), and persons describe	d in sect	ion 4958(c)(3)(B)		6	
	7	Notes and loans receivable, net				7	
	8	Inventories for sale or use		F	8,569.	8	43,463.
	9				72,028.	9	5,556.
	10a	Land, buildings, and equipment: cost or other					
		basis. Complete Part VI of Schedule D	10a	6,602,382.			
	b	Less: accumulated depreciation		3,489,269.	2,917,645.	10c	3,113,113.
	11	Investments - publicly traded securities			6,833,579.	11	6,419,565.
	12	Investments - other securities. See Part IV, line			3,912,102.	12	3,724,051.
	13	Investments - program-related. See Part IV, line				13	
	14	Intangible assets		F		14	
	15	Other assets. See Part IV, line 11			270,054.	15	255,065.
	16	Total assets. Add lines 1 through 15 (must equ			15,138,124.	16	14,551,927.
	17	Accounts payable and accrued expenses			634,207.	17	331,149.
	18	Grants payable				18	
	19	Deferred revenue			206,657.	19	212,582.
	20	Tax-exempt bond liabilities			20		
	21	Escrow or custodial account liability. Complete		21			
ŝ	22	Loans and other payables to any current or form	ner office	er, director,			
Liabilities		trustee, key employee, creator or founder, subs	tantial co	ontributor, or 35%			
		controlled entity or family member of any of the	se persoi	ns		22	
	23	Secured mortgages and notes payable to unrela	ated third	parties		23	
	24	Unsecured notes and loans payable to unrelate	d third pa	arties		24	124,100.
	25	Other liabilities (including federal income tax, pa	yables to	o related third			
		parties, and other liabilities not included on lines	s <b>1</b> 7-24).	Complete Part X			
		of Schedule D				25	
	26		<u></u>		840,864.	26	667,831.
ю		Organizations that follow FASB ASC 958, che	eck here				
e S		and complete lines 27, 28, 32, and 33.					
alar	27	Net assets without donor restrictions			4,058,162.	27	3,883,618.
ñ	28	Net assets with donor restrictions			10,239,098.	28	10,000,478.
ŭ		Organizations that do not follow FASB ASC 9	58, chec	k here ▶ 🛄 🛛			
et Assets or Fund Balances		and complete lines 29 through 33.					
ts	29	Capital stock or trust principal, or current funds	·····		29		
sse	30	Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, building, or ec				30	
ΪÀ	31	Retained earnings, endowment, accumulated in	r other funds	11 000 000	31		
Ř	32	Total net assets or fund balances			14,297,260.	32	13,884,096.

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> (A) Beginning of year

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492,825.

166,315.

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**(B)** End of year

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666,402.

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Part X Balance Sheet

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Pa	rt XI Reconciliation of Net Assets				
	Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part XI	<u></u>			X
1	Total revenue (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	1	4,22		
2	Total expenses (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	2	4,59	97,2	53.
3	Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 2 from line 1	3		76,3	
4	Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (must equal Part X, line 32, column (A))	4	14,29		
5	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	5	-2	21,8	02.
6	Donated services and use of facilities	6			
7	Investment expenses	7			
8	Prior period adjustments	8			
9	Other changes in net assets or fund balances (explain on Schedule O)	9	-1	4,9	89.
10	Net assets or fund balances at end of year. Combine lines 3 through 9 (must equal Part X, line 32,				
	column (B))	10	13,88	34,0	96.
Pa	rt XII Financial Statements and Reporting				
	Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part XII				
				Yes	No
1	Accounting method used to prepare the Form 990: Cash X Accrual Other				
	If the organization changed its method of accounting from a prior year or checked "Other," explain in Schedule	Ο.			
2a	Were the organization's financial statements compiled or reviewed by an independent accountant?		2a		X
	If "Yes," check a box below to indicate whether the financial statements for the year were compiled or reviewe	d 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?		2b	Х	
	If "Yes," check a box below to indicate whether the financial statements for the year were audited on a separat	e basis	5,		
	consolidated basis, or both:				
	Separate basis				
с	If "Yes" to line 2a or 2b, does the organization have a committee that assumes responsibility for oversight of the	e audit	,		
	review, or compilation of its financial statements and selection of an independent accountant?		2c	X	
	If the organization changed either its oversight process or selection process during the tax year, explain on Sc	nedule	0.		
3a	As a result of a federal award, was the organization required to undergo an audit or audits as set forth in the Si	ngle Au	ıdit		
	Act and OMB Circular A-133?		3a	Х	
b	If "Yes," did the organization undergo the required audit or audits? If the organization did not undergo the requ	ired au	dit		
	or audits, explain why on Schedule O and describe any steps taken to undergo such audits		3b	X	

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SCHEDULE A	
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# Public Charity Status and Public Support Complete if the organization is a section 501(c)(3) organization or a section

4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust.

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2019
Open to Public Inspection

		nue Service			v/Form990 for instruction			nformation.			Inspection
Nan	ne of t	he organizati	-						Employer	identi	fication number
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Pa	nrt I	Reason	for Public (	Charity Status (	All organizations must co	omplete th	iis part.) Se	ee instructions	S.		
The	organ	ization is not a	ı private found	lation because it is:	(For lines 1 through 12, o	check only	one box.)				
1		A church, cor	nvention of ch	urches, or associati	on of churches describe	d in <b>sectio</b>	on 170(b)( <sup>.</sup>	1)(A)(i).			
2		A school des	cribed in <b>sect</b> i	ion 170(b)(1)(A)(ii).	(Attach Schedule E (Forn	n 990 or 9	90-EZ).)				
3		A hospital or	a cooperative	hospital service org	anization described in <b>s</b> e	ection 170	)(b)(1)(A)(i	ii).			
4		A medical res	earch organiz	ation operated in co	onjunction with a hospita	l describe	d in <b>sectio</b>	n 170(b)(1)(A	<b>)(iii).</b> Enter	the hos	spital's name,
		city, and state	e:								
5		An organizati	on operated fo	or the benefit of a co	ollege or university owne	d or opera	ted by a g	overnmental u	unit descrik	oed in	
		section 170	( <b>b)(1)(A)(iv).</b> (C	Complete Part II.)							
6		A federal, sta	te, or local gov	vernment or govern	mental unit described in	section 17	70(b)(1)(A)	(v).			
7	X	An organizati	on that norma	Ily receives a substa	antial part of its support f	from a gov	rernmental	unit or from t	he general	public	described in
		section 170(	<b>b)(1)(A)(vi).</b> (C	omplete Part II.)							
8		A community	trust describe	ed in section 170(b)	(1)(A)(vi). (Complete Par	t II.)					
9		An agricultura	al research org	ganization described	d in section 170(b)(1)(A)(	ix) operate	ed in conju	unction with a	land-grant	college	Э
		or university of	or a non-land-g	grant college of agrid	culture (see instructions).	Enter the	name, cit	y, and state of	f the colleg	je or	
		university:									
10					e than 33 1/3% of its sup						
				• •	ect to certain exceptions,	. ,				-	-
					e (less section 511 tax) fr	om busine	esses acqu	ired by the or	ganization	after J	une 30, 1975.
				mplete Part III.)							
11	$\square$	-	-		sively to test for public sa	•					
12		-	-		sively for the benefit of, to				•		
				-	ed in <b>section 509(a)(1)</b> o					Jneck t	ne box in
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а					supervised, or controlled	•	-				
			-		egularly appoint or elect a	a majority	of the aire	ctors or truste	es of the s	support	ing
		7 -		complete Part IV, S				a di a vera mimatia	va (a) ku i ka		
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f	Ente	er the number									
g				n about the support							
	(	i) Name of supp		(ii) EIN	(iii) Type of organization	(iv) Is the orga in your govern	anization listed ing document?	(v) Amount of	-		Amount of other
		organization	1		(described on lines 1-10 above (see instructions))	Yes	No	support (see in	structions)	suppor	t (see instructions)
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### Schedule A (Form 990 or 990-EZ) 2019 ORGANIZATION FOR TROPICAL STUDIES, INC. 56-2125831 Page 2 Part II Support Schedule for Organizations Described in Sections 170(b)(1)(A)(iv) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi)

Support Schedule for Organizations Described in Sections 170(b)(1)(A)(iv) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi) (Complete only if you checked the box on line 5, 7, or 8 of Part I or if the organization failed to qualify under Part III. If the organization fails to qualify under the tests listed below, please complete Part III.)

See	ction A. Public Support						
Cale	ndar year (or fiscal year beginning in) 🕨	(a) 2015	<b>(b)</b> 2016	(c) 2017	<b>(d)</b> 2018	(e) 2019	(f) Total
1	Gifts, grants, contributions, and						
	membership fees received. (Do not						
	include any "unusual grants.")	2,335,630.	2,100,149.	1,537,679.	1,756,277.	1,957,671.	9,687,406.
2	Tax revenues levied for the organ-						
	ization's benefit and either paid to						
	or expended on its behalf						
3	The value of services or facilities						
	furnished by a governmental unit to						
	the organization without charge $\dots$						
4	Total. Add lines 1 through 3	2,335,630.	2,100,149.	1,537,679.	1,756,277.	1,957,671.	9,687,406.
5	The portion of total contributions						
	by each person (other than a						
	governmental unit or publicly						
	supported organization) included						
	on line 1 that exceeds 2% of the						
	amount shown on line 11,						
	column (f)						1,471,727.
	Public support. Subtract line 5 from line 4.						8,215,679.
See	ction B. Total Support						
Cale	endar year (or fiscal year beginning in) 🕨	(a) 2015	<b>(b)</b> 2016	(c) 2017	<b>(d)</b> 2018	(e) 2019	(f) Total
	Amounts from line 4	2,335,630.	2,100,149.	1,537,679.	1,756,277.	1,957,671.	9,687,406.
8	Gross income from interest,						
	dividends, payments received on						
	securities loans, rents, royalties,		64.4 9.7.6		405 006	100 505	
	and income from similar sources $\dots$	565,577.	611,376.	99,496.	137,986.	132,585.	1,547,020.
9	Net income from unrelated business						
	activities, whether or not the						
	business is regularly carried on $\dots$						
10	Other income. Do not include gain						
	or loss from the sale of capital		45 040	20.010		-4	000 466
	assets (Explain in Part VI.)	75,751.	45,242.	38,012.	26,727.	51,734.	237,466.
	Total support. Add lines 7 through 10					1.0	11,471,892.
	Gross receipts from related activities,		,				,317,105.
13	First five years. If the Form 990 is for	-	first, second, third	d, fourth, or fifth ta	ax year as a sectio	n 501(c)(3)	
See	organization, check this box and stor ction C. Computation of Publ	ic Support Pe	rcentage				<b>&gt;</b>
14	Public support percentage for 2019 (	line 6, column (f) di	vided by line 11, c	olumn (f))		14	71.62 %
	Public support percentage from 2018					15	70.67 %
	33 1/3% support test - 2019. If the o					nore, check this bo	x and
	stop here. The organization qualifies	as a publicly supp	orted organization				► X
b	33 1/3% support test - 2018. If the c	organization did no	t check a box on li	ne 13 or 16a, and	line 15 is 33 1/3%	or more, check th	is box
	and stop here. The organization qual	ifies as a publicly s	supported organiza	ation			
17a	10% -facts-and-circumstances tes	t - 2019. If the org	anization did not c	heck a box on line	e 13, 16a, or 16b, a	and line 14 is 10%	or more,
	and if the organization meets the "fac	ts-and-circumstan	ces" test, check th	is box and <b>stop h</b>	ere. Explain in Pa	rt VI how the organ	ization
	meets the "facts-and-circumstances"	test. The organiza	tion qualifies as a j	publicly supported	d organization		▶□
b	10% -facts-and-circumstances tes	t - 2018. If the org	anization did not c	heck a box on line	e 13, 16a, 16b, or	17a, and line 15 is	10% or
	more, and if the organization meets the	ne "facts-and-circu	mstances" test, ch	neck this box and	<b>stop here.</b> Explair	in Part VI how the	
	organization meets the "facts-and-cire	cumstances" test.	The organization q	ualifies as a publi	cly supported orga	anization	▶∐
18	Private foundation. If the organization	n did not check a	box on line 13, 16a	a, 16b, 17a, or 17b	o, check this box a	and see instruction	s ►
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(Complete only if you checked the box on line 10 of Part I or if the organization failed to qualify under Part II. If the organization fails to qualify under the tests listed below, please complete Part II.)

Sec	ction A. Public Support						
Cale	ndar year (or fiscal year beginning in) 🕨	(a) 2015	(b) 2016	(c) 2017	(d) 2018	(e) 2019	(f) Total
1	Gifts, grants, contributions, and						
	membership fees received. (Do not						
	include any "unusual grants.")						
2	Gross receipts from admissions, merchandise sold or services per- formed, or facilities furnished in any activity that is related to the organization's tax-exempt purpose						
3	Gross receipts from activities that						
	are not an unrelated trade or bus- iness under section 513						
4	Tax revenues levied for the organ- ization's benefit and either paid to						
	or expended on its behalf						
5	The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge						
e							
	Total. Add lines 1 through 5						
b	3 received from disqualified persons Amounts included on lines 2 and 3 received from other than disqualified persons that exceed the greater of \$5,000 or 1% of the amount on line 13 for the year						
c	Add lines 7a and 7b						
	Public support. (Subtract line 7c from line 6.)						
	ction B. Total Support				•		
Cale	ndar year (or fiscal year beginning in) 🕨	(a) 2015	<b>(b)</b> 2016	(c) 2017	(d) 2018	(e) 2019	(f) Total
	Amounts from line 6						
	Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties, and income from similar sources						
b	Unrelated business taxable income						
	(less section 511 taxes) from businesses						
	acquired after June 30, 1975						
	Add lines 10a and 10b Net income from unrelated business activities not included in line 10b, whether or not the business is regularly carried on						
	Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part VI.)						
	Total support. (Add lines 9, 10c, 11, and 12.)	L					l
14	First five years. If the Form 990 is for	the organization'	's first, second, thi	rd, fourth, or fifth	tax year as a sectio	on 501(c)(3) organiz	zation,
0	check this box and stop here			<u></u>			
	ction C. Computation of Publ					<u> </u>	
	Public support percentage for 2019 (		•	column (f))		15	%
	Public support percentage from 2018					16	%
Sec	ction D. Computation of Inve	stment Incom	ne Percentage				
17	Investment income percentage for 20	<b>)19</b> (line 10c, colu	mn (f), divided by	line 13, column (f))		17	%
18	Investment income percentage from	2018 Schedule A,	Part III, line 17			18	%
<b>1</b> 9a	1 33 1/3% support tests - 2019. If the	organization did	not check the box	on line 14, and lin	e 15 is more than 3	$33  1/3\%$ , and line $^{-1}$	17 is not
	more than 33 1/3%, check this box a	nd <b>stop here.</b> The	organization qual	ifies as a publicly	supported organiza	ation	<b>&gt;</b>
b	33 1/3% support tests - 2018. If the	organization did	not check a box o	n line 14 or line 19	a, and line 16 is m	ore than 33 1/3%,	and
	line 18 is not more than 33 1/3%, che	ck this box and <b>s</b>	top here. The orga	anization qualifies	as a publicly supp	orted organization	
20	Private foundation. If the organization						<b>)</b>
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### Part IV Supporting Organizations

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

### Section A. All Supporting Organizations

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

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Fai	Supporting Organizations (continued)			
			Yes	No
11	Has the organization accepted a gift or contribution from any of the following persons?			
а	A person who directly or indirectly controls, either alone or together with persons described in (b) and (c)			
	below, the governing body of a supported organization?	11a		
	A family member of a person described in (a) above?	11b		
	A 35% controlled entity of a person described in (a) or (b) above? If "Yes" to a, b, or c, provide detail in Part VI.	11c		
Sec	tion B. Type I Supporting Organizations			
			Yes	No
1	Did the directors, trustees, or membership of one or more supported organizations have the power to			
	regularly appoint or elect at least a majority of the organization's directors or trustees at all times during the			
	tax year? If "No," describe in Part VI how the supported organization(s) effectively operated, supervised, or			
	controlled the organization's activities. If the organization had more than one supported organization,			
	describe how the powers to appoint and/or remove directors or trustees were allocated among the supported			
	organizations and what conditions or restrictions, if any, applied to such powers during the tax year.	1		
2	Did the organization operate for the benefit of any supported organization other than the supported			
	organization(s) that operated, supervised, or controlled the supporting organization? If "Yes," explain in			
	Part VI how providing such benefit carried out the purposes of the supported organization(s) that operated,			
	supervised, or controlled the supporting organization.	2		
Sec	tion C. Type II Supporting Organizations			
			Yes	No
1	Were a majority of the organization's directors or trustees during the tax year also a majority of the directors			
	or trustees of each of the organization's supported organization(s)? If "No," describe in Part VI how control			
	or management of the supporting organization was vested in the same persons that controlled or managed			
	the supported organization(s).	1		
Sec	tion D. All Type III Supporting Organizations			
			Yes	No
1	Did the organization provide to each of its supported organizations, by the last day of the fifth month of the			
	organization's tax year, (i) a written notice describing the type and amount of support provided during the prior tax			
	year, (ii) a copy of the Form 990 that was most recently filed as of the date of notification, and (iii) copies of the			
	organization's governing documents in effect on the date of notification, to the extent not previously provided?	1		
2	Were any of the organization's officers, directors, or trustees either (i) appointed or elected by the supported	_		
	organization(s) or (ii) serving on the governing body of a supported organization? If "No," explain in <b>Part VI</b> how			
	the organization maintained a close and continuous working relationship with the supported organization(s).	2		
3	By reason of the relationship described in (2), did the organization's supported organizations have a	_		
-	significant voice in the organization's investment policies and in directing the use of the organization's			
	income or assets at all times during the tax year? If "Yes," describe in <b>Part VI</b> the role the organization's			
	supported organizations played in this regard.	3		
Sec	tion E. Type III Functionally Integrated Supporting Organizations	•		
1	Check the box next to the method that the organization used to satisfy the Integral Part Test during the yea(see instructions)			
a	The organization satisfied the Activities Test. <i>Complete line 2 below.</i>	•		
b	The organization is the parent of each of its supported organizations. Complete line 3 below.			
c	The organization supported a governmental entity. Describe in <b>Part VI</b> how you supported a government entity (see ins	tructions	3)	
2	Activities Test. Answer (a) and (b) below.	actione	Yes	No
a	Did substantially all of the organization's activities during the tax year directly further the exempt purposes of			
u	the supported organization(s) to which the organization was responsive? If "Yes," then in Part VI identify			
	those supported organizations and explain how these activities directly furthered their exempt purposes,			
	how the organization was responsive to those supported organizations, and how the organization determined			
	that these activities constituted substantially all of its activities.	2a		
h	Did the activities described in (a) constitute activities that, but for the organization's involvement, one or more	Za		
D	of the organization's supported organization(s) would have been engaged in? If "Yes," explain in <b>Part VI</b> the			
	reasons for the organization's position that its supported organization(s) would have engaged in these			
		0h		
2	activities but for the organization's involvement.	2b		
3	Parent of Supported Organizations. <b>Answer (a) and (b) below.</b>			
а		2-		
L-	trustees of each of the supported organizations? <i>Provide details in</i> <b>Part VI.</b>	3a		
D	Did the organization exercise a substantial degree of direction over the policies, programs, and activities of each	0L		
	of its supported organizations? If "Yes," describe in Part VI the role played by the organization in this regard.	3b		0040
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Ра	rt V Type III Non-Functionally Integrated 509(a)(3) Supporting	g Orga	anizations	
1	Check here if the organization satisfied the Integral Part Test as a qualifying	g trust o	on Nov. 20, 1970 (explain in	Part VI). See instructions. All
	other Type III non-functionally integrated supporting organizations must co	mplete	Sections A through E.	
Sect	ion A - Adjusted Net Income		(A) Prior Year	(B) Current Year (optional)
1	Net short-term capital gain	1		
2	Recoveries of prior-year distributions	2		
3	Other gross income (see instructions)	3		
4	Add lines 1 through 3.	4		
5	Depreciation and depletion	5		
6	Portion of operating expenses paid or incurred for production or			
	collection of gross income or for management, conservation, or			
	maintenance of property held for production of income (see instructions)	6		
7	Other expenses (see instructions)	7		
8	Adjusted Net Income (subtract lines 5, 6, and 7 from line 4)	8		
Sect	ion B - Minimum Asset Amount		(A) Prior Year	(B) Current Year (optional)
1	Aggregate fair market value of all non-exempt-use assets (see			
	instructions for short tax year or assets held for part of year):			
а	Average monthly value of securities	1a		
b	Average monthly cash balances	1b		
с	Fair market value of other non-exempt-use assets	1c		
d	Total (add lines 1a, 1b, and 1c)	1d		
е	Discount claimed for blockage or other			
	factors (explain in detail in <b>Part VI</b> ):			
2	Acquisition indebtedness applicable to non-exempt-use assets	2		
3	Subtract line 2 from line 1d.	3		
4	Cash deemed held for exempt use. Enter 1-1/2% of line 3 (for greater amount,			
	see instructions).	4		
5	Net value of non-exempt-use assets (subtract line 4 from line 3)	5		
6	Multiply line 5 by .035.	6		
7	Recoveries of prior-year distributions	7		
8	Minimum Asset Amount (add line 7 to line 6)	8		
Sect	ion C - Distributable Amount			Current Year
_1	Adjusted net income for prior year (from Section A, line 8, Column A)	1		
2	Enter 85% of line 1.	2		
3	Minimum asset amount for prior year (from Section B, line 8, Column A)	3		
4	Enter greater of line 2 or line 3.	4		
5	Income tax imposed in prior year	5		
6	Distributable Amount. Subtract line 5 from line 4, unless subject to			
	emergency temporary reduction (see instructions).	6		
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7 Check here if the current year is the organization's first as a non-functionally integrated Type III supporting organization (see instructions).

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Secti	ion D - Distributions		· · · ·	Current Year
1	Amounts paid to supported organizations to accomplish exe	empt purposes		
2	Amounts paid to perform activity that directly furthers exemp	ot purposes of supported		
	organizations, in excess of income from activity			
3	Administrative expenses paid to accomplish exempt purpose	es of supported organizatior	าร	
4	Amounts paid to acquire exempt-use assets			
5	Qualified set-aside amounts (prior IRS approval required)			
6	Other distributions (describe in <b>Part VI</b> ). See instructions.			
7	Total annual distributions. Add lines 1 through 6.			
8	Distributions to attentive supported organizations to which the	he organization is responsive	e	
	(provide details in Part VI). See instructions.			
9	Distributable amount for 2019 from Section C, line 6			
10	Line 8 amount divided by line 9 amount			
		(i)	(ii)	(iii)
Secti	ion E - Distribution Allocations (see instructions)	Excess Distributions	Underdistributions Pre-2019	Distributable Amount for 2019
1	Distributable amount for 2019 from Section C, line 6			
2	Underdistributions, if any, for years prior to 2019 (reason-			
	able cause required- explain in Part VI). See instructions.			
3	Excess distributions carryover, if any, to 2019			
a	From 2014			
b	From 2015			
C	From 2016			
d	From 2017			
e	From 2018			
f	Total of lines 3a through e			
g	Applied to underdistributions of prior years			
h	Applied to 2019 distributable amount			
i	Carryover from 2014 not applied (see instructions)			
j	Remainder. Subtract lines 3g, 3h, and 3i from 3f.			
4	Distributions for 2019 from Section D,			
	line 7: \$			
a	Applied to underdistributions of prior years			
b	Applied to 2019 distributable amount			
c	Remainder. Subtract lines 4a and 4b from 4.			
5	Remaining underdistributions for years prior to 2019, if			
	any. Subtract lines 3g and 4a from line 2. For result greater			
	than zero, explain in Part VI. See instructions.			
6	Remaining underdistributions for 2019. Subtract lines 3h			
	and 4b from line 1. For result greater than zero, explain in			
	Part VI. See instructions.			
7	Excess distributions carryover to 2020. Add lines 3j			
	and 4c.			
8	Breakdown of line 7:			
a	Excess from 2015			
b	Excess from 2016			
c	Excess from 2017			
d	Excess from 2018			
е	Excess from 2019			

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Part VI		Z) 2019 ORGAN							
	Part IV. Section A.	. lines 1. 2. 3b. 3c. 4	1b. 4c. 5a. 6. 9	a. 9b. 9c. 11	la. 11b. and 1 <sup>.</sup>	1c: Part IV. Sect	ion B. lines 1	and 2: Part IV. Sec	tion C.
	line 1; Part IV, Sec	tion D, lines 2 and 3 6, and 8; and Part	3; Part IV, Sec	tion E, lines	1c, 2a, 2b, 3a,	and 3b; Part V,	line 1; Part V,	Section B, line 1e;	Part V
	(See instructions.)	o, and 8; and Part	v, Section E, I	nes 2, 5, an	d 6. Also comp	plete this part to	r any addition	al information.	
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Name of the organization

Organization type (check one):

## **Schedule of Contributors**

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X 501(c)( 3 ) (enter number) organization
4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust <b>not</b> treated as a private foundation
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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

X 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.

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

LHA For Paperwork Reduction Act Notice, see the instructions for Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF.

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Part I	Contributors (see instructions). Use duplicate copies of Part I if ac	dditional space is needed.	
(a) No.	(b) Name, address, and ZIP + 4	(c) Total contributions	(d) Type of contribution
1		\$917,665.	Person X Payroll Noncash (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
(a) No.	(b) Name, address, and ZIP + 4	(c) Total contributions	(d) Type of contribution
2		\$300,000.	Person X Payroll Noncash (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
(a) No.	(b) Name, address, and ZIP + 4	(c) Total contributions	(d) Type of contribution
3		\$100,000.	Person X Payroll Noncash (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
(a) No.	(b) Name, address, and ZIP + 4	(c) Total contributions	(d) Type of contribution
4		\$78,646.	Person X Payroll Noncash (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
(a) No.	(b) Name, address, and ZIP + 4	(c) Total contributions	(d) Type of contribution
5		\$75,000.	Person X Payroll Noncash (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
(a) No.	(b) Name, address, and ZIP + 4	(c) Total contributions	(d) Type of contribution
923452 11-06		\$\$\$	Person X Payroll Noncash (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.) 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF) (2019)

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### ORGANIZATION FOR TROPICAL STUDIES, INC.

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Part I	<b>Contributors</b> (see instructions). Use duplicate copies of Part I if a	dditional space is needed.	
(a) No.	(b) Name, address, and ZIP + 4	(c) Total contributions	(d) Type of contribution
7		\$42,109.	PersonXPayrollNoncash(Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
(a) No.	(b) Name, address, and ZIP + 4	(c) Total contributions	(d) Type of contribution
8		\$335,041.	Person X Payroll Noncash (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
(a) No.	(b) Name, address, and ZIP + 4	(c) Total contributions	(d) Type of contribution
		\$	Person Payroll Noncash (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
(a) No.	(b) Name, address, and ZIP + 4	(c) Total contributions	(d) Type of contribution
		\$	Person Payroll Noncash (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
(a) No.	(b) Name, address, and ZIP + 4	(c) Total contributions	(d) Type of contribution
		\$	Person Payroll Noncash (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
(a) No.	(b) Name, address, and ZIP + 4	(c) Total contributions	(d) Type of contribution
923452 11-06		\$	Person Payroll Noncash (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)

Schedule B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF) (2019)

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

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(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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(a) No. from Part I	(b) Description of noncash property given	(c) FMV (or estimate) (See instructions.)	(d) Date received
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(a) No. from Part I	(b) Description of noncash property given	(c) FMV (or estimate) (See instructions.)	(d) Date received
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Schedule E	3 (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF) (2019)			Page 4
Name of or	ganization			Employer identification number
ORGAN	ZATION FOR TROPICAL ST	JDIES, INC.		56-2125831
Part III	Exclusively religious, charitable, etc., contributi from any one contributor. Complete columns (a)	ons to organizations described in states through (e) and the following line en	section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10	) that total more than \$1,000 for the year
	completing Part III, enter the total of exclusively religious, c Use duplicate copies of Part III if additional	haritable, etc., contributions of \$1,000 or	less for the year. (Enter this info. or	nce.) ► \$
(a) No.		·		
from Part I	(b) Purpose of gift	(c) Use of gift	(d) Des	cription of how gift is held
		(e) Transfer of gif	ft	
	Transferee's name, address, an	d ZIP + 4	Relationship of tr	ansferor to transferee
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(a) No. from	(b) Purpose of gift	(c) Use of gift	(d) Des	cription of how gift is held
Part I		., -		
F		(e) Transfer of gif	I	
		(-)		
F	Transferee's name, address, an	id ZIP + 4	Relationship of tr	ansferor to transferee
(a) No.				
from Part I	(b) Purpose of gift	(c) Use of gift	(d) Des	cription of how gift is held
		(e) Transfer of gif	ft	
	Transferee's name, address, an	d <b>ZI</b> P + 4	Relationship of tr	ansferor to transferee
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(a) No. from	(b) Purpose of gift	(c) Use of gift	(d) Des	cription of how gift is held
Part I				
F		(e) Transfer of git	ft I	
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F	Transferee's name, address, an	Id ZIP + 4	Relationship of tr	ansferor to transferee
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Department of the Treasury

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

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



Internal Revenue Service Name of the organization

ORGANIZATION FOR TROPICAL STUDIES, INC.

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Pa			s or Accounts. Complete if the
	organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, lin	e 6. (a) Donor advised funds	(b) Funds and other accounts
1	Total number at end of year		
2	Aggregate value of contributions to (during year)		
3	Aggregate value of grants from (during year)		
4	Aggregate value at end of year		
5	Did the organization inform all donors and donor advisors in	writing that the assets held in donor advis	ed funds
	are the organization's property, subject to the organization's	-	
6	Did the organization inform all grantees, donors, and donor a		
	for charitable purposes and not for the benefit of the donor of		
	impermissible private benefit?		
Pa			
1	Purpose(s) of conservation easements held by the organization	on (check all that apply).	
	Preservation of land for public use (for example, recrea	tion or education)	a historically important land area
	Protection of natural habitat	Preservation of	a certified historic structure
	Preservation of open space		
2	Complete lines 2a through 2d if the organization held a qualit	fied conservation contribution in the form	of a conservation easement on the last
	day of the tax year.		Held at the End of the Tax Year
а	Total number of conservation easements		2a
b	Total acreage restricted by conservation easements		2b
с	Number of conservation easements on a certified historic str	ucture included in (a)	2c
d	Number of conservation easements included in (c) acquired a	after 7/25/06, and not on a historic structu	ure
	listed in the National Register		2d
3	Number of conservation easements modified, transferred, re	leased, extinguished, or terminated by the	e organization during the tax
	year 🕨		
4	Number of states where property subject to conservation eas	sement is located	
5	Does the organization have a written policy regarding the per	riodic monitoring, inspection, handling of	
	violations, and enforcement of the conservation easements i	t holds?	Yes 🗌 No
6	Staff and volunteer hours devoted to monitoring, inspecting,	handling of violations, and enforcing cons	servation easements during the year
	▶		
7	Amount of expenses incurred in monitoring, inspecting, hand	lling of violations, and enforcing conserva	tion easements during the year
	▶\$		
8	Does each conservation easement reported on line 2(d) above	e satisfy the requirements of section 170	(h)(4)(B)(i)
	and section 170(h)(4)(B)(ii)?		Yes
9	In Part XIII, describe how the organization reports conservati	on easements in its revenue and expense	e statement and
	balance sheet, and include, if applicable, the text of the footr	note to the organization's financial stateme	ents that describes the
_	organization's accounting for conservation easements.		
Pa	rt III Organizations Maintaining Collections o		ther Similar Assets.
<u> </u>	Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form		
1a	If the organization elected, as permitted under FASB ASC 95		
	of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets held for put		
	service, provide in Part XIII the text of the footnote to its final		
b	If the organization elected, as permitted under FASB ASC 95		
	art, historical treasures, or other similar assets held for public	c exhibition, education, or research in furth	herance of public service,
	provide the following amounts relating to these items:		
	(i) Revenue included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 1		
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2	If the organization received or held works of art, historical tre		l gain, provide
	the following amounts required to be reported under FASB A	-	
	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		
	Assets included in Form 990, Part X		
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Pai	t III Organizations Maintaining C	<b>Collections of Ar</b>	t, Historical Tr	easures, or Ot	her Simil	ar Asse	<b>ts</b> (contir	nued)	
3	Using the organization's acquisition, accessi	ion, and other record	s, check any of the	following that make	e significant	use of its			
	collection items (check all that apply):								
а	Public exhibition	d	Loan or exc	hange program					
b	Scholarly research	е	Other						
с	Preservation for future generations								
4	Provide a description of the organization's co	ollections and explair	n how they further t	he organization's e	kempt purp	ose in Par	t XIII.		
5	During the year, did the organization solicit o								
	to be sold to raise funds rather than to be ma		•				Yes		No
Pa	t IV Escrow and Custodial Arran								
	reported an amount on Form 990, Pa		5			, ,	,		
1a	Is the organization an agent, trustee, custod	ian or other intermed	iarv for contributior	s or other assets n	ot included				
	on Form 990, Part X?						Yes		No
h	If "Yes," explain the arrangement in Part XIII					······			
			lowing table.				Amoun	t	
~	Beginning balance				1c		7 uniouri		
	Additions during the year								
	Distributions during the year								
f					16 1f				
22	Ending balance Did the organization include an amount on F					·	Yes		No
	If "Yes," explain the arrangement in Part XIII.				• • • • • • •				
Pa									
		(a) Current year	(b) Prior year	(c) Two years back	1	vears hack	(e) Four	vears	hack
10	Beginning of year balance	11,151,987.	11,884,671.	12,322,753		157,588.		,656,	
		12,148.	75,889.			78,390.			193.
0	Contributions Net investment earnings, gains, and losses	151,999.	177,633.		_	401,570.		-729,	
ט ה		171,773.	290,224.		-	.01,370.		, 25,	
	Grants or scholarships	1/1,//3.	230,224.	271,043	•				
е	Other expenditures for facilities	395,996.	695,982.	1,434,761		314,795.		889	528
	and programs	555,550.	095,902.	1,454,701	•	,14,195.		009,	528.
T	Administrative expenses	10,748,365.	11,151,987.	11,884,671	12 3	322,753.	11	,157,	599
g	End of year balance				• 12,5	122,133.	11	, 137,	500.
2	Provide the estimated percentage of the cur	11.76		a)) heid as.					
a	Board designated or quasi-endowment ► Permanent endowment ► 69.19		_%						
		%							
С									
•	The percentages on lines 2a, 2b, and 2c sho								
за	Are there endowment funds not in the posse	ession of the organiza	ation that are held a	ind administered to	r the organi	zation	I	<u>v</u>	
	by:							Yes	No X
	(i) Unrelated organizations						3a(i)		X
	(ii) Related organizations								
b	If "Yes" on line 3a(ii), are the related organiza						3b		
4	Describe in Part XIII the intended uses of the	0	wment funds.						
Pa	<b>t VI</b> Land, Buildings, and Equipm								
	Complete if the organization answere								
	Description of property	(a) Cost or of			Accumulate		( <b>d</b> ) Boo	k valu	е
		basis (investn	,	. ,	lepreciation		1 00	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
	Land			6,290.			1,28		
	Buildings		2,50	1,333. 1	,646,6	/0.	85	4,6	57.
	Leasehold improvements				445 0				
d	Equipment				,445,8			4,6	
	Other			4,250.	396,7			7,4	
Tota	. Add lines 1a through 1e. (Column (d) must e	qual Form 990, Part	X, column (B), line 1	10c.)			3,11	3,1	13.
						Schedule	D (Forn	n <b>990</b> )	2019

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Part VII Investments - Other Securities.				
Complete if the organization answered "Yes				
(a) Description of security or category (including name of security)	(b) Book value	(c) Method of va	aluation: Cost o	or end-of-year market value
(1) Financial derivatives				
(2) Closely held equity interests				
(3) Other (A) ACACIA PARTNERS	2 724 051			
	3,724,051.	END-OF-Y	LAR MARN	CET VALUE
(B)				
(C) (D)				
(E)(E)				
(F)				
(G)				
(H)				
Total. (Col. (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col. (B) line 12.) ►	3,724,051.			
Part VIII Investments - Program Related.				
Complete if the organization answered "Yes				
(a) Description of investment	(b) Book value	(c) Method of va	aluation: Cost o	or end-of-year market value
(1)				
(2)				
(3)				
(4)				
(5) (6)				
(7)				
(8)				
(9)				
Total. (Col. (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col. (B) line 13.)				
Part IX Other Assets.				
Complete if the organization answered "Yes		11d. See Form 990,	Part X, line 15.	
(a)	Description			(b) Book value
(1)				
(2)				
(3)				
(4)				
(5)				
(6) (7)				
(8)				
(9)				
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col. (B) lir	ne 15.)			
Part X Other Liabilities.	·			
Complete if the organization answered "Yes"	on Form 990, Part IV, line 1	11e or 11f. See Form	n 990, Part X, Iir	ne 25.
1.(a) Description of liability				(b) Book value
(1) Federal income taxes				
(2)				
(3)				
(4)				
(5)				
(6)				
<u>(7)</u>				
(8)				
(9) Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col. (B) lir	ne 25 )			
<ol> <li>Liability for uncertain tax positions. In Part XIII, provid</li> </ol>				ents that reports the
organization's liability for uncertain tax positions under		-		

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Pa	t XI Reconciliation of Revenue per Audited Financial State	ments With R	evenue per R	eturi	า.	
	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	4,598	,043.
2	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12:					
а	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	2a	-21,802.			
b	Donated services and use of facilities	2b	418,565.			
с	Recoveries of prior year grants	2c				
d						
е	Add lines 2a through 2d			2e		,763.
3	Subtract line 2e from line 1			3	4,201	,280.
4	Amounts included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, but not on line 1:					
а	Investment expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b	4a	19,600.			
b	Other (Describe in Part XIII.)	4b				
с				4c		,600.
5	Total revenue. Add lines 3 and 4c. (This must equal Form 990, Part I, line 12.)			5	4,220	<u>,880.</u>
Da	rt XII Reconciliation of Expenses per Audited Financial State	amanta With E		D - 1-		
1 4			Expenses per	Retu	irn.	
14	Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line	12a.	· ·	Retu		
1		12a.	· ·	нец 1	4 , 996	,218.
	Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line Total expenses and losses per audited financial statements Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part IX, line 25:	12a.		1		,218.
1	Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line Total expenses and losses per audited financial statements	12a.	· ·	1		,218.
1 2	Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line Total expenses and losses per audited financial statements Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part IX, line 25:	12a. <b>2</b> a		1		<u>,218.</u>
1 2 a	Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line Total expenses and losses per audited financial statements Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part IX, line 25: Donated services and use of facilities	12a. <b>2</b> a <b>2</b> b		1		,218.
1 2 a b	Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line Total expenses and losses per audited financial statements Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part IX, line 25: Donated services and use of facilities Prior year adjustments Other losses	12a. 2a 2b 2c		1	4,996	
1 2 b c d	Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line Total expenses and losses per audited financial statements Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part IX, line 25: Donated services and use of facilities Prior year adjustments Other losses	2a           2b           2c           2d	418,565.	1	4,996	,565.
1 2 b c d	Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line Total expenses and losses per audited financial statements Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part IX, line 25: Donated services and use of facilities Prior year adjustments Other losses Other (Describe in Part XIII.)	12a. 2a 2b 2c 2d	418,565.	1	4,996	,565.
1 2 b c d e	Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line Total expenses and losses per audited financial statements Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part IX, line 25: Donated services and use of facilities Prior year adjustments Other losses Other (Describe in Part XIII.) Add lines <b>2a</b> through <b>2d</b>	12a. 2a 2b 2c 2d	418,565.	1 2e 3	4,996	,565.
1 2 a b c d 3	Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line Total expenses and losses per audited financial statements Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part IX, line 25: Donated services and use of facilities Prior year adjustments Other losses Other losses Other (Describe in Part XIII.) Add lines <b>2a</b> through <b>2d</b> Subtract line <b>2e</b> from line <b>1</b>	12a. 2a 2b 2c 2d	418,565.	1 2e 3	4,996	,565.
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1 2 a b c d e 3 4 a	Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line Total expenses and losses per audited financial statements Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part IX, line 25: Donated services and use of facilities Prior year adjustments Other losses Other (Describe in Part XIII.) Add lines <b>2a</b> through <b>2d</b> Subtract line <b>2e</b> from line <b>1</b> Amounts included on Form 990, Part IX, line 25, but not on line 1: Investment expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b Other (Describe in Part XIII.)	12a. 2a 2b 2c 2d 4a 4b	418,565.	1 2e 3	4,996 418 4,577	<u>,565.</u> ,653.
1 2 a b c d e 3 4 a b c 5	Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line Total expenses and losses per audited financial statements Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part IX, line 25: Donated services and use of facilities Prior year adjustments Other losses Other (Describe in Part XIII.) Add lines <b>2a</b> through <b>2d</b> Subtract line <b>2e</b> from line <b>1</b> Amounts included on Form 990, Part IX, line 25, but not on line 1: Investment expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b Other (Describe in Part XIII.)	2a         2b         2c         2d         4a         4b	418,565.	1 2e 3	4,996 418 4,577	<u>,565.</u> ,653.

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

### PART V, LINE 4:

THE ENDOWMENTS ARE PRIMARILY FOR SCHOLARSHIPS AND FELLOWSHIPS FOR STUDENTS WHO STUDY OR DO RESEARCH IN OUR STATIONS. THERE ARE A FEW ENDOWMENTS THAT COVER EXPENSES FOR SPECIFIC PURPOSES, LIKE A FIELD STATION, ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY, OR STRATEGIC TRANSFORMATION OF OTS.

PART X, LINE 2:

FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2020, MANAGEMENT OF OTS HAS DOCUMENTED ITS

CONSIDERATION OF FASB ASC 740-10, INCOME TAXES, THAT PROVIDES GUIDANCE FOR

REPORTING UNCERTAINTY IN INCOME TAXES, AND HAS DETERMINED THAT NO MATERIAL

UNCERTAIN TAX POSITIONS QUALIFY FOR EITHER RECOGNITION OR DISCLOSURE IN

THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS.

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SCHEDULE F	Stateme	nt of Act	ivities Outside the Ur	nited Sta	ates	OMB No	p. 1545-0047
			n answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part			20	)19
Department of the Treasury	► Attach to Form 990.					Open to Public	
Internal Revenue Service	Go to v	www.irs.gov/Fo	orm990 for instructions and the lates	t information.	-	Inspectio	
Name of the organization					Employer	identificat	ion number
ORGANIZATION FO	R TROPIC	AL STUDI	ES, INC.		56-212	25831	
Part I General Info	rmation on A	ctivities Ou	tside the United States. Comple	ete if the orgar	nization answ	vered "Yes"	on
Form 990, Part IV							
			ds to substantiate the amount of its gr the selection criteria used to award the			X	s 🗌 No
the grantees engineer in	or the grants or a	assistance, and	the selection chitena used to award the	e grants or ass	15tance:	[22] 163	, NO
2 For grantmakers. Desc	ribe in Part V the	e organization's	procedures for monitoring the use of it	s grants and o	ther assistan	nce outside	the
United States.							
3 Activities per Region. (T (a) Region	he following Part (b) Number of		an be duplicated if additional space is (d) Activities conducted in the region	1	vity listed in (	(d)	(f) Total
(a) negion	offices	emplovees.	(by type) (such as, fundraising, pro-		gram service		penditures
	in the region	agents, and independent	gram services, investments, grants to		e specific typ	, ne	for and
		contractors in the region	recipients located in the region)	of service	(s) in the reg	ion I	vestments the region
		In the region					j
CENTRAL AMERICA AND				EDUCATION,	RESEARACH	I I	
THE CARIBBEAN	4	87	PROGRAM SERVICES	PROGRAMS, C	CONSERVATI	ON 3	3,082,126.
				EDUCATION,			
SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA	1	8	PROGRAM SERVICES	PROGRAMS, C	CONSERVATI	ON	522,460.
CENTRAL AMERICA AND			GRANTS TO RECIPIENTS				
THE CARIBBEAN	0	0	LOCATED IN REGION				255,648.
SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA	0	0	GRANTS TO RECIPIENTS LOCATED IN REGION				68,550.
		<u> </u>					
			GRANTS TO RECIPIENTS				
EUROPE	0	0	LOCATED IN REGION				700.
			GRANTS TO RECIPIENTS				
EAST ASIA	0	0	LOCATED IN REGION				700.
SOUTH ASIA	0	0					550.
3 a Subtotal	5	95				3	3,930,734.
<b>b</b> Total from continuation	0	0					0.
sheets to Part I c Totals (add lines 3a		0					<u></u>
and 3b)	5	95				3	3,930,734.

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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>(b)</b> IRS code section and EIN (if applicable)	<b>(c)</b> Region	<b>(d)</b> Purpose of grant	<b>(e)</b> Amount of cash grant	(f) Manner of cash disbursement	<b>(g)</b> Amount of noncash assistance	<b>(h)</b> Description of noncash assistance	<b>(i)</b> Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other)
by the IRS, or for whic	ch the grantee or cou	insel has provided a sec	recognized as charities by the tion 501(c)(3) equivalency lett	er				

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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 noncash assistance	(g) Description of noncash assistance	(h) Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other)
TUITION AID FOR							
UNDERGRADUATE, GRADUATE AND				TUITION AID APPLIED			
POST-GRADUATE STUDENTS;	CENTRAL AMERICA			AGAINST TUITION INVOICE;			
STIPENDS FOR COURSE EXPENSES	AND THE CARIBBEAN	65	204,101.	STIPENDS PAID BY CHECK	0.		
				REIMBURSEMENT, AND			
FELLOWSHIPS FOR GRADUATE	CENTRAL AMERICA			APPLIED AGAINST STATION			
RESEARCH	AND THE CARIBBEAN	18	51,547.		0.		
		10	51,517.				
TUITION AID FOR UNDERGRADUATE		15		APPLIED AGAINST TUITION			
STUDENTS	AFRICA	15	68,550.	INVOICE	0.		
TUITION AID FOR UNDERGRADUATE				APPLIED AGAINST TUITION			
STUDENTS	EUROPE	2	700.	INVOICE	0.		
TUITION AID FOR UNDERGRADUATE				APPLIED AGAINST TUITION			
STUDENTS	EAST ASIA	1	700.	INVOICE	0.		
TUITION AID FOR UNDERGRADUATE				APPLIED AGAINST TUITION			
STUDENTS	SOUTH ASIA	1	550.	INVOICE	0.		

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### SEE PART V FOR COLUMN (A) DESCRIPTIONS

## Schedule F (Form 990) 2019 ORGANIZATION FOR TROPICAL STUDIES, INC. 56-2125831 Page 4 Part IV Foreign Forms

1	Was the organization a U.S. transferor of property to a foreign corporation during the tax year? <i>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)</i>	Yes	X 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; don't file with Form 990)	Yes	X 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)	X Yes	No 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	X 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	X 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; don't file with Form 990)	Yes	X No

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 Part V
 Supplemental Information

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

PART I, LINE 2:

THROUGH THE ORGANIZATION'S CHART OF ACCOUNTS (USING A FUNCTION CODE), WE

ARE ABLE TO TRACK FELLOWSHIPS AND RESEARCH GRANTS BY RECIPIENT. OUR

TUITION AID CALCULATIONS ARE MAINTAINED BY OUR EDUCATION DEPARTMENT, AND

FINANCE REVIEWS AND INVOICES ACCORDINGLY.

PART III, COLUMN (A):

REGION: CENTRAL AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN

(A) TYPE OF GRANT OR ASSISTANCE: TUITION AID FOR UNDERGRADUATE, GRADUATE

AND POST-GRADUATE STUDENTS; STIPENDS FOR COURSE EXPENSES AND STATION AID

SCHEDULE I (Form 990)		Grants and Other Assistance to Organizations, Governments, and Individuals in the United States Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 21 or 22. Attach to Form 990.							OMB No. 1545-0047 <b>2019</b> Open to Public
Internal Reve		Go to www.irs.gov/Form990 for the latest information.							Inspection
Name of the organization ORGANIZATION FOR TROPICAL STUDIES, INC.									Employer identification number 56-2125831
Part I	General Int	Information on Grants and Assistance							
crite	eria used to av	tion maintain records to substantiate the amount of the grants or assistance, the grantees' eligibility for the grants or assistance, and the selection vard the grants or assistance?							
		IV the organization's procedures for monitoring the use of grant funds in the United States.							
Part II	Grants and Other Assistance to Domestic Organizations and Domestic Governments. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 21, for any recipient that received more than \$5,000. Part II can be duplicated if additional space is needed.								
<b>1 (a)</b> Name and address of organization or government		(b) EIN	(c) IRC section (if applicable)	(d) Amount of cash grant	(e) Amount of non-cash assistance	<b>(f)</b> Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other)	(g) Description of noncash assistance	(h) Purpose of grant or assistance	
2 Ente	er total numbe	er of section 501(c)(3) a	nd government or	ganizations listed in th	ne line 1 table			1	<b>&gt;</b>
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Part III Grants and Other Assistance to Domestic Individuals. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 22. Part III can be duplicated if additional space is needed.

(a) Type of grant or assistance	(b) Number of recipients	(c) Amount of cash grant	(d) Amount of non- cash assistance	<b>(e)</b> Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other)	(f) Description of noncash assistance
TUITION AID FOR UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS	13	15,286.	0.		

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

PART I, LINE 2:

THROUGH THE ORGANIZATION'S CHART OF ACCOUNTS (USING A FELLOW CODE), WE ARE

ABLE TO TRACK FELLOWSHIPS AND RESEARCH GRANTS BY RECIPIENT. OUR TUITION AID

CALCULATIONS ARE MAINTAINED BY OUR EDUCATION DEPARTMENT, AND FINANCE

REVIEWS AND INVOICES ACCORDINGLY.

sc	HEDULE J	Compensation Information	1	OMB No.	1545-00	47
(Fo	rm 990)	For certain Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest	F	20	10	)
		Compensated Employees Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 23.		20	IJ	,
Depa	rtment of the Treasury	Attach to Form 990.		Open to		
Interr	al Revenue Service	Go to www.irs.gov/Form990 for instructions and the latest information.	بلحج	Inspe		
Nan	ne of the organization		Employer i			mber
	ut I Quantian	ORGANIZATION FOR TROPICAL STUDIES, INC.	56-2	212583	T	
Pa	rt I Question	s Regarding Compensation			<u>v</u>	
4-		at have (a) if the eventiantian even ideal and of the fallowing to avefore provided on Favor			Yes	No
la		ate box(es) if the organization provided any of the following to or for a person listed on Form line 1a. Complete Part III to provide any relevant information regarding these items.	990,			
	First-class or c		nalusa			
	Travel for com					
		ation and gross-up payments Health or social club dues or initiation fee				
		spending account Personal services (such as maid, chauffer				
			,,			
b	If any of the boxes	on line 1a are checked, did the organization follow a written policy regarding payment or				
	•	rovision of all of the expenses described above? If "No," complete Part III to explain		1b		
2	Did the organization	n require substantiation prior to reimbursing or allowing expenses incurred by all directors,				
	trustees, and office	rs, including the CEO/Executive Director, regarding the items checked on line 1a?		2		
3	Indicate which, if an	ny, of the following the organization used to establish the compensation of the organization?	3			
		ctor. Check all that apply. Do not check any boxes for methods used by a related organizat	ion to			
		ation of the CEO/Executive Director, but explain in Part III.				
	X Compensation					
		ompensation consultant				
	Form 990 of o	ther organizations	ommittee			
	During the year dia	any parage listed on Form 000. Port VII. Section A line to with respect to the filing				
4		any person listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, with respect to the filing				
а	organization or a re			4a		x
b		e payment or change-of-control payment? ceive payment from, a supplemental nonqualified retirement plan?				X
c		ceive payment from, an equity-based compensation arrangement?				x
•	-	les 4a-c, list the persons and provide the applicable amounts for each item in Part III.				
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	Only section 501(c	)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations must complete lines 5-9.				
5		on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization pay or accrue any compensation	on			
	contingent on the r	evenues of:				
а	The organization?			5a		Х
		ation?				X
		r 5b, describe in Part III.				
6		on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization pay or accrue any compensati	วท			
	contingent on the r	-				
						X
b		ation?		6b		X
_		r 6b, describe in Part III.				
7		n Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization provide any nonfixed payment		_		x
~		nes 5 and 6? If "Yes," describe in Part III		7		A
8		reported on Form 990, Part VII, paid or accrued pursuant to a contract that was subject to t		0		x
0		ption described in Regulations section 53.4958-4(a)(3)? If "Yes," describe in Part III		8		- 21
9		d the organization also follow the rebuttable presumption procedure described in		9		
ТНА		953.4958-6(c)? eduction Act Notice, see the Instructions for Form 990.		ule J (Forr	n 990	2010
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## Part II Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees. Use duplicate copies if additional space is needed.

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

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

		(B) Breakdown of	W-2 and/or 1099-MI	SC compensation	(C) Retirement and other deferred	(D) Nontaxable benefits	(E) Total of columns	(F) Compensation in column (B)
(A) Name and Title		(i) Base compensation	(ii) Bonus & incentive compensation	(iii) Other reportable compensation	compensation	benefits	(B)(i)-(D)	reported as deferred on prior Form 990
(1) JAMES BOYLE	(i)	125,470.	0.	0.	15,943.	20,012.	161,425.	0.
VP OF DEVELOPMENT	(ii)	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.
	(i)							
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## Part III Supplemental Information

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

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## **SCHEDULE M** (Form 990)

# **Noncash Contributions**

OMB No. 1545-0047

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Employer identification number 56-2125831

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Complete if the organizations answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, lines 29 or 30. ►

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Name of	the organizatio	n
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ORGANIZATION FOR TROPICAL STUDIES, INC.

(a)       (b)       (c)       (d)         Check if applicable       Number of contributions or items contributed       Noncash contribution amounts reported on Form 990, Part VIII, line 1g       Method of determining noncash contribution amounts reported on terms contributed         1       Art - Works of art	•
1       Art - Works of art         2       Art - Historical treasures         3       Art - Fractional interests	
2       Art - Historical treasures	
3 Art - Fractional interests	
5 Clothing and household goods	
6 Cars and other vehicles	
7 Boats and planes	
8 Intellectual property	
9 Securities - Publicly traded X 3 27,552. FMV	
10 Securities - Closely held stock	
11 Securities - Partnership, LLC, or	
trust interests	
12 Securities - Miscellaneous	
13 Qualified conservation contribution -	
Historic structures	
14 Qualified conservation contribution - Other	
15 Real estate - Residential	
16 Real estate - Commercial	
17 Real estate - Other	
18 Collectibles	
19 Food inventory	
20 Drugs and medical supplies	
21 Taxidermy	
22 Historical artifacts	
23 Scientific specimens	
24 Archeological artifacts	
25 Other ▶ ()	
26 Other ()	
27 Other ▶ ()	
28 Other ▶ ( )	
29 Number of Forms 8283 received by the organization during the tax year for contributions	
for which the organization completed Form 8283, Part IV, Donee Acknowledgement	
	es No
<b>30a</b> During the year, did the organization receive by contribution any property reported in Part I, lines 1 through 28, that it	
must hold for at least three years from the date of the initial contribution, and which isn't required to be used for	x
exempt purposes for the entire holding period? 30a	
<b>b</b> If "Yes," describe the arrangement in Part II.	x
<b>31</b> Does the organization have a gift acceptance policy that requires the review of any nonstandard contributions? <b>31</b>	
<b>32a</b> Does the organization hire or use third parties or related organizations to solicit, process, or sell noncash	x
contributions?	
<ul> <li>b If "Yes," describe in Part II.</li> <li>33 If the organization didn't report an amount in column (c) for a type of property for which column (a) is checked,</li> </ul>	
<b>33</b> If the organization didn't report an amount in column (c) for a type of property for which column (a) is checked, describe in Part II.	

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

SCHEDULE M, PART I, COLUMN (B):

COLUMN (B) INCLUDES THE NUMBER OF CONTRIBUTIONS RECEIVED.

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SCHEDULE O

(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service Name of the organization 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. Go to www.irs.gov/Form990 for the latest information.



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

ORGANIZATION FOR TROPICAL STUDIES,

IS TO SUSTAIN TROPICAL ECOSYSTEMS BY DRIVING SCIENTIFIC DISCOVERY AND

KNOWLEDGE, BY ENRICHING HUMAN PERCEPTION OF NATURE, AND BY ENHANCING

WORLDWIDE POLICY IN THE TROPICS.

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

THE ORGANIZATION HAS INSTITUTIONAL MEMBERS CONSISTING OF UNIVERSITIES,

COLLEGES, RESEARCH INSTITUTIONS AND MUSEUMS.

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

INSTITUTIONAL MEMBERS HAVE VOTING RIGHTS THAT ALLOW FOR THE ELECTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS, OTHER THAN PRESIDENT. THE MAXIMUM NUMBER OF DIRECTORS ON THE BOARD IS EIGHTEEN (18) AND NINE (9) OF THE DIRECTORS ARE ELECTED BY INSTITUTIONAL MEMBERS. MEMBERS ELECTED BY INSTITUTIONAL MEMBERS ARE REFERRED TO AS MEMBER DIRECTORS.

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

THE FORM 990 IS PREPARED BY OUTSIDE ACCOUNTANTS AND REVIEWED BY SENIOR

MANAGEMENT. THE ORGANIZATION'S FORM 990 IS DISTRIBUTED TO THE GOVERNING

BODY FOR ITS REVIEW VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL.

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

EACH MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND EACH EMPLOYEE IN A SENSITIVE

POSITION, AT THE TIME THEY ASSUME POSITION AND THEREAFTER AT LEAST

ANNUALLY, SIGN A WRITTEN STATEMENT AFFIRMING THAT THEY HAVE RECEIVED AND

READ THE POLICY AND THAT THEY AGREE TO COMPLY WITH THE POLICY. THE

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Name of the organization		ZATION	FOR	TROPICA	L ;	STUDIES,	INC		mployer identification number 56-2125831	
ORGANIZATION	ASSIGNS	ONE S	TAFF	MEMBER	то	COLLECT	THE	ANNUAL	CERTIFICATIONS.	

THE CONTROLLER, CEO OR THE CHAIR OF THE BOARD ARE NOTIFIED IF A CONFLICT OF INTEREST ARISES. THE CEO IS RESPONSIBLE FOR RESOLVING ALL STAFF CONFLICTS. BOARD CONFLICTS ARE DISCUSSED AT EITHER A FULL BOARD MEETING OR AN EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING AND AN APPROPRIATE COURSE OF ACTION TO RESOLVE THE CONFLICT OF INTEREST THEN DETERMINED.

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

THE ORGANIZATION'S OUTSIDE RECRUITER UTILIZES COMPARABLE DATA TO ESTABLISH THE PRESIDENT AND CEO'S COMPENSATION. THE PERSONNEL COMMITTEE IS RESPONSIBLE FOR CONDUCTING THE ANNUAL PERFORMANCE REVIEW OF THE PRESIDENT/CEO. THE RECRUITER PROVIDES ADVICE TO THE SEARCH COMMITTEE AND PERSONNEL COMMITTEE THAT IS MADE UP OF BOARD MEMBERS AND NON-BOARD MEMBERS, AND THE COMMITTEE MAKES A COMPENSATION RECOMMENDATION TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR ITS REVIEW AND APPROVAL. THE GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE IS CHARGED WITH PERFORMING SALARY REVIEWS FOR FUTURE CEOS. THE LAST COMPENSATION REVIEW TOOK PLACE IN FEBRUARY 2017.

FORM 990, PART VI, LINE 17, LIST OF STATES RECEIVING COPY OF FORM 990: AL,AR,CA,FL,GA,HI,IL,KS,KY,MD,MA,MI,MN,MS,NH,NJ,NM,NY,NC,OR,PA,RI,SC,TN,UT VA,WV,WI

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

	FORM	990,	PAR	г IX,	LINE	11G,	OTHE	ER FI	EES:							
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Name of the organization ORGANIZATION FOR TROPICAL STUDIES, INC.	Employer identification number 56-2125831
ARCHITECT:	50 2120001
PROGRAM SERVICE EXPENSES	10,059
MANAGEMENT AND GENERAL EXPENSES	112
FUNDRAISING EXPENSES	1,771
TOTAL EXPENSES	11,942
BIOLOGIST:	
PROGRAM SERVICE EXPENSES	6,076
MANAGEMENT AND GENERAL EXPENSES	68
FUNDRAISING EXPENSES	1,070
TOTAL EXPENSES	7,214
BOTANICAL:	
PROGRAM SERVICE EXPENSES	12,177
MANAGEMENT AND GENERAL EXPENSES	136
FUNDRAISING EXPENSES	2,144
TOTAL EXPENSES	14,45
COURSE COORDINATOR:	
PROGRAM SERVICE EXPENSES	100,044
MANAGEMENT AND GENERAL EXPENSES	1,114
FUNDRAISING EXPENSES	17,615
TOTAL EXPENSES	118,773
EDUCATION ADVISOR:	
PROGRAM SERVICE EXPENSES	58,052
MANAGEMENT AND GENERAL EXPENSES	646
FUNDRAISING EXPENSES	10,221

Name of the organization ORGANIZATION FOR TROPICAL STUDIES,	INC. Employer identification number 56-2125831
TOTAL EXPENSES	68,918
FACULTY:	
PROGRAM SERVICE EXPENSES	40,394
MANAGEMENT AND GENERAL EXPENSES	450
FUNDRAISING EXPENSES	7,112
TOTAL EXPENSES	47,956
FIELD ASSISTANT:	
PROGRAM SERVICE EXPENSES	5,180
MANAGEMENT AND GENERAL EXPENSES	58
FUNDRAISING EXPENSES	912
TOTAL EXPENSES	6,150
FOREST REGENT:	
PROGRAM SERVICE EXPENSES	1,818
MANAGEMENT AND GENERAL EXPENSES	20
FUNDRAISING EXPENSES	320
TOTAL EXPENSES	2,158
FUNDRAISING MANAGEMENT:	
PROGRAM SERVICE EXPENSES	23,227
MANAGEMENT AND GENERAL EXPENSES	259
FUNDRAISING EXPENSES	4,090
TOTAL EXPENSES	27,576
GUARD:	
PROGRAM SERVICE EXPENSES	894

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MANAGEMENT AND GENERAL EXPENSES	10.
FUNDRAISING EXPENSES	157.
TOTAL EXPENSES	1,061.
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TOUR GUIDES:	
PROGRAM SERVICE EXPENSES	7,305.
MANAGEMENT AND GENERAL EXPENSES	81.
FUNDRAISING EXPENSES	1,286.
TOTAL EXPENSES	8,672.
LIBRARY CONSULTANT:	
PROGRAM SERVICE EXPENSES	1,190.
MANAGEMENT AND GENERAL EXPENSES	13.
FUNDRAISING EXPENSES	209.
TOTAL EXPENSES	1,412.
LOGISTICS ASSISTANT:	
PROGRAM SERVICE EXPENSES	3,045.
MANAGEMENT AND GENERAL EXPENSES	34.
FUNDRAISING EXPENSES	536.
TOTAL EXPENSES	3,615.
OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH:	
PROGRAM SERVICE EXPENSES	666.
MANAGEMENT AND GENERAL EXPENSES	7.
FUNDRAISING EXPENSES	117.
TOTAL EXPENSES	790.

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OTHERS:	
PROGRAM SERVICE EXPENSES	12,683
MANAGEMENT AND GENERAL EXPENSES	14:
FUNDRAISING EXPENSES	2,23
TOTAL EXPENSES	15,059
RECRUITER:	
PROGRAM SERVICE EXPENSES	16,840
MANAGEMENT AND GENERAL EXPENSES	18
FUNDRAISING EXPENSES	2,96
TOTAL EXPENSES	20,00
SCIENCE ADVISOR:	
PROGRAM SERVICE EXPENSES	8,42
MANAGEMENT AND GENERAL EXPENSES	9
FUNDRAISING EXPENSES	1,48
TOTAL EXPENSES	10,00
SCIENTIFIC SPECIALIST:	
PROGRAM SERVICE EXPENSES	3,04
MANAGEMENT AND GENERAL EXPENSES	3
FUNDRAISING EXPENSES	53
TOTAL EXPENSES	3,61
SERVICES:	
PROGRAM SERVICE EXPENSES	20
MANAGEMENT AND GENERAL EXPENSES	

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TOTAL EXPENSES	244
VIDEO:	
PROGRAM SERVICE EXPENSES	3,042.
MANAGEMENT AND GENERAL EXPENSES	34.
FUNDRAISING EXPENSES	536
TOTAL EXPENSES	3,612.
WEB ADMINISTRATOR:	
PROGRAM SERVICE EXPENSES	23,193
MANAGEMENT AND GENERAL EXPENSES	258
FUNDRAISING EXPENSES	4,084.
TOTAL EXPENSES	27,535
WEB DESIGN:	
PROGRAM SERVICE EXPENSES	1,047.
MANAGEMENT AND GENERAL EXPENSES	12.
FUNDRAISING EXPENSES	184.
TOTAL EXPENSES	1,243
OTHER PROFESSIONAL FEES:	
PROGRAM SERVICE EXPENSES	135,675.
MANAGEMENT AND GENERAL EXPENSES	39,177.
FUNDRAISING EXPENSES	87.
TOTAL EXPENSES	174,939.
TOTAL OTHER FEES ON FORM 990, PART IX, LINE 11G, COL A	576,942.

FORM 990, PART X, LINE 24	
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Name of the organization ORGANIZATION FOR TROPICAL STUDIES, INC.	Employer identification number 56-2125831
ON MAY 12, 2020, OTS RECEIVED LOAN PROCEEDS IN THE AMOUNT	OF \$31,824
UNDER THE PAYCHECK PROTECTION PROGRAM. THE PROMISSORY NOT	E CALLS FOR
MONTHLY PRINCIPAL AND INTEREST PAYMENTS AMORTIZED OVER TH	E TERM OF THE
PROMISSORY NOTE WITH A DEFERRAL OF PAYMENTS FOR THE FIRST	SEVEN MONTHS.
UNDER THE CORONAVIRUS AID, RELIEF, AND ECONOMIC SECURITY	ACT (CARES
ACT), THE PROMISSORY NOTE MAY BE FORGIVEN BY THE SMALL BU	SINESS
ADMINISTRATION IN WHOLE OR IN PART. OTS INTENDS TO USE TH	E PROCEEDS FOR
PURPOSES CONSISTENT WITH THE PAYCHECK PROTECTION PROGRAM	AND BELIEVES
THAT ITS USE OF THE LOAN PROCEEDS WILL MEET THE CONDITION	S FOR
FORGIVENESS OF THE LOAN. OTS INTENDS TO APPLY FOR FORGIVE	NESS AFTER
COMPLETING THE 8 WEEK SPENDING PERIOD. IF FORGIVENESS IS	GRANTED, OTS
WILL RECORD REVENUE FROM DEBT EXTINGUISHMENTS DURING THE	PERIOD THAT
FORGIVENESS WAS APPROVED.	

FORM 990, PART XI, LINE 9, CHANGES IN NET ASSETS:

## CHANGE IN VALUE OF CHARITABLE REMAINDER TRUSTS

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#### (Form 990)

Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service

## **Related Organizations and Unrelated Partnerships**

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

Attach to Form 990.

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Name of the organization

## ORGANIZATION FOR TROPICAL STUDIES, INC.

 $\begin{array}{c} \text{Employer identification number} \\ 56-2125831 \end{array}$ 

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

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

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

(a) Name, address, and EIN of related organization	<b>(b)</b> Primary activity	(c) Legal domicile (state or foreign country)	(d) Exempt Code section	(e) Public charity status (if section	(f) Direct controlling entity	cont	<b>g)</b> 512(b)(13) rolled ity?
				501(c)(3))		Yes	No
NSASANI TRUST	EDUCATION AND RESEARCH				ORGANISATION FOR		
PO BOX 33, SKUKUZA 1350	PROGRAMS IN KRUGER				TROPICAL STUDIES		
MPUMALANGA, SOUTH AFRICA	NATIONAL PARK	SOUTH AFRICA	N/A	N/A	- SOUTH AFRICA	X	
ORGANISATION FOR TROPICAL STUDIES - SOUTH	ESTABLISH, FOSTER, SUPPORT						
AFRICA, PO BOX 33, SKUKUZA 1350, MPUMALANGA,	AND CONDUCT PROGRAMS IN				ORGANIZATION FOR		
SOUTH AFRICA	EDUCATION AND RESEARCH	SOUTH AFRICA	N/A	N/A	TROPICAL STUDIES	X	
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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)	(b)	(c)	(d)		(e)		(f)	(	g)	()	ר)	(i)		(j)	(	k)
Name, address, and EIN of related organization			domicile (state or (state or freeing) entity (related, unrelated, income freeing							Disproportionate allocations?		amount in box 20 of Schedule		managin partner?		
		country)		sections	512-514)					Yes	No	K-1 (Form 10	65) <b>Y</b>	/esNo	<u> </u>	
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(a)			(b)	(c)	(d)		(e)		(f)			(g)	(	(h)	(	(i) ction
Name, address, and		Prim		Legal domicile	Direct cont		Type of	entity	Share o	f total		Share of	Perc	entag	∃ 512(	(b)(1:
of related organizati	on			(state or foreign	entity			S corp, ist)	inco	ne		end-of-year assets	own	ership	cont	trolle tity?
				country)			0110	131)				833613			Yes	N
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INTRO), APARTADO 676-2050,	SAN PEDRO,	ECO-TOURISM		COSTA	FOR TROPI	CAL										
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## Schedule R (Form 990) 2019 ORGANIZATION FOR TROPICAL STUDIES, INC.

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

Note: Complete line 1 if any entity is listed in Parts II, III, or IV of this schedule.							
1	During the tax year, did the organization engage in any of the following transactions with one or more related organizations listed in Parts II-IV?						
а	Receipt of (i) interest, (ii) annuities, (iii) royalties, or (iv) rent from a controlled entity	1a		Х			
	Gift, grant, or capital contribution to related organization(s)	1b		Х			
	Gift, grant, or capital contribution from related organization(s)	1c	X				
	Loans or loan guarantees to or for related organization(s)	1d		X			
	Loans or loan guarantees by related organization(s)	1e		X			
f	Dividends from related organization(s)	1f		X			
g	Sale of assets to related organization(s)	1g		X			
	Purchase of assets from related organization(s)	1h		Х			
i	Exchange of assets with related organization(s)	1i		Х			
j	Lease of facilities, equipment, or other assets to related organization(s)	1j	X				
k	Lease of facilities, equipment, or other assets from related organization(s)	1k		X			
1	Performance of services or membership or fundraising solicitations for related organization(s)	11		Х			
m	Performance of services or membership or fundraising solicitations by related organization(s)	1m		X			
	Sharing of facilities, equipment, mailing lists, or other assets with related organization(s)	1n		Х			
	Sharing of paid employees with related organization(s)	10		Х			
р	Reimbursement paid to related organization(s) for expenses	1p	X				
q	Reimbursement paid by related organization(s) for expenses	1q		Х			
r	Other transfer of cash or property to related organization(s)	1r		Х			
s	Other transfer of cash or property from related organization(s)	1s		Х			
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>(b)</b> Transaction type (a·s)	<b>(c)</b> Amount involved	(d) Method of determining amount involved
(1) ESINTRO	J	53,680.	CONTRACT/MOU
(2) ESINTRO	Р	160,518.	INVOICES
(3) ESINTRO	с	335,041.	TRANSFER OF ASSETS
<u>(4)</u>			
<u>(5)</u>			
_(6)	53		

## Schedule R (Form 990) 2019 ORGANIZATION FOR TROPICAL STUDIES, INC.

#### 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>(b)</b> Primary activity	(c)	(d) Predominant income (related, unrelated, excluded from tax under sections 512-514)	(e) Are a partners 501(c) orgs. Yes I	)      (3) .? No	<b>(f)</b> Share of total income	<b>(g)</b> Share of end-of-year assets	(H Dispr tior alloca <b>Yes</b>	n) opor- nate tions? No	(j) General o managin partner? Yes NC	(k) Percentage ownership

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## Part VII Supplemental Information

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

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