

CHANGE IN ACCOUNTING PERIOD

Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

OMB No. 1545-0047

2020

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Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

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

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A For the 2020 calendar year, or tax year beginning 1/1/2021, and ending 3/31/2021	
B Check if applicable: <input type="checkbox"/> Address change <input type="checkbox"/> Name change <input type="checkbox"/> Initial return <input type="checkbox"/> Final return/terminated <input type="checkbox"/> Amended return <input type="checkbox"/> Application pending	C Name of organization Chicago Zoological Society Doing business as Brookfield Zoo Number and street (or P.O. box if mail is not delivered to street address) Room/suite 3300 Golf Road City or town State ZIP code Brookfield IL 60513 Foreign country name Foreign province/state/county Foreign postal code F Name and address of principal officer: Stuart D. Strahl, Ph.D. 3300 Golf Road, Brookfield, IL 60513 I Tax-exempt status: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 501(c)(3) <input type="checkbox"/> 501(c) () (insert no.) <input type="checkbox"/> 4947(a)(1) or <input type="checkbox"/> 527 J Website: WWW.CZS.ORG K Form of organization: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Corporation <input type="checkbox"/> Trust <input type="checkbox"/> Association <input type="checkbox"/> Other <input type="checkbox"/> L Year of formation: 1921 M State of legal domicile: IL
D Employer identification number 36-2167016 E Telephone number 708-688-8400 G Gross receipts \$ 22,179,335 H(a) Is this a group return for subordinates? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No H(b) Are all subordinates included? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If "No," attach a list. See instructions. H(c) Group exemption number	

Part I Summary

Activities & Governance	1	Briefly describe the organization's mission or most significant activities:	To inspire conservation leadership by connecting people with wildlife and nature.	
	2	Check this box <input type="checkbox"/> if the organization discontinued its operations or disposed of more than 25% of its net assets.		
	3	Number of voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1a)	3	45
	4	Number of independent voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1b)	4	44
	5	Total number of individuals employed in calendar year 2020 (Part V, line 2a)	5	0
	6	Total number of volunteers (estimate if necessary)	6	867
	7a	Total unrelated business revenue from Part VIII, column (C), line 12	7a	26,206
7b	Net unrelated business taxable income from Form 990-T, Part I, line 11	7b	9,196	
Revenue	8	Contributions and grants (Part VIII, line 1h)	Prior Year	Current Year
	9	Program service revenue (Part VIII, line 2g)	38,193,684	5,759,433
	10	Investment income (Part VIII, column (A), lines 3, 4, and 7d)	19,503,699	1,403,748
	11	Other revenue (Part VIII, column (A), lines 5, 6d, 8c, 9c, 10c, and 11e)	1,906,500	689,864
	12	Total revenue—add lines 8 through 11 (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	240,836	14,125
	13	Grants and similar amounts paid (Part IX, column (A), lines 1–3)	59,844,719	7,867,170
	14	Benefits paid to or for members (Part IX, column (A), line 4)	223,303	3,625
	15	Salaries, other compensation, employee benefits (Part IX, column (A), lines 5–10)	0	0
Expenses	16a	Professional fundraising fees (Part IX, column (A), line 11e)	32,187,419	7,027,522
	b	Total fundraising expenses (Part IX, column (D), line 25)	41,243	0
	17	Other expenses (Part IX, column (A), lines 11a–11d, 11f–24e)	612,854	
	18	Total expenses. Add lines 13–17 (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	24,360,287	5,761,688
	19	Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 18 from line 12	56,812,252	12,792,835
Not Assets or Fund Balances	20	Total assets (Part X, line 16)	3,032,467	-4,925,665
	21	Total liabilities (Part X, line 26)	Beginning of Current Year	End of Year
	22	Net assets or fund balances. Subtract line 21 from line 20	212,053,000	213,737,000
			47,049,000	52,945,000
		165,004,000	160,792,000	

Part II Signature Block

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

Sign Here	Signature of officer	Date			
	Stuart D. Strahl, Ph.D.	President and CEO			
Paid Preparer Use Only	Print/Type preparer's name	Preparer's signature	Date	Check <input type="checkbox"/> if self-employed	PTIN
	LuAnn Trapp		7/30/2021		P01506476
	Firm's name	Firm's EIN			
	Plante Moran PLLC	38-1357951			
	Firm's address	Phone no.			
	10 South Riverside Plaza 9th Floor, Chicago, IL 60606	312-207-1040			

May the IRS discuss this return with the preparer shown above? See instructions. ☒ Yes ☐ No

For Paperwork Reduction Act Notice, see the separate instructions.

Form 990 (2020)

Part III**Statement of Program Service Accomplishments**

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

☒ X

1 Briefly describe the organization's mission:

To inspire conservation leadership by connecting people with wildlife and nature.

2 Did the organization undertake any significant program services during the year which were not listed on the prior Form 990 or 990-EZ?

☐ Yes☒ No

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

3 Did the organization cease conducting, or make significant changes in how it conducts, any program services?

☒ Yes☐ No

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

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

4a (Code:) (Expenses \$ 4,920,000 including grants of \$ 3,625) (Revenue \$ 31,069)

Center for Science and Animal Well-Being (CSAW): More than 2500 ambassadors of the animal kingdom provide our visitors with a rare opportunity to see species from around the globe and experience up close, personal encounters with some. Expert care of these ambassadors is a time-honored tradition at CZS, where innovations in husbandry techniques and pioneering breeding programs are part of the cutting edge culture of excellence. CSAW staff integrate disciplines such as population biology, behavioral science, nutrition and veterinary science to determine the best ways to provide and continuously care for the animals. They also incorporate models and practices from around the world, and from an array of animal care professionals, to develop the best possible zoo-based animal care and management practices. Throughout the COVID related closure of the Zoo to the public, staff continued to provide expert care to the over 2500 animals in their care. Staff also participated in daily "Bringing the Zoo to You" virtual keeper chats available for free to the public on social media platforms.

4b (Code:) (Expenses \$ 4,495,790 including grants of \$) (Revenue \$ 980,649)

Park Operations: The CZS maintains 75 buildings on 214 acres of land to exhibit over 2,500 animals. In a typical year, two million visitors annually enjoy the experience of seeing and learning about the animals of the world. Each individual who enters through Brookfield Zoo's gates represents an opportunity to introduce representatives of the wild world, to convey our intertwined connections to the animal kingdom, and to encourage positive change in the world. The zoo was closed to the public Jan-Feb 2021 and open under limited capacity restrictions in March, due to the COVID Pandemic. Indoor areas and special attractions remained closed in Mar. Total attendance for Mar 2021 was 112,641. While open in March, CZS maintained a safe outdoor environment for guests to connect with animals, ensuring abidance with state mandated COVID safety protocols including capacity restrictions, social distancing and mask wearing. The membership team continued to service our 112,000 member households, providing them with the opportunity to participate in conservation and educational efforts of CZS.

4c (Code:) (Expenses \$ 1,041,000 including grants of \$) (Revenue \$ 23,113)

Center for Conservation Leadership (CCL): Through its many conservation and education programs, CZS communicates with others to engender in them a sense of ownership about living harmoniously with nature and helping save endangered species. Education specialists, volunteers, curators, graphic and exhibit designers, photographers and many others contribute to sharing this information both in person and virtually. As well as reaching the daily visitors to the Zoo, CZS engages would be conservationists outside of the Zoo including classrooms of school children, teachers and community leaders. Additionally through field programs, CZS supports efforts to protect and restore populations of threatened species in other parts of the world. The CCL strengthens the bridge between education and conservation, between field research and the animals in our care. During the COVID related closure of the Zoo to the public, CCL staff successfully led many of their classes via virtual learning platforms.

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

(Expenses \$ 0 including grants of \$ 0) (Revenue \$ 0)

4e Total program service expenses 10,456,790

Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules

	Yes	No
1 Is the organization described in section 501(c)(3) or 4947(a)(1) (other than a private foundation)? If "Yes," complete Schedule A.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2 Is the organization required to complete Schedule B, Schedule of Contributors See instructions?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5 Is the organization a section 501(c)(4), 501(c)(5), or 501(c)(6) organization that receives membership dues, assessments, or similar amounts as defined in Revenue Procedure 98-19? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part III.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
8 Did the organization maintain collections of works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part III.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
9 Did the organization report an amount in Part X, line 21, for escrow or custodial account liability, serve as a custodian for amounts not listed in Part X; or provide credit counseling, debt management, credit repair, or debt negotiation services? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part IV.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
11 If the organization's answer to any of the following questions is "Yes," then complete Schedule D, Parts VI, VII, VIII, IX, or X as applicable.		
a Did the organization report an amount for land, buildings, and equipment in Part X, line 10? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VI.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
c Did the organization report an amount for investments—program related in Part X, line 13, that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VIII.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
e Did the organization report an amount for other liabilities in Part X, line 25? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
12a Did the organization obtain separate, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Parts XI and XII.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
13 Is the organization a school described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? If "Yes," complete Schedule E.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
14a Did the organization maintain an office, employees, or agents outside of the United States?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
15 Did the organization report on Part IX, column (A), line 3, more than \$5,000 of grants or other assistance to or for any foreign organization? If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts II and IV.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
16 Did the organization report on Part IX, column (A), line 3, more than \$5,000 of aggregate grants or other assistance to or for foreign individuals? If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts III and IV.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
17 Did the organization report a total of more than \$15,000 of expenses for professional fundraising services on Part IX, column (A), lines 6 and 11e? If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part I See instructions.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
20a Did the organization operate one or more hospital facilities? If "Yes," complete Schedule H.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
b If "Yes" to line 20a, did the organization attach a copy of its audited financial statements to this return?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules (continued)

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

Part V Statements Regarding Other IRS Filings and Tax Compliance

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

X

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

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

		Yes	No
2a	Enter the number of employees reported on Form W-3, Transmittal of Wage and Tax Statements, filed for the calendar year ending with or within the year covered by this return	2a	0
b	If at least one is reported on line 2a, did the organization file all required federal employment tax returns?	2b	
Note: If the sum of lines 1a and 2a is greater than 250, you may be required to e-file. (see instructions)			
3a	Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year?	3a	X
b	If "Yes," has it filed a Form 990-T for this year? If "No," to line 3b, provide an explanation on Schedule O	3b	X
4a	At any time during the calendar year, did the organization have an interest in, or a signature or other authority over, a financial account in a foreign country (such as a bank account, securities account, or other financial account)?	4a	X
b	If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country See instructions for filing requirements for FinCEN Form 114, Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts (FBAR).		
5a	Was the organization a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction at any time during the tax year?	5a	X
b	Did any taxable party notify the organization that it was or is a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction?	5b	X
c	If "Yes" to line 5a or 5b, did the organization file Form 8886-T?	5c	
6a	Does the organization have annual gross receipts that are normally greater than \$100,000, and did the organization solicit any contributions that were not tax deductible as charitable contributions?	6a	X
b	If "Yes," did the organization include with every solicitation an express statement that such contributions or gifts were not tax deductible?	6b	
7	Organizations that may receive deductible contributions under section 170(c).		
a	Did the organization receive a payment in excess of \$75 made partly as a contribution and partly for goods and services provided to the payor?	7a	X
b	If "Yes," did the organization notify the donor of the value of the goods or services provided?	7b	X
c	Did the organization sell, exchange, or otherwise dispose of tangible personal property for which it was required to file Form 8282?	7c	X
d	If "Yes," indicate the number of Forms 8282 filed during the year	7d	
e	Did the organization receive any funds, directly or indirectly, to pay premiums on a personal benefit contract?	7e	X
f	Did the organization, during the year, pay premiums, directly or indirectly, on a personal benefit contract?	7f	X
g	If the organization received a contribution of qualified intellectual property, did the organization file Form 8899 as required?	7g	
h	If the organization received a contribution of cars, boats, airplanes, or other vehicles, did the organization file a Form 1098-C?	7h	
8	Sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds. Did a donor advised fund maintained by the sponsoring organization have excess business holdings at any time during the year?	8	
9	Sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds.		
a	Did the sponsoring organization make any taxable distributions under section 4966?	9a	
b	Did the sponsoring organization make a distribution to a donor, donor advisor, or related person?	9b	
10	Section 501(c)(7) organizations. Enter:		
a	Initiation fees and capital contributions included on Part VIII, line 12	10a	
b	Gross receipts, included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, for public use of club facilities	10b	
11	Section 501(c)(12) organizations. Enter:		
a	Gross income from members or shareholders	11a	
b	Gross income from other sources (Do not net amounts due or paid to other sources against amounts due or received from them.)	11b	
12a	Section 4947(a)(1) non-exempt charitable trusts. Is the organization filing Form 990 in lieu of Form 1041?	12a	
b	If "Yes," enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the year	12b	
13	Section 501(c)(29) qualified nonprofit health insurance issuers.		
a	Is the organization licensed to issue qualified health plans in more than one state?	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	
c	Enter the amount of reserves on hand	13c	
14a	Did the organization receive any payments for indoor tanning services during the tax year?	14a	X
b	If "Yes," has it filed a Form 720 to report these payments? If "No," provide an explanation on Schedule O	14b	
15	Is the organization subject to the section 4960 tax on payment(s) of more than \$1,000,000 in remuneration or excess parachute payment(s) during the year	15	X
If "Yes," see instructions and file Form 4720, Schedule N.			
16	Is the organization an educational institution subject to the section 4968 excise tax on net investment income?	16	X
If "Yes," complete Form 4720, Schedule O.			

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

Section A. Governing Body and Management

		Yes	No
1a	Enter the number of voting members of the governing body at the end of the tax year. If there are material differences in voting rights among members of the governing body, or if the governing body delegated broad authority to an executive committee or similar committee, explain on Schedule O.	45	
b	Enter the number of voting members included on line 1a, above, who are independent.	44	
2	Did any officer, director, trustee, or key employee have a family relationship or a business relationship with any other officer, director, trustee, or key employee?	X	
3	Did the organization delegate control over management duties customarily performed by or under the direct supervision of officers, directors, trustees, or key employees to a management company or other person?	X	
4	Did the organization make any significant changes to its governing documents since the prior Form 990 was filed?		X
5	Did the organization become aware during the year of a significant diversion of the organization's assets?		X
6	Did the organization have members or stockholders?	X	
7a	Did the organization have members, stockholders, or other persons who had the power to elect or appoint one or more members of the governing body?	X	
b	Are any governance decisions of the organization reserved to (or subject to approval by) members, stockholders, or persons other than the governing body?		X
8	Did the organization contemporaneously document the meetings held or written actions undertaken during the year by the following:		
a	The governing body?	X	
b	Each committee with authority to act on behalf of the governing body?	X	
9	Is there any officer, director, trustee, or key employee listed in Part VII, Section A, who cannot be reached at the organization's mailing address? If "Yes," provide the names and addresses on Schedule O.		X

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

	Yes	No
10a		X
b		
11a	X	
b		
12a	X	
b	X	
c	X	
13	X	
14	X	
15		
a	X	
b	X	
16a		X
b		

Section C. Disclosure

17 List the states with which a copy of this Form 990 is required to be filed. ☒ FL ☒ IL ☒ WI

18 Section 6104 requires an organization to make its Forms 1023 (1024 or 1024-A, if applicable), 990, and 990-T (Section 501(c)(3)s only) available for public inspection. Indicate how you made these available. Check all that apply.
☐ Own website ☐ Another's website ☒ Upon request ☐ Other (explain on Schedule O)

19 Describe on Schedule O whether (and if so, how) the organization made its governing documents, conflict of interest policy, and financial statements available to the public during the tax year.

20 State the name, address, and telephone number of the person who possesses the organization's books and records. ☒ David E. Burns
 3300 Golf Road, Brookfield, IL 60513 708-688-8400

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

				(A) Total revenue	(B) Related or exempt function revenue	(C) Unrelated business revenue	(D) Revenue excluded from tax under sections 512-514
Contributions, Gifts, Grants and Other Similar Amounts	1a	Federated campaigns	1a	0			
	b	Membership dues	1b	2,650			
	c	Fundraising events	1c	0			
	d	Related organizations	1d	0			
	e	Government grants (contributions)	1e	3,954,678			
	f	All other contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts not included above	1f	1,802,105			
	g	Noncash contributions included in lines 1a-1f	1g	\$ 24,967			
	h	Total. Add lines 1a-1f		5,759,433			
Program Service Revenue	Business Code						
	2a	General Admissions	900099	412,708	412,708		
	b	Memberships	900099	558,083	558,083		
	c	Visitor Services	900099	263,712	33,445		230,267
	d	Admissions-Internal Attractions	900099	736	736		
	e	Visitor Parking	900099	125,452			125,452
	f	All other program service revenue		43,057	3,653	26,206	13,198
	g	Total. Add lines 2a-2f		1,403,748			
Other Revenue	3	Investment income (including dividends, interest, and other similar amounts)		27,051			-27,051
	4	Income from investment of tax-exempt bond proceeds		0			
	5	Royalties		0			
	6a	Gross rents	(i) Real	14,125			
			(ii) Personal				
	6b	Less: rental expenses					
	6c	Rental income or (loss)		14,125	0		
	d	Net rental income or (loss)		14,125			14,125
	7a	Gross amount from sales of assets other than inventory	(i) Securities	15,029,080	0		
			(ii) Other				
	7b	Less: cost or other basis and sales expenses		14,312,165	0		
	7c	Gain or (loss)		716,915	0		
	d	Net gain or (loss)		716,915			716,915
	8a	Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ of contributions reported on line 1c). See Part IV, line 18		0			
	8b	Less: direct expenses		0			
c	Net income or (loss) from fundraising events		0				
9a	Gross income from gaming activities. See Part IV, line 19		0				
9b	Less: direct expenses		0				
c	Net income or (loss) from gaming activities		0				
10a	Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances		0				
10b	Less: cost of goods sold		0				
c	Net income or (loss) from sales of inventory		0				
Miscellaneous Revenue	Business Code						
	11a			0			
	b			0			
	c			0			
	d	All other revenue		0			
	e	Total. Add lines 11a-11d		0			
12	Total revenue. See instructions		7,867,170	1,008,625	26,206	1,072,906	

Part IX Statement of Functional Expenses

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

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

Do not include amounts reported on lines 6b, 7b, 8b, 9b, and 10b of Part VIII.		(A) Total expenses	(B) Program service expenses	(C) Management and general expenses	(D) Fundraising expenses
1	Grants and other assistance to domestic organizations domestic governments. See Part IV, line 21	0			
2	Grants and other assistance to domestic individuals. See Part IV, line 22	0			
3	Grants and other assistance to foreign organizations, foreign governments, and foreign individuals. See Part IV, lines 15 and 16	3,625	3,625		
4	Benefits paid to or for members	0			
5	Compensation of current officers, directors, trustees, and key employees	583,062	247,873	158,648	176,541
6	Compensation not included above to disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)) and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B)	0			
7	Other salaries and wages	4,961,648	3,949,826	713,975	297,847
8	Pension plan accruals and contributions (include section 401(k) and 403(b) employer contributions)	169,554	134,977	24,399	10,178
9	Other employee benefits	899,115	696,621	155,405	47,089
10	Payroll taxes	414,143	329,687	59,595	24,861
11	Fees for services (nonemployees):				
a	Management	0			
b	Legal	165,680		165,680	
c	Accounting	8,400		8,400	
d	Lobbying	17,314		17,314	
e	Professional fundraising services. See Part IV, line 17	0			
f	Investment management fees	32,626		32,626	
g	Other. (If line 11g amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A) amount, list line 11g expenses on Schedule O.)	955,451	878,298	68,022	9,131
12	Advertising and promotion	82,243		82,243	
13	Office expenses	982,519	923,186	29,601	29,732
14	Information technology	55,226		55,226	
15	Royalties	1,846	1,846		
16	Occupancy	466,489	463,609	2,235	645
17	Travel	61	61		
18	Payments of travel or entertainment expenses for any federal, state, or local public officials	0			
19	Conferences, conventions, and meetings	5,524	2,687	1,780	1,057
20	Interest	52,415	52,415		
21	Payments to affiliates	0			
22	Depreciation, depletion, and amortization	2,167,444	2,048,941	107,842	10,661
23	Insurance	281,072	256,522	19,438	5,112
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 O.)				
a	Animal Food and Transport	255,609	255,609		
b	Revenue Bond Maintenance Fees	143,278	143,278		
c	UBI Taxes	2,896	2,896		
d		0			
e	All other expenses Miscellaneous	85,595	64,833	20,762	
25	Total functional expenses. Add lines 1 through 24e	12,792,835	10,456,790	1,723,191	612,854
26	Joint costs. Complete this line only if the organization reported in column (B) joint costs from a combined educational campaign and fundraising solicitation. Check here <input type="checkbox"/> if following SOP 98-2 (ASC 958-720)				

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

		(A) Beginning of year		(B) End of year
Assets	1 Cash—non-interest-bearing	506,662	1	881,784
	2 Savings and temporary cash investments	27,671,049	2	30,255,424
	3 Pledges and grants receivable, net	4,732,606	3	3,961,573
	4 Accounts receivable, net	828,165	4	488,355
	5 Loans and other receivables from 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	0	5	0
	6 Loans and other receivables from other disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)), and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B)	0	6	0
	7 Notes and loans receivable, net	0	7	0
	8 Inventories for sale or use	0	8	0
	9 Prepaid expenses and deferred charges	557,950	9	1,596,717
	10a Land, buildings, and equipment: cost or other basis. Complete Part VI of Schedule D	10a 287,480,314		
	b Less: accumulated depreciation	10b 168,551,858	121,062,347	10c 118,928,456
	11 Investments—publicly traded securities	56,576,000	11	57,504,000
	12 Investments—other securities. See Part IV, line 11	0	12	0
	13 Investments—program-related. See Part IV, line 11	0	13	0
	14 Intangible assets	0	14	0
	15 Other assets. See Part IV, line 11	118,221	15	120,691
16 Total assets. Add lines 1 through 15 (must equal line 33)	212,053,000	16	213,737,000	
Liabilities	17 Accounts payable and accrued expenses	3,985,397	17	4,633,276
	18 Grants payable	0	18	0
	19 Deferred revenue	9,365,491	19	14,988,739
	20 Tax-exempt bond liabilities	29,975,000	20	29,975,000
	21 Escrow or custodial account liability. Complete Part IV of Schedule D	0	21	0
	22 Loans and other 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	0	22	0
	23 Secured mortgages and notes payable to unrelated third parties	0	23	0
	24 Unsecured notes and loans payable to unrelated third parties	0	24	0
	25 Other liabilities (including federal income tax payables to related third parties, and other liabilities not included on lines 17–24). Complete Part X of Schedule D	3,723,112	25	3,347,985
	26 Total liabilities. Add lines 17 through 25	47,049,000	26	52,945,000
Net Assets or Fund Balances	Organizations that follow FASB ASC 958, check here <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 27, 28, 32, and 33.			
	27 Net assets without donor restrictions	140,959,000	27	136,076,000
	28 Net assets with donor restrictions	24,045,000	28	24,716,000
	Organizations that do not follow FASB ASC 958, check here <input type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 29 through 33.			
	29 Capital stock or trust principal, or current funds	0	29	
	30 Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, building, or equipment fund	0	30	
	31 Retained earnings, endowment, accumulated income, or other funds	0	31	
	32 Total net assets or fund balances.	165,004,000	32	160,792,000
33 Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances.	212,053,000	33	213,737,000	

Part XI Reconciliation of Net AssetsCheck if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part XI. ☒ X

1	Total revenue (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	1	7,867,170
2	Total expenses (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	2	12,792,835
3	Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 2 from line 1	3	-4,925,665
4	Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (must equal Part X, line 32, column (A))	4	165,004,000
5	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	5	459,355
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	254,310
10	Net assets or fund balances at end of year. Combine lines 3 through 9 (must equal Part X, line 32, column (B))	10	160,792,000

Part XII Financial Statements and ReportingCheck if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part XII. ☐

	Yes	No
1 Accounting method used to prepare the Form 990: <input type="checkbox"/> Cash <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Accrual <input type="checkbox"/> Other If the organization changed its method of accounting from a prior year or checked "Other," explain in Schedule O.		
2a Were the organization's financial statements compiled or reviewed by an independent accountant? If "Yes," check a box below to indicate whether the financial statements for the year were compiled or reviewed on a separate basis, consolidated basis, or both: <input type="checkbox"/> Separate basis <input type="checkbox"/> Consolidated basis <input type="checkbox"/> Both consolidated and separate basis		X
b Were the organization's financial statements audited by an independent accountant? If "Yes," check a box below to indicate whether the financial statements for the year were audited on a separate basis, consolidated basis, or both: <input type="checkbox"/> Separate basis <input type="checkbox"/> Consolidated basis <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Both consolidated and separate basis	X	
c If "Yes" to line 2a or 2b, does the organization have a committee that assumes responsibility for oversight of the audit, review, or compilation of its financial statements and selection of an independent accountant? If the organization changed either its oversight process or selection process during the tax year, explain on Schedule O.	X	
3a As a result of a federal award, was the organization required to undergo an audit or audits as set forth in the Single Audit Act and OMB Circular A-133?		X
b If "Yes," did the organization undergo the required audit or audits? If the organization did not undergo the required audit or audits, explain why on Schedule O and describe any steps taken to undergo such audits.		

SCHEDULE A
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Public Charity Status and Public Support

OMB No. 1545-0047

2020

Open to Public
Inspection

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

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

▶ Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ.

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

Name of the organization

Chicago Zoological Society

Employer identification number

36-2167016

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

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

- 1 ☐ A church, convention of churches, or association of churches described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(i).**
- 2 ☐ A school described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii).** (Attach Schedule E (Form 990 or 990-EZ).)
- 3 ☐ A hospital or a cooperative hospital service organization described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii).**
- 4 ☐ A medical research organization operated in conjunction with a hospital described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii).** Enter the hospital's name, city, and state: _____
- 5 ☐ An organization operated for the benefit of a college or university owned or operated by a governmental unit described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iv).** (Complete Part II.)
- 6 ☐ A federal, state, or local government or governmental unit described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(v).**
- 7 ☒ An organization that normally receives a substantial part of its support from a governmental unit or from the general public described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi).** (Complete Part II.)
- 8 ☐ A community trust described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi).** (Complete Part II.)
- 9 ☐ An agricultural research organization described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(ix)** operated in conjunction with a land-grant college or university or a non-land-grant college of agriculture (see instructions). Enter the name, city, and state of the college or university: _____
- 10 ☐ An organization that normally receives: (1) more than 33 1/3% of its support from contributions, membership fees, and gross receipts from activities related to its exempt functions—subject to certain exceptions, and (2) no more than 33 1/3% of its support from gross investment income and unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 tax) from businesses acquired by the organization after June 30, 1975. See **section 509(a)(2).** (Complete Part III.)
- 11 ☐ An organization organized and operated exclusively to test for public safety. See **section 509(a)(4).**
- 12 ☐ An organization organized and operated exclusively for the benefit of, to perform the functions of, or to carry out the purposes of one or more publicly supported organizations described in **section 509(a)(1)** or **section 509(a)(2).** See **section 509(a)(3).** Check the box in lines 12a through 12d that describes the type of supporting organization and complete lines 12e, 12f, and 12g.
- a ☐ **Type I.** A supporting organization operated, supervised, or controlled by its supported organization(s), typically by giving the supported organization(s) the power to regularly appoint or elect a majority of the directors or trustees of the supporting organization. **You must complete Part IV, Sections A and B.**
- b ☐ **Type II.** A supporting organization supervised or controlled in connection with its supported organization(s), by having control or management of the supporting organization vested in the same persons that control or manage the supported organization(s). **You must complete Part IV, Sections A and C.**
- c ☐ **Type III functionally integrated.** A supporting organization operated in connection with, and functionally integrated with, its supported organization(s) (see instructions). **You must complete Part IV, Sections A, D, and E.**
- d ☐ **Type III non-functionally integrated.** A supporting organization operated in connection with its supported organization(s) that is not functionally integrated. The organization generally must satisfy a distribution requirement and an attentiveness requirement (see instructions). **You must complete Part IV, Sections A and D, and Part V.**
- e ☐ Check this box if the organization received a written determination from the IRS that it is a Type I, Type II, Type III functionally integrated, or Type III non-functionally integrated supporting organization.
- f Enter the number of supported organizations: 0
- g Provide the following information about the supported organization(s).

(i) Name of supported organization	(ii) EIN	(iii) Type of organization (described on lines 1–10 above (see instructions))	(iv) Is the organization listed in your governing document?		(v) Amount of monetary support (see instructions)	(vi) Amount of other support (see instructions)
			Yes	No		
(A)						
(B)						
(C)						
(D)						
(E)						
Total					0	0

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

Section A. Public Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in)	(a) 2016	(b) 2017	(c) 2018	(d) 2019	(e) 2020	(f) Total
1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received. (Do not include any "unusual grants.")	24,608,097	21,190,270	23,367,263	23,516,558	1,851,264	94,533,452
2 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf	15,115,544	15,178,033	14,573,917	14,677,126	3,908,169	63,452,789
3 The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge						0
4 Total. Add lines 1 through 3	39,723,641	36,368,303	37,941,180	38,193,684	5,759,433	157,986,241
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).						4,863,620
6 Public support. Subtract line 5 from line 4						153,122,621

Section B. Total Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in)	(a) 2016	(b) 2017	(c) 2018	(d) 2019	(e) 2020	(f) Total
7 Amounts from line 4	39,723,641	36,368,303	37,941,180	38,193,684	5,759,433	157,986,241
8 Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties, and income from similar sources	1,014,980	1,509,502	1,906,637	896,735	0	5,327,854
9 Net income from unrelated business activities, whether or not the business is regularly carried on			29,847	40,865	9,196	79,908
10 Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part VI.)						0
11 Total support. Add lines 7 through 10						163,394,003
12 Gross receipts from related activities, etc. (see instructions)					12	120,761,000
13 First 5 years. If the Form 990 is for the organization's first, second, third, fourth, or fifth tax year as a section 501(c)(3) organization, check this box and stop here						<input type="checkbox"/>

Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage

14 Public support percentage for 2020 (line 6, column (f), divided by line 11, column (f))	14	93.71%
15 Public support percentage from 2019 Schedule A, Part II, line 14	15	94.45%
16a 33 1/3% support test—2020. If the organization did not check the box on line 13, and line 14 is 33 1/3% or more, check this box and stop here. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
b 33 1/3% support test—2019. If the organization did not check a box on line 13 or 16a, and line 15 is 33 1/3% or more, check this box and stop here. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization		<input type="checkbox"/>
17a 10%-facts-and-circumstances test—2020. If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, or 16b, and line 14 is 10% or more, and if the organization meets the facts-and-circumstances test, check this box and stop here. Explain in Part VI how the organization meets the facts-and-circumstances test. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization		<input type="checkbox"/>
b 10%-facts-and-circumstances test—2019. If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, 16b, or 17a, and line 15 is 10% or more, and if the organization meets the facts-and-circumstances test, check this box and stop here. Explain in Part VI how the organization meets the facts-and-circumstances test. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization		<input type="checkbox"/>
18 Private foundation. If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, 16b, 17a, or 17b, check this box and see instructions		<input type="checkbox"/>

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

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

Section A. Public Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in)	(a) 2016	(b) 2017	(c) 2018	(d) 2019	(e) 2020	(f) Total
1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received. (Do not include any "unusual grants.")						0
2 Gross receipts from admissions, merchandise sold or services performed, or facilities furnished in any activity that is related to the organization's tax-exempt purpose.						0
3 Gross receipts from activities that are not an unrelated trade or business under section 513.						0
4 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf.						0
5 The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge.						0
6 Total. Add lines 1 through 5.	0	0	0	0	0	0
7a Amounts included on lines 1, 2, and 3 received from disqualified persons.						0
b Amounts included on lines 2 and 3 received from other than disqualified persons that exceed the greater of \$5,000 or 1% of the amount on line 13 for the year.						0
c Add lines 7a and 7b.	0	0	0	0	0	0
8 Public support. (Subtract line 7c from line 6.)						0

Section B. Total Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in)	(a) 2016	(b) 2017	(c) 2018	(d) 2019	(e) 2020	(f) Total
9 Amounts from line 6.	0	0	0	0	0	0
10a Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties, and income from similar sources.						0
b Unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 taxes) from businesses acquired after June 30, 1975.						0
c Add lines 10a and 10b.	0	0	0	0	0	0
11 Net income from unrelated business activities not included in line 10b, whether or not the business is regularly carried on.						0
12 Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part VI.)						0
13 Total support. (Add lines 9, 10c, 11, and 12.)	0	0	0	0	0	0
14 First 5 years. If the Form 990 is for the organization's first, second, third, fourth, or fifth tax year as a section 501(c)(3) organization, check this box and stop here .						<input type="checkbox"/>

Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage

15 Public support percentage for 2020 (line 8, column (f), divided by line 13, column (f)).	15	0.00%
16 Public support percentage from 2019 Schedule A, Part III, line 15.	16	0.00%

Section D. Computation of Investment Income Percentage

17 Investment income percentage for 2020 (line 10c, column (f), divided by line 13, column (f)).	17	0.00%
18 Investment income percentage from 2019 Schedule A, Part III, line 17.	18	0.00%

19a 33 1/3% support tests—2020. If the organization did not check the box on line 14, and line 15 is more than 33 1/3%, and line 17 is not more than 33 1/3%, check this box and **stop here**. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization. ☐

b 33 1/3% support tests—2019. If the organization did not check a box on line 14 or line 19a, and line 16 is more than 33 1/3%, and line 18 is not more than 33 1/3%, check this box and **stop here**. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization. ☐

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

Part IV Supporting Organizations

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

Section A. All Supporting Organizations

	Yes	No
1 Are all of the organization's supported organizations listed by name in the organization's governing documents? If "No," describe in Part VI how the supported organizations are designated. If designated by class or purpose, describe the designation. If historic and continuing relationship, explain.		
2 Did the organization have any supported organization that does not have an IRS determination of status under section 509(a)(1) or (2)? If "Yes," explain in Part VI how the organization determined that the supported organization was described in section 509(a)(1) or (2).		
3a Did the organization have a supported organization described in section 501(c)(4), (5), or (6)? If "Yes," answer lines 3b and 3c 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 box 12a or 12b in Part I, answer lines 4b and 4c 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 lines 5b and 5c 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 line 10b below.		
b Did the organization have any excess business holdings in the tax year? (Use Schedule C, Form 4720, to determine whether the organization had excess business holdings.)		

Part IV Supporting Organizations (continued)

	Yes	No
11 Has the organization accepted a gift or contribution from any of the following persons?		
a A person who directly or indirectly controls, either alone or together with persons described in lines 11b and 11c below, the governing body of a supported organization?		
b A family member of a person described in line 11a above?		
c A 35% controlled entity of a person described in line 11a or 11b above? If "Yes" to line 11a, 11b, or 11c, provide detail in Part VI .		
11a		
11b		
11c		

Section B. Type I Supporting Organizations

	Yes	No
1 Did the governing body, members of the governing body, officers acting in their official capacity, or membership of one or more supported organizations have the power to regularly appoint or elect at least a majority of the organization's officers, 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 officers, directors, or trustees were allocated among the supported organizations and what conditions or restrictions, if any, applied to such powers during the tax year.		
2 Did the organization operate for the benefit of any supported organization other than the supported organization(s) that operated, supervised, or controlled the supporting organization? If "Yes," explain in Part VI how providing such benefit carried out the purposes of the supported organization(s) that operated, supervised, or controlled the supporting organization.		
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Section C. Type II Supporting Organizations

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

Section D. All Type III Supporting Organizations

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

Section E. Type III Functionally Integrated Supporting Organizations

1 Check the box next to the method that the organization used to satisfy the Integral Part Test during the year (see instructions).			
a <input type="checkbox"/> The organization satisfied the Activities Test. Complete line 2 below.			
b <input type="checkbox"/> The organization is the parent of each of its supported organizations. Complete line 3 below.			
c <input type="checkbox"/> The organization supported a governmental entity. Describe in Part VI how you supported a governmental entity (see instructions).			
2 Activities Test. Answer lines 2a and 2b below.			
a Did substantially all of the organization's activities during the tax year directly further the exempt purposes of the supported organization(s) to which the organization was responsive? If "Yes," then in Part VI identify those supported organizations and explain how these activities directly furthered their exempt purposes, how the organization was responsive to those supported organizations, and how the organization determined that these activities constituted substantially all of its activities.	Yes	No	
b Did the activities described in line 2a, above, constitute activities that, but for the organization's involvement, one or more of the organization's supported organization(s) would have been engaged in? If "Yes," explain in Part VI the reasons for the organization's position that its supported organization(s) would have engaged in these activities but for the organization's involvement.			
3 Parent of Supported Organizations. Answer lines 3a and 3b below.			
a Did the organization have the power to regularly appoint or elect a majority of the officers, directors, or trustees of each of the supported organizations? If "Yes" or "No," provide details in Part VI .			
b Did the organization exercise a substantial degree of direction over the policies, programs, and activities of each of its supported organizations? If "Yes," describe in Part VI the role played by the organization in this regard.			
2a			
2b			
3a			
3b			

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

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

Section A - Adjusted Net Income		(A) Prior Year	(B) Current Year (optional)
1 Net short-term capital gain	1		
2 Recoveries of prior-year distributions	2		
3 Other gross income (see instructions)	3		
4 Add lines 1 through 3.	4	0	0
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	0	0

Section B - Minimum Asset Amount		(A) Prior Year	(B) Current Year (optional)
1 Aggregate fair market value of all non-exempt-use assets (see instructions for short tax year or assets held for part of year):			
a Average monthly value of securities	1a		
b Average monthly cash balances	1b		
c Fair market value of other non-exempt-use assets	1c		
d Total (add lines 1a, 1b, and 1c)	1d	0	0
e Discount claimed for blockage or other factors (explain in detail in Part VI):			
2 Acquisition indebtedness applicable to non-exempt-use assets	2		
3 Subtract line 2 from line 1d.	3	0	0
4 Cash deemed held for exempt use. Enter 0.015 of line 3 (for greater amount, see instructions).	4	0	0
5 Net value of non-exempt-use assets (subtract line 4 from line 3)	5	0	0
6 Multiply line 5 by 0.035.	6	0	0
7 Recoveries of prior-year distributions	7	0	0
8 Minimum Asset Amount (add line 7 to line 6)	8	0	0

Section C - Distributable Amount			Current Year
1 Adjusted net income for prior year (from Section A, line 8, column A)	1		0
2 Enter 0.85 of line 1.	2		0
3 Minimum asset amount for prior year (from Section B, line 8, column A)	3		0
4 Enter greater of line 2 or line 3.	4		0
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		0

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

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

Section D - Distributions		Current Year
1	Amounts paid to supported organizations to accomplish exempt purposes	
2	Amounts paid to perform activity that directly furthers exempt purposes of supported organizations, in excess of income from activity	
3	Administrative expenses paid to accomplish exempt purposes of supported organizations	
4	Amounts paid to acquire exempt-use assets	
5	Qualified set-aside amounts (prior IRS approval required—provide details in Part VI)	
6	Other distributions (describe in Part VI). See instructions.	
7	Total annual distributions. Add lines 1 through 6.	0
8	Distributions to attentive supported organizations to which the organization is responsive (provide details in Part VI). See instructions.	
9	Distributable amount for 2020 from Section C, line 6	0
10	Line 8 amount divided by line 9 amount	0.000

Section E - Distribution Allocations (see instructions)		(i) Excess Distributions	(ii) Underdistributions Pre-2020	(iii) Distributable Amount for 2020
1	Distributable amount for 2020 from Section C, line 6			0
2	Underdistributions, if any, for years prior to 2020 (reasonable cause required—explain in Part VI). See instructions.			
3	Excess distributions carryover, if any, to 2020			
a	From 2015			
b	From 2016			
c	From 2017			
d	From 2018			
e	From 2019			
f	Total of lines 3a through 3e	0		
g	Applied to underdistributions of prior years		0	
h	Applied to 2020 distributable amount			0
i	Carryover from 2015 not applied (see instructions)			
j	Remainder. Subtract lines 3g, 3h, and 3i from line 3f.	0		
4	Distributions for 2020 from Section D, line 7: \$ 0			
a	Applied to underdistributions of prior years		0	
b	Applied to 2020 distributable amount			0
c	Remainder. Subtract lines 4a and 4b from line 4.	0		
5	Remaining underdistributions for years prior to 2020, if any. Subtract lines 3g and 4a from line 2. For result greater than zero, explain in Part VI. See instructions.		0	
6	Remaining underdistributions for 2020. Subtract lines 3h and 4b from line 1. For result greater than zero, explain in Part VI. See instructions.			0
7	Excess distributions carryover to 2021. Add lines 3j and 4c.	0		
8	Breakdown of line 7:			
a	Excess from 2016	0		
b	Excess from 2017	0		
c	Excess from 2018	0		
d	Excess from 2019	0		
e	Excess from 2020	0		

Part VI

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

SCHEDULE C
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Political Campaign and Lobbying Activities

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Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

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

- ▶ Complete if the organization is described below. ▶ Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ.
▶ Go to www.irs.gov/Form990 for instructions and the latest information.

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

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

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

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

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

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

Name of organization Chicago Zoological Society	Employer identification number 36-2167016
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Part I-A Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c) or is a section 527 organization.

- 1 Provide a description of the organization's direct and indirect political campaign activities in Part IV. (See instructions for definition of "political campaign activities")
- 2 Political campaign activity expenditures (See instructions) ▶ \$
- 3 Volunteer hours for political campaign activities (See instructions)

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

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

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

- 1 Enter the amount directly expended by the filing organization for section 527 exempt function activities ▶ \$
- 2 Enter the amount of the filing organization's funds contributed to other organizations for section 527 exempt function activities ▶ \$
- 3 Total exempt function expenditures. Add lines 1 and 2. Enter here and on Form 1120-POL, line 17b ▶ \$ 0
- 4 Did the filing organization file Form 1120-POL for this year? ☐ Yes ☐ No
- 5 Enter the names, addresses and employer identification number (EIN) of all section 527 political organizations to which the filing organization made payments. For each organization listed, enter the amount paid from the filing organization's funds. Also enter the amount of political contributions received that were promptly and directly delivered to a separate political organization, such as a separate segregated fund or a political action committee (PAC). If additional space is needed, provide information in Part IV.

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

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

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

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

4-Year Averaging Period Under Section 501(h)

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

Lobbying Expenditures During 4-Year Averaging Period					
Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in)	(a) 2017	(b) 2018	(c) 2019	(d) 2020	(e) Total
2a Lobbying nontaxable amount				0	0
b Lobbying ceiling amount (150% of line 2a, column(e))					0
c Total lobbying expenditures				0	0
d Grassroots nontaxable amount				0	0
e Grassroots ceiling amount (150% of line 2d, column (e))					0
f Grassroots lobbying expenditures				0	0

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

For each "Yes" response on lines 1a through 1i below, provide in Part IV a detailed description of the lobbying activity.

		(a)		(b)
		Yes	No	Amount
1	During the year, did the filing organization attempt to influence foreign, national, state, or local legislation, including any attempt to influence public opinion on a legislative matter or referendum, through the use of:			
a	Volunteers?		X	
b	Paid staff or management (include compensation in expenses reported on lines 1c through 1i)?	X		
c	Media advertisements?		X	
d	Mailings to members, legislators, or the public?		X	
e	Publications, or published or broadcast statements?		X	
f	Grants to other organizations for lobbying purposes?		X	
g	Direct contact with legislators, their staffs, government officials, or a legislative body?	X		21,646
h	Rallies, demonstrations, seminars, conventions, speeches, lectures, or any similar means?		X	
i	Other activities?		X	
j	Total. Add lines 1c through 1i.			21,646
2a	Did the activities in line 1 cause the organization to be not described in section 501(c)(3)?		X	
b	If "Yes," enter the amount of any tax incurred under section 4912.			
c	If "Yes," enter the amount of any tax incurred by organization managers under section 4912.			
d	If the filing organization incurred a section 4912 tax, did it file Form 4720 for this year?			

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

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

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

1	Dues, assessments and similar amounts from members	1	
2	Section 162(e) nondeductible lobbying and political expenditures (do not include amounts of political expenses for which the section 527(f) tax was paid).		
a	Current year	2a	
b	Carryover from last year	2b	
c	Total	2c	0
3	Aggregate amount reported in section 6033(e)(1)(A) notices of nondeductible section 162(e) dues	3	
4	If notices were sent and the amount on line 2c exceeds the amount on line 3, what portion of the excess does the organization agree to carryover to the reasonable estimate of nondeductible lobbying and political expenditure next year?	4	
5	Taxable amount of lobbying and political expenditures (See instructions)	5	0

Part IV Supplemental Information

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

Part II-B Line 1A-J: The Chicago Zoological Society is a private non profit organization that

operates Brookfield Zoo on land owned by the Forest Preserve District of Cook County, Brookfield Zoo

was created through an act of the Illinois Legislature and the Society annually receives partial

funding from Cook County to maintain and operate the Zoo. Occasionally, the laws and regulations

under which the Society was organized and is funded and operated require updating. The Society may

advise and assist appropriate legislative bodies in this activity. It may also advocate the adoption

or rejection of legislation. By virtue of a management agreement with the District, the Society is

Part IV Supplemental Information *(continued)*

periodically called upon to advise on matters of public policy. The Society also employs certain

staff and consultants to communicate with the State of Illinois, federal officials, county

commissioners and other government officials, to inform those parties of the activities of the

Society. Additionally, as required during the year, the Society's President and designated staff

attend national and international professional group meetings and otherwise communicate with those

groups on various matters, including the expression of opinions to appropriate congressional

representatives, congressional committees or other deliberative bodies that influence public policy

concerning species in danger of extinction, environmental management, the biological sciences (and

kindred subject), and federal regulatory agency activities affecting wildlife and its management.

Also, as needed from time to time, the Society may contact its members, staff and volunteers to

encourage them to express their views on pending legislation that may have a direct impact on the

Society and its conservation programs.

**SCHEDULE D
(Form 990)**

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Supplemental Financial Statements

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

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

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Name of the organization Chicago Zoological Society	Employer identification number 36-2167016
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Part I Organizations Maintaining Donor Advised Funds or Other Similar Funds or Accounts.

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

	(a) Donor advised funds	(b) Funds and other accounts
1 Total number at end of year		2
2 Aggregate value of contributions to (during year)		85,917
3 Aggregate value of grants from (during year)		1,788
4 Aggregate value at end of year		2,861,148

5 Did the organization inform all donors and donor advisors in writing that the assets held in donor advised funds are the organization's property, subject to the organization's exclusive legal control? ☐ Yes ☒ No

6 Did the organization inform all grantees, donors, and donor advisors in writing that grant funds can be used only for charitable purposes and not for the benefit of the donor or donor advisor, or for any other purpose conferring impermissible private benefit? ☐ Yes ☒ No

Part II Conservation Easements.

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

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

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

	Held at the End of the Tax Year
a Total number of conservation easements	2a
b Total acreage restricted by conservation easements	2b
c Number of conservation easements on a certified historic structure included in (a)	2c
d Number of conservation easements included in (c) acquired after 7/25/06, and not on a historic structure listed in the National Register	2d

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

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

5 Does the organization have a written policy regarding the periodic monitoring, inspection, handling of violations, and enforcement of the conservation easements it holds? ☐ Yes ☐ No

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

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

8 Does each conservation easement reported on line 2(d) above satisfy the requirements of section 170(h)(4)(B)(i) and section 170(h)(4)(B)(ii)? ☐ Yes ☐ No

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

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

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

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

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

(i) Revenue included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 1 ▶ \$

(ii) Assets included in Form 990, Part X ▶ \$

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

a Revenue included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 1 ▶ \$

b Assets included in Form 990, Part X ▶ \$

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

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

- a ☒ Public exhibition d ☒ Loan or exchange program
 b ☒ Scholarly research e ☐ Other _____
 c ☒ Preservation for future generations

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

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

Part IV Escrow and Custodial Arrangements.

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

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

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

	Amount
c Beginning balance	1c
d Additions during the year	1d
e Distributions during the year	1e
f Ending balance	1f 0

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

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

Part V Endowment Funds.

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

	(a) Current year	(b) Prior year	(c) Two years back	(d) Three years back	(e) Four years back
1a Beginning of year balance	24,562,000	22,362,000	19,131,000	20,074,000	17,699,000
b Contributions	3,000	172,000	321,000	1,573,000	342,000
c Net investment earnings, gains, and losses	831,000	2,998,000	3,802,000	-1,642,000	2,893,000
d Grants or scholarships	0	0	0	0	0
e Other expenditures for facilities and programs	0	927,000	849,000	834,000	840,000
f Administrative expenses	13,000	43,000	43,000	40,000	20,000
g End of year balance	25,383,000	24,562,000	22,362,000	19,131,000	20,074,000

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

- a Board designated or quasi-endowment 23%
 b Permanent endowment 41%
 c Term endowment 36%

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

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

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

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

Part VI Land, Buildings, and Equipment.

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

Description of property	(a) Cost or other basis (investment)	(b) Cost or other basis (other)	(c) Accumulated depreciation	(d) Book value
1a Land	0	0		0
b Buildings	0	0	0	0
c Leasehold improvements	0	277,771,251	160,024,415	117,746,836
d Equipment	0	9,648,995	8,527,443	1,121,552
e Other	0	60,068	0	60,068
Total. Add lines 1a through 1e. (Column (d) must equal Form 990, Part X, column (B), line 10c.)				118,928,456

Part VII Investments—Other Securities.

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

(a) Description of security or category (including name of security)	(b) Book value	(c) Method of valuation: Cost or end-of-year market value
(1) Financial derivatives	0	
(2) Closely held equity interests	0	
(3) Other		
(A)		
(B)		
(C)		
(D)		
(E)		
(F)		
(G)		
(H)		
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col. (B) line 12.) ▶	0	

Part VIII Investments—Program Related.

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

(a) Description of investment	(b) Book value	(c) Method of valuation: Cost or end-of-year market value
(1)		
(2)		
(3)		
(4)		
(5)		
(6)		
(7)		
(8)		
(9)		
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col. (B) line 13.) ▶	0	

Part IX Other Assets.

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

(a) Description	(b) Book value
(1)	
(2)	
(3)	
(4)	
(5)	
(6)	
(7)	
(8)	
(9)	
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col. (B) line 15.) ▶	0

Part X Other Liabilities.

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

1.	(a) Description of liability	(b) Book value
(1)	Federal income taxes	0
(2)	Accrued Post Retirement Benefit Obligation	1,541,973
(3)	Accrued Sick Pay Benefit Obligation	1,203,805
(4)	Charitable Gift Annuity Obligation	174,717
(5)	Market Value of Swap Agreements	585,979
(6)	Unamortized Bond Issue Costs	-158,648
(7)	Other	159
(8)		
(9)		
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col. (B) line 25.) ▶		3,347,985

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

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

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

1	Total revenue, gains, and other support per audited financial statements		1	73,277,000
2	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12:			
a	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	2a	459,355	
b	Donated services and use of facilities	2b	123,643	
c	Recoveries of prior year grants	2c		
d	Other (Describe in Part XIII.)	2d	64,859,000	
e	Add lines 2a through 2d		2e	65,441,998
3	Subtract line 2e from line 1		3	7,835,002
4	Amounts included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, but not on line 1:			
a	Investment expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b	4a	32,626	
b	Other (Describe in Part XIII.)	4b	-458	
c	Add lines 4a and 4b		4c	32,168
5	Total revenue. Add lines 3 and 4c. (This must equal Form 990, Part I, line 12.)		5	7,867,170

Part XII Reconciliation of Expenses per Audited Financial Statements With Expenses per Return.

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

1	Total expenses and losses per audited financial statements		1	70,572,000
2	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part IX, line 25:			
a	Donated services and use of facilities	2a	123,643	
b	Prior year adjustments	2b		
c	Other losses	2c		
d	Other (Describe in Part XIII.)	2d	57,688,148	
e	Add lines 2a through 2d		2e	57,811,791
3	Subtract line 2e from line 1		3	12,760,209
4	Amounts included on Form 990, Part IX, line 25, but not on line 1:			
a	Investment expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b	4a	32,626	
b	Other (Describe in Part XIII.)	4b		
c	Add lines 4a and 4b		4c	32,626
5	Total expenses. Add lines 3 and 4c. (This must equal Form 990, Part I, line 18.)		5	12,792,835

Part XIII Supplemental Information.

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

Part I Line 5 and 6: The Society does not maintain any donor advised funds. "Other Funds"

consist of the Chicago Board of Trade Endangered Species Fund and the CZS Women's Board

Fund. Contributions to these funds come from donors as well as proceeds from fundraising

events and investment income. Grants are decided by committees as described in Schedule I.

At times, donors who have given money to the fund may also sit on the granting committee

but no one donor may decide on the grant awards. All grants awarded must follow the

guidelines and processes established by CZS. CZS Board of Trustees has final approval of

all Chicago Board of Trade Endangered Species Fund Committee recommended grant awards. CZS

Management has final approval of all CZS Women's Board recommended grant awards.

Part III Line 1A: Animal Collections, which were acquired through breeding loans,

purchases and contributions, are not recognized as assets on the Statement of Financial

Position. Costs to acquire collection items are recorded as decreases in unrestricted net

assets in the year in which the animals are acquired. Proceeds from deaccessions are

Part XIII Supplemental Information (continued)

reflected as increases in the appropriate net asset class. The Society's animal collection consists of specimens with numerous attributes including taxonomic group, age, sex, relationship and value to other animals, endangered status and breeding potential. The Society retains a record of every animal in a permanent file. An inventory of the collection is prepared annually. Professionally trained keeper staff and population managers provide daily care for the collection and determine population needs.

Part III Line 4: The more than 2500 ambassadors of the animal kingdom which make up the CZS collection provide our visitors a rare opportunity to see species from around the globe. The collection, in connection with our education programs, provides CZS the opportunity to teach guests about animals and nature, conservation and other related topics.

Part V Line 4: The Society's endowment consists of different funds established to support a variety of CZS programs including conservation and research, education and outreach, care of the animal collection and grounds, and general operations. Additionally, the Society is the designated beneficiary of the interest income on a \$1 million endowment established and maintained by the Chicago Community Trust. The CCT maintains variance power over this endowment and, accordingly, the Society has not included it in its financial statements.

Part VI Line 1A-E: The Society operates a zoological park on land owned by the Forest Preserve District of Cook County, IL which is provided to the Society at no charge. The land site of the Zoo, accordingly, is not recorded on the Society's financial statements.

All park improvements acquired by the Society are legally owned by the District. All park improvements acquired by the Society, including those acquired with District funds, are recorded as park improvements on the Society's financial statements. The amount in Other represents construction in progress on capital assets. Once a capital asset is complete and in use, the total amount for that project is closed out of construction in progress and transferred to park improvements.

Part X Line 2: The Society is a not-for-profit corporation and is exempt from tax under

Part XIII Supplemental Information (continued)

the provisions of Internal Revenue Code Section 501(c)(3), except for taxes on unrelated business income. The Society has no liability for uncertain tax positions, therefore the Society does not include such a footnote as it is no longer required by generally accepted accounting principles.

Part XI Line 2d: Due to change in accounting year, audited financial statements are for a 15 month period. Portion of the audited financial statements related to calendar year 12/31/20 (\$64,859,000)

Part XI Line 4b: Other Adjustments: - Rounding and Misc adjustments \$-458

Part XII Line 2d: Other Adjustments: - portion of the 15 month audited financial statement expense total related to calendar year 12/31/20 (\$57,871,000); change in market value of swap agreements (\$-183,947), Rounding and Misc adjustments (\$1,095)

**SCHEDULE K
(Form 990)**

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Supplemental Information on Tax-Exempt Bonds

▶ Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 24a. Provide descriptions, explanations, and any additional information in Part VI.
▶ Attach to Form 990.

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

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Part I Bond Issues

(a) Issuer name	(b) Issuer EIN	(c) CUSIP #	(d) Date issued	(e) Issue price	(f) Description of purpose	(g) Defeased		(h) On behalf of issuer		(i) Pooled financing	
						Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
A Village of Brookfield, Cook County, IL	36-6005807	112732AAC	6/18/2008	39,850,000	Construction and renovation of certain buildings and exhibits		X		X		X
B											
C											
D											

Part II Proceeds

	A		B		C		D	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
1 Amount of bonds retired		10,930,000						
2 Amount of bonds legally defeased								
3 Total proceeds of issue		39,850,000						
4 Gross proceeds in reserve funds								
5 Capitalized interest from proceeds		595,445						
6 Proceeds in refunding escrows								
7 Issuance costs from proceeds		296,598						
8 Credit enhancement from proceeds								
9 Working capital expenditures from proceeds								
10 Capital expenditures from proceeds		30,539,559						
11 Other spent proceeds								
12 Other unspent proceeds								
13 Year of substantial completion	2010							
14 Were the bonds issued as part of a refunding issue of tax-exempt bonds (or, if issued prior to 2018, a current refunding issue)?		X						
15 Were the bonds issued as part of a refunding issue of taxable bonds (or, if issued prior to 2018, an advance refunding issue)?		X						
16 Has the final allocation of proceeds been made?	X							
17 Does the organization maintain adequate books and records to support the final allocation of proceeds?	X							

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Schedule K (Form 990) 2020

Part III Private Business Use

	A		B		C		D	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
1 Was the organization a partner in a partnership, or a member of an LLC, which owned property financed by tax-exempt bonds?		X						
2 Are there any lease arrangements that may result in private business use of bond-financed property?		X						
3a Are there any management or service contracts that may result in private business use of bond-financed property?		X						
b If "Yes" to line 3a, does the organization routinely engage bond counsel or other outside counsel to review any management or service contracts relating to the financed property?								
c Are there any research agreements that may result in private business use of bond-financed property?		X						
d If "Yes" to line 3c, does the organization routinely engage bond counsel or other outside counsel to review any research agreements relating to the financed property?								
4 Enter the percentage of financed property used in a private business use by entities other than a section 501(c)(3) organization or a state or local government.								
5 Enter the percentage of financed property used in a private business use as a result of unrelated trade or business activity carried on by your organization, another section 501(c)(3) organization, or a state or local government.		0.00%						
6 Total of lines 4 and 5.		0.00%		0.00%		0.00%		0.00%
7 Does the bond issue meet the private security or payment test?		X						
8a Has there been a sale or disposition of any of the bond-financed property to a nongovernmental person other than a 501(c)(3) organization since the bonds were issued?		X						
b If "Yes" to line 8a, enter the percentage of bond-financed property sold or disposed of.								
c If "Yes" to line 8a, was any remedial action taken pursuant to Regulations sections 1.141-12 and 1.145-2?								
9 Has the organization established written procedures to ensure that all nonqualified bonds of the issue are remediated in accordance with the requirements under Regulations sections 1.141-12 and 1.145-2?	X							

Part IV Arbitrage

	A		B		C		D	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
1 Has the issuer filed Form 8038-T, Arbitrage Rebate, Yield Reduction and Penalty in Lieu of Arbitrage Rebate?		X						
2 If "No" to line 1, did the following apply?								
a Rebate not due yet?								
b Exception to rebate?								
c No rebate due?	X							
If "Yes" to line 2c, provide in Part VI the date the rebate computation was performed.								
3 Is the bond issue a variable rate issue?	X							

Part VI Supplemental Information. Provide additional information for responses to questions on Schedule K. See instructions. (continued)

Area with horizontal lines for supplemental information.

SCHEDULE O
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

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Supplemental Information to Form 990 or 990-EZ

Complete to provide information for responses to specific questions on
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Form 990, Part III, Line 3: On March 11, 2020, the World Health Organization declared the outbreak of a respiratory disease caused by a new coronavirus a pandemic. First identified in late 2019 and known now as COVID-19, the outbreak has impacted millions of individuals worldwide. In response, many countries implemented measures to combat the outbreak that have impacted global business operations. As a result of the pandemic, the Society has experienced significant reductions in earned revenue through retail services, visitor services and membership due to facility closures during 2020 and 2021.

Form 990, Part VI, Section A, Line 3: Effective February 2020, all restaurant, retail and catering operations were outsourced to a third party service provider.

Form 990, Part V, Section A, Line 1A: The fiscal, general oversight, and policies of the Society are vested in a Board of not more than 58 Trustees. As of March 31, 2021, there were 45 voting Trustees. The elected Officers of the Board, the chairs of the standing committees and such other Trustees as may be appointed by the Chairman constitute the Executive Committee. The Executive Committee has the power to transact all regular business of the Society during the period between the regular Board meetings.

Form 990, Part VI, Section A, Line 2: Cindy Zeigler, Key Employee and Frank Zeigler, Key Employee - Family Relationship.

Form 990, Part VI, Section A, Line 6: The membership of the Society is composed of up to 250 Governing Members. Up to 55 of the 58 Board of Trustees are elected by the Governing Members at their annual meeting. Governing Members are also eligible for appointment by the Society's Chairman to serve on Board committees other than the Executive Committee. Governing Members are chosen by the Nominating Committee of the Board of Trustees and voted on by the full Board of Trustees.

Form 990, Part VI, Section A, Line 7A: The membership of the Society is composed of up to 250 Governing Members. Up to 55 of the 58 Board of Trustees are elected by the Governing Members at their annual meeting. Governing Members are also eligible for appointment by the Society's

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Chairman to serve on the Board committees other than the Executive Committee. Governing

Members are chosen by the Nominating and Governance Committee of the Board of Trustees and

voted on by the full Board of Trustees.

Form 990, Part VI, Section B, Line 11B:: The IRS Form 990 is prepared by Society's management

and reviewed and signed by the Society's tax advisor. The Form 990 is also reviewed by the

Audit Committee of the Board of Trustees. A copy of the entire final version of the form is

also made available to the Board of Trustees prior to filing with the IRS.

Form 990, Part VI, Section B, Line 12C:: Annually, a conflict of interest form is sent out to

all members of the Board of Trustees, Key Employees and any employee with purchasing

authority. The form covers potential conflicts through financial interests, use of Society

services, privileged information and representation of Society interests. It also covers

specific disclosures required by the IRS Form 990 and the Illinois AG990IL. Board of Trustees

responses are reviewed by the Secretary of the Board and the Chief Financial Officer who

together determine if a conflict exists. Employee responses are reviewed by the VP Human

Resources and the Chief Financial Officer. Any conflicts are addressed to ensure that all

internal procedures are followed for any transactions with that individual and that all items

requiring disclosure are properly noted. Any Board members with a conflict must abstain from

voting on decisions involving the transaction in question. Any transactions entered into with

interested parties follow the Society's established procurement policies and are provided at

rates competitive with market rates.

Form 990, Part VI, Section B, Line 15A and 15B:: The Society's policy for approval of

compensation arrangements with officers and certain senior employees requires review and

approval of the compensation arrangement by the Executive Committee of the Board, excluding

anyone who is related to or under the control of the person involved in the arrangement. The

Committee relies on appropriate comparability data which indicates the types and levels of

similar compensation and benefit packages for similar positions provided by similar

organizations. The Committee documents the basis for its determination of the reasonableness

of compensation. This process is done annually for the President, Sr. VP of Operations, Chief

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Financial Officer and the Chief Advancement Officer any year where there is an increase in compensation.

Form 990, Part VI, Section C, Line 19: Governing documents are available through applicable governmental agencies; the conflict of interest policy and financial statements are available upon written request to the Society.

Form 990, Part XI, Line 9: Other Changes in net assets or fund balances: Changes in Post Retirement Benefits not yet recognized in operations \$71,635; change in market value of swap agreements \$183,947; rounding and other \$-1,272.

Form 990, Part VII, Section A, Line Line 1A: This Form 990 is for the short-year period of 1/1/21-3/31/21 due to a change in accounting period. Per the IRS instructions, compensation amounts are not being reported and no key employees or highest compensated employees are being listed since there is no calendar year ending with or within this short period tax year.