

990

Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

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Form Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service

For the 2024 calendar year, or tax year beginning 07-01-2024, and ending 06-30-2025

Form header section containing organization name (CHESAPEAKE BAY FOUNDATION INC), address (6 HERNDON AVENUE, ANNAPOLIS, MD), EIN (52-6065757), and principal officer (Hilary H Falk).

Part I Summary

Summary table with columns for Revenue, Expenses, and Net Assets or Fund Balances. Rows include mission statement, membership counts, and financial data for 2024 and 2023.

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.

Signature block form with fields for officer signature (Hilary H Falk), date (2026-04-22), and preparer information (GELMAN ROSENBERG & FREEDMAN).

Part III Statement of Program Service Accomplishments

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

1 Briefly describe the organization's mission:

The Chesapeake Bay Foundation's (CBF) mission, simply stated, is to Save the Bay. See Schedule O for Continuation (page 48)

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 \$ 17,438,557 including grants of \$ 636,869) (Revenue \$ 568,215)

Advocacy & RestorationThe Advocacy & Restoration Department's primary objective is to drive significant improvements in the health of Chesapeake Bay as measured by CBF's Bay Health Index. Consistent with the CBF strategic plan, this involves developing and recommending priorities for the organization's policy work, engaging our members and implementing restoration elements of the plan. The Program utilizes a combination of strategies to help achieve a reduction in Bay pollution, restoration of critical habitat, and better-managed fisheries. See Schedule O for Continuation (page 49)

4b (Code:) (Expenses \$ 8,720,433 including grants of \$ 31,313) (Revenue \$ 578,596)

Education CBF's Education Department is responsible for leading students, teachers, and adults in hands-on, on-the-water, environmental education experiences about the Bay. Through education programs, our professional educators use innovative teaching methods to engage students in real-world issues and scientific inquiry, exciting and encouraging them to take action to protect our natural resources. Student Leadership courses during the summer further train student leaders from high schools across the region. See Schedule O for Continuation (page 49)

4c (Code:) (Expenses \$ 3,697,553 including grants of \$) (Revenue \$ 47,622)

Marketing & CommunicationsThe Marketing & Communications Department's charge is to market CBF and its policy agenda, educate and engage the public, and mobilize support for organizational priorities and Bay restoration efforts. Marketing & Communications also manages internal communications and public opinion research. See Schedule O for Continuation (page 50)

4d Other program services (Describe in Schedule O.) (Expenses \$ including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)

4e Total program service expenses 29,856,543

Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules

Table with 3 columns: Question number, Question text, Yes, No. Rows include questions 1 through 21 regarding organizational requirements and reporting.

Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules (continued)

Table with 3 columns: Question ID, Question Text, and Yes/No columns. Rows include questions 22 through 38 regarding organizational reporting, compensation, bond issues, and controlled entities.

Part V Statements Regarding Other IRS Filings and Tax Compliance

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

Table with 3 columns: Question ID, Question Text, and Yes/No columns. Rows include questions 1a, 1b, and 1c regarding Form 1096, Forms W-2G, and gaming winnings.

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

Table with 10 columns: Question ID, Question Text, Sub-question ID, Answer 1, Answer 2, Answer 3. Rows include questions 2a through 17 regarding employee reporting, tax returns, business income, foreign accounts, prohibited transactions, contributions, and organizational structure.

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



Section A. Governing Body and Management

Table with 3 columns: Question, Yes, No. Rows include: 1a Enter the number of voting members... 1b Enter the number of voting members... 2 Did any officer, director, trustee... 3 Did the organization delegate control... 4 Did the organization make any significant changes... 5 Did the organization become aware... 6 Did the organization have members... 7a Did the organization have members... 7b Are any governance decisions... 8 Did the organization contemporaneously document... 8a The governing body? 8b Each committee... 9 Is there any officer, director, trustee...

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

Table with 3 columns: Question, Yes, No. Rows include: 10a Did the organization have local chapters... 10b If "Yes," did the organization have written policies... 11a Has the organization provided a complete copy... 11b Describe on Schedule O the process... 12a Did the organization have a written conflict of interest policy... 12b Were officers, directors, or trustees... 12c Did the organization regularly and consistently monitor... 13 Did the organization have a written whistleblower policy... 14 Did the organization have a written document retention... 15 Did the process for determining compensation... 15a The organization's CEO... 15b Other officers or key employees... 16a Did the organization invest in, contribute assets to... 16b If "Yes," did the organization follow a written policy...

Section C. Disclosure

Table with 2 columns: Question, Answer. Row 17: List the states with which a copy of this Form 990 is required to be filed. Row 18: Section 6104 requires an organization to make its Form 1023... Row 19: Describe in Schedule O whether... Row 20: State the name, address, and telephone number...

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

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

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

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

- List all of the organization's **current** officers, directors, trustees (whether individuals or organizations), regardless of amount of compensation. Enter -0- in columns (D), (E), and (F) if no compensation was paid.

- List all of the organization's **current** key employees, if any. See the instructions for definition of "key employee."

- List the organization's five **current** highest compensated employees (other than an officer, director, trustee or key employee) who received reportable compensation (box 5 of Form W-2, box 6 of Form 1099-MISC, and/or box 1 of Form 1099-NEC) of more than \$100,000 from the organization and any related organizations.

- List all of the organization's **former** officers, key employees, or highest compensated employees who received more than \$100,000 of reportable compensation from the organization and any related organizations.

- List all of the organization's **former directors or trustees** that received, in the capacity as a former director or trustee of the organization, more than \$10,000 of reportable compensation from the organization and any related organizations.

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

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

(A) Name and title	(B) Average hours per week (list any hours for related organizations below dotted line)	(C) Position (do not check more than one box, unless person is both an officer and a director/trustee)					(D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W-2/1099-MISC/1099-NEC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W-2/1099-MISC/1099-NEC)	(F) Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations
		Individual trustee or director	Institutional Trustee;	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee			
(1) Hilary H Falk President	40.00	X		X			367,595	0	35,717
(2) Otis S Jones Chair	4.00	X		X			0	0	0
(3) Ann Pelham Vice Chair	4.00	X		X			0	0	0
(4) Bruce R Bradley Trustee	4.00	X					0	0	0
(5) Joan P Brock Trustee	1.00	X					0	0	0
(6) George B Clarke IV Trustee	1.00	X					0	0	0
(7) Brian Cobb Trustee	1.00	X					0	0	0
(8) Margaret M Freeman Trustee	1.00	X					0	0	0
(9) Alexandra Grayson Trustee	1.00	X					0	0	0
(10) Jennifer E Green Trustee	1.00	X					0	0	0
(11) Harry S Gruner Trustee	4.00	X					0	0	0
(12) Ann D Horner Trustee	1.00	X					0	0	0
(13) Robert A Kinsley II Trustee	1.00	X					0	0	0
(14) Jonathan D Manekin Trustee	1.00	X					0	0	0
(15) Anne Mehninger Trustee	1.00	X					0	0	0
(16) Mamie A Parker PHD Trustee	1.00	X					0	0	0
(17) Crystal Patterson Trustee	4.00	X					0	0	0

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

(A) Name and title	(B) Average hours per week (list any hours for related organizations below dotted line)	(C) Position (do not check more than one box, unless person is both an officer and a director/trustee)					(D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W-2/1099-MISC/1099-NEC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W-2/1099-MISC/1099-NEC)	(F) Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations
		Individual trustee or director	Institutional Trustee;	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee			
(18) Nick Pomponi Trustee	1.00	X					0	0	0
(19) Samara Pyfrom Trustee	1.00	X					0	0	0
(20) Christa Riepe Trustee	1.00	X					0	0	0
(21) Nathaniel J Rose Trustee	1.00	X					0	0	0
(22) Kathryn Gilchrist Simpson Trustee	1.00	X					0	0	0
(23) J Sedwick Sollers III Trustee	4.00	X					0	0	0
(24) J Alex Ward Trustee	1.00	X					0	0	0
(25) Denice Heller Wardrop Trustee	1.00	X					0	0	0
(26) Preston M White Trustee	1.00	X					0	0	0
(27) Robert N Whitescarver Trustee	1.00	X					0	0	0
(28) Stephen M Wolf Trustee	1.00	X					0	0	0
(29) Marnie Abramson Trustee	1.00	X					0	0	0
(30) Dara C Bachman Trustee	1.00	X					0	0	0
(31) Hugh Evans Trustee	4.00	X					0	0	0
(32) Tola Sanni Treasurer, CFO	40.00			X			220,467	0	24,193
(33) William A Agee III Secretary; VP - Administration	40.00			X			200,333	0	7,559
(34) Katharene P Snavelly Chief Development Officer	40.00				X		230,289	0	30,329
(35) Alison H Prost VP - Enviro. Protec. & Restor.	40.00				X		219,558	0	29,910
(36) Thomas W Ackerman VP - Education	40.00				X		192,924	0	28,466
(37) Everett S Marshall VP - People	40.00					X	198,689	0	28,782
(38) Paul W Small VP - Litigation	40.00					X	191,317	0	28,455
(39) Robert J Beach VP - Communications	40.00					X	192,512	0	27,707
(40) Carmera S Thomas-Wilhite VP - Communities and Partnerships	40.00					X	160,049	0	22,461
1b Sub-Total									
c Total from continuation sheets to Part VII, Section A									
d Total (add lines 1b and 1c)						2,173,733	0	263,579	

2 Total number of individuals (including but not limited to those listed above) who received more than \$100,000 of reportable compensation from the organization **27**

	Yes	No
3 Did the organization list any former officer, director or trustee, key employee, or highest compensated employee on line 1a? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual</i>		No
4 For any individual listed on line 1a, is the sum of reportable compensation and other compensation from the organization and related organizations greater than \$150,000? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual</i>	Yes	
5 Did any person listed on line 1a receive or accrue compensation from any unrelated organization or individual for services rendered to the organization? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such person</i>		No

Section B. Independent Contractors

1 Complete this table for your five highest compensated independent contractors that received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization. Report compensation for the calendar year ending with or within the organization's tax year.

(A) Name and business address	(B) Description of services	(C) Compensation
Production Solutions Inc PO Box 26168 Oklahoma City, OK 731260618	Mass production printing	1,520,682
Midship Marine 1029 Destrehan Ave Harvey, LA 70058	Green boat builder	1,078,400
Jenack Construction 5 druid lane malvern, PA 19355	Construction projects	236,265
SC&H Group Inc PO Box 64271 Malvern, PA 19355	IT Consultants	228,371
Lautman Maska Neill & Co 1730 Rhode Island Ave NW Ste 301 Washington, DC 20036	Fundraising content & consulting	202,250

2 Total number of independent contractors (including but not limited to those listed above) who received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization **16**

Part VIII Statement of Revenue

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

	(A) Total revenue	(B) Related or exempt function revenue	(C) Unrelated business revenue	(D) Revenue excluded from tax under sections 512 - 514
Contributions, Gifts, Grants, and Other Amt Similar Amounts				
1a Federated campaigns			285,063	
b Membership dues				
c Fundraising events			474,997	
d Related organizations				
e Government grants (contributions)			2,917,451	
f All other contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts not included above			23,739,920	
g Noncash contributions included in lines 1a - 1f:\$			1,921,528	
h Total. Add lines 1a-1f				27,417,431

Program Service Revenue		Business Code				
2a Tuition and Education		900099	578,596	578,596		
b Contract Income		900099	302,453	302,453		
c Farm Income		900099	265,762	265,762		
d Store Income		900099	47,622	47,622		
e						
f All other program service revenue.						
g Total. Add lines 2a-2f.			1,194,433			

Other Revenue	3 Investment income (including dividends, interest, and other similar amounts)		2,445,154		-2,224	2,447,378	
	4 Income from investment of tax-exempt bond proceeds						
	5 Royalties		12,743			12,743	
	6a Gross rents	(i) Real					
		(ii) Personal					
		6a	453,247				
		b Less: rental expenses	0				
	c Rental income or (loss)	453,247					
	d Net rental income or (loss)		453,247			453,247	
	7a Gross amount from sales of assets other than inventory	(i) Securities					
		(ii) Other			300		
		7a	24,414,067		300		
		b Less: cost or other basis and sales expenses	20,550,540		0		
	c Gain or (loss)	3,863,527		300			
	d Net gain or (loss)		3,863,827			3,863,827	
8a Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ 474,997 of contributions reported on line 1c). See Part IV, line 18							
	8a		120,743				
	b Less: direct expenses		260,113				
c Net income or (loss) from fundraising events			-139,370		-139,370		
9a Gross income from gaming activities. See Part IV, line 19							
	9a						
	b Less: direct expenses						
c Net income or (loss) from gaming activities							
10a Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances							
	10a						
	b Less: cost of goods sold						
c Net income or (loss) from sales of inventory							
OtherRevenueMiscAmt	11a Miscellaneous	Business Code					
		900099	81,268			81,268	
		b Credit card rebate	900099	79,472			79,472
		c Settlement fee income	900099	3,093			3,093
		d All other revenue					
e Total. Add lines 11a-11d			163,833				
12 Total revenue. See instructions			35,411,298	1,194,433	-2,224	6,801,658	

Part IX Statement of Functional Expenses

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

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

Do not include amounts reported on lines 6b, 7b, 8b, 9b, and 10b of Part VIII.	(A) Total expenses	(B) Program service expenses	(C) Management and general expenses	(D) Fundraising expenses
1 Grants and other assistance to domestic organizations and domestic governments. See Part IV, line 21	668,182	668,182		
2 Grants and other assistance to domestic individuals. See Part IV, line 22				
3 Grants and other assistance to foreign organizations, foreign governments, and foreign individuals. See Part IV, lines 15 and 16.				
4 Benefits paid to or for members				
5 Compensation of current officers, directors, trustees, and key employees	1,609,245	819,065	484,701	305,479
6 Compensation not included above, to disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)) and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B)				
7 Other salaries and wages	12,305,266	10,023,717	988,778	1,292,771
8 Pension plan accruals and contributions (include section 401(k) and 403(b) employer contributions)	594,986	482,052	43,069	69,865
9 Other employee benefits	6,102,913	4,847,805	509,314	745,794
10 Payroll taxes	1,352,134	1,066,742	117,742	167,650
11 Fees for services (non-employees):				
a Management				
b Legal	4,500	3,259	456	785
c Accounting	146,380		146,380	
d Lobbying	152,156	152,156		
e Professional fundraising services. See Part IV, line 17	439,882			439,882
f Investment management fees	264,427		264,427	
g Other (If line 11g amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A) amount, list line 11g expenses on Schedule O)	2,503,168	2,252,640	99,768	150,760
12 Advertising and promotion	277,219	200,781	28,097	48,341
13 Office expenses	4,688,151	3,912,561	178,049	597,541
14 Information technology	101,112	97,956	1,307	1,849
15 Royalties				
16 Occupancy	1,883,596	1,695,097	101,248	87,251
17 Travel	428,639	367,115	40,287	21,237
18 Payments of travel or entertainment expenses for any federal, state, or local public officials				
19 Conferences, conventions, and meetings	447,409	330,540	72,085	44,784
20 Interest	25,124	3,479	21,519	126
21 Payments to affiliates				
22 Depreciation, depletion, and amortization	615,555	558,899	30,862	25,794
23 Insurance	692,955	595,086	62,773	35,096
24 Other expenses. Itemize expenses not covered above (List miscellaneous expenses in line 24e. If line 24e amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A) amount, list line 24e expenses on Schedule O.)				
a Repairs & maintenance	1,383,600	1,100,512	159,957	123,131
b Restoration Fees	473,059	473,059		
c Miscellaneous Expense	83,892	71,780	3,648	8,464
d Publications & Subscrip	71,668	63,873	1,764	6,031
e All other expenses	93,015	70,187	4,279	18,549
25 Total functional expenses. Add lines 1 through 24e	37,408,233	29,856,543	3,360,510	4,191,180
26 Joint costs. Complete this line only if the organization reported in column (B) joint costs from a combined educational campaign and fundraising solicitation. Check here <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> if following SOP 98-2 (ASC 958-720).	3,121,126	2,030,953	0	1,090,173

Part X Balance Sheet

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

		(A)		(B)
		Beginning of year		End of year
Assets	1 Cash-non-interest-bearing	14,375	1	19,515
	2 Savings and temporary cash investments	19,376,325	2	14,241,797
	3 Pledges and grants receivable, net	10,625,606	3	8,055,903
	4 Accounts receivable, net	1,651,333	4	1,788,171
	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		5	
	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)		6	
	7 Notes and loans receivable, net		7	
	8 Inventories for sale or use		8	
	9 Prepaid expenses and deferred charges	840,502	9	614,851
	10a Land, buildings, and equipment: cost or other basis. Complete Part VI of Schedule D	10a 55,684,359		
	b Less: accumulated depreciation	10b 25,968,236	27,085,411	10c 29,716,123
	11 Investments—publicly traded securities	46,150,613	11	49,134,074
	12 Investments—other securities. See Part IV, line 11	23,078,028	12	24,059,231
	13 Investments—program-related. See Part IV, line 11		13	
	14 Intangible assets		14	
	15 Other assets. See Part IV, line 11	492,824	15	310,492
16 Total assets: Add lines 1 through 15 (must equal line 33)	129,315,017	16	127,940,157	
Liabilities	17 Accounts payable and accrued expenses	1,820,581	17	1,632,176
	18 Grants payable		18	
	19 Deferred revenue	893,151	19	1,143,602
	20 Tax-exempt bond liabilities		20	
	21 Escrow or custodial account liability. Complete Part IV of Schedule D		21	
	22 Loans and other payables to 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		22	
	23 Secured mortgages and notes payable to unrelated third parties		23	
	24 Unsecured notes and loans payable to unrelated third parties	432,010	24	2,000,000
	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	1,027,000	25	969,975
	26 Total liabilities. Add lines 17 through 25	4,172,742	26	5,745,753
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	45,377,039	27	40,830,020
	28 Net assets with donor restrictions	79,765,236	28	81,364,384
	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		29	
	30 Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, building or equipment fund		30	
	31 Retained earnings, endowment, accumulated income, or other funds		31	
	32 Total net assets or fund balances	125,142,275	32	122,194,404
	33 Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances	129,315,017	33	127,940,157

Part XI Reconciliation of Net Assets

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

1	Total revenue (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	1	35,411,298
2	Total expenses (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	2	37,408,233
3	Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 2 from line 1	3	-1,996,935
4	Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (must equal Part X, line 32, column (A))	4	125,142,275
5	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	5	1,049,064
6	Donated services and use of facilities	6	
7	Investment expenses	7	
8	Prior period adjustments	8	-2,000,000
9	Other changes in net assets or fund balances (explain in Schedule O)	9	0
10	Net assets or fund balances at end of year. Combine lines 3 through 9 (must equal Part X, line 32, column (A))	10	122,194,404

Part XII Financial Statements and Reporting

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

		Yes	No
1	Accounting method used to prepare the Form 990: <input type="checkbox"/> Cash <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Accrual <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ If the organization changed its method of accounting from a prior year or checked "Other," explain on 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		No
b	Were the organization's financial statements audited by an independent accountant? If 'Yes,' check a box below to indicate whether the financial statements for the year were audited on a separate basis, consolidated basis, or both: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Separate basis <input type="checkbox"/> Consolidated basis <input type="checkbox"/> Both consolidated and separate basis	Yes	
c	If "Yes," to line 2a or 2b, does the organization have a committee that assumes responsibility for oversight of the audit, review, or compilation of its financial statements and selection of an independent accountant? If the organization changed either its oversight process or selection process during the tax year, explain in Schedule O.	Yes	
3a	As a result of a federal award, was the organization required to undergo an audit or audits as set forth in the Uniform Guidance, 2 C.F.R. Part 200, Subpart F?	Yes	
b	If "Yes," did the organization undergo the required audit or audits? If the organization did not undergo the required audit or audits, explain why in Schedule O and describe any steps taken to undergo such audits.	Yes	

Additional Data

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SCHEDULE A
(Form 990)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Public Charity Status and Public Support
Complete if the organization is a section 501(c)(3) organization or a section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust.
▶ Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ.
▶ Go to www.irs.gov/Form990 for instructions and the latest information.

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2024

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Name of the organization
CHESAPEAKE BAY FOUNDATION INC

Employer identification number
52-6065757

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).)
- 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 **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 on lines 12a through 12d that describes the type of supporting organization and complete lines 12e, 12f, and 12g.
 - a **Type I.** A supporting organization operated, supervised, or controlled by its supported organization(s), typically by giving the supported organization(s) the power to regularly appoint or elect a majority of the directors or trustees of the supporting organization. **You must complete Part IV, Sections A and B.**
 - b **Type II.** A supporting organization supervised or controlled in connection with its supported organization(s), by having control or management of the supporting organization vested in the same persons that control or manage the supported organization(s). **You must complete Part IV, Sections A and C.**
 - c **Type III functionally integrated.** A supporting organization operated in connection with, and functionally integrated with, its supported organization(s) (see instructions). **You must complete Part IV, Sections A, D, and E.**
 - d **Type III non-functionally integrated.** A supporting organization operated in connection with its supported organization(s) that is not functionally integrated. The organization generally must satisfy a distribution requirement and an attentiveness requirement (see instructions). **You must complete Part IV, Sections A and D, and Part V.**
 - e Check this box if the organization received a written determination from the IRS that it is a Type I, Type II, Type III functionally integrated, or Type III non-functionally integrated supporting organization.
 - f Enter the number of supported organizations _____
 - g Provide the following information about the supported organization(s).

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

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 failed to qualify under the tests listed below, please complete Part III.)

Section A. Public Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ▶	(a) 2020	(b) 2021	(c) 2022	(d) 2023	(e) 2024	(f) Total
1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received. (Do not include any "unusual grant.") . . .	23,177,187	31,074,308	26,605,958	29,421,478	27,417,431	137,696,362
2 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf						
3 The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge..						
4 Total. Add lines 1 through 3	23,177,187	31,074,308	26,605,958	29,421,478	27,417,431	137,696,362
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) . . .						3,714,986
6 Public support. Subtract line 5 from line 4.						133,981,376

Section B. Total Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ▶	(a) 2020	(b) 2021	(c) 2022	(d) 2023	(e) 2024	(f) Total
7 Amounts from line 4.	23,177,187	31,074,308	26,605,958	29,421,478	27,417,431	137,696,362
8 Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources	990,704	2,191,345	1,686,369	3,012,057	2,913,368	10,793,843
9 Net income from unrelated business activities, whether or not the business is regularly carried on.		317,105				317,105
10 Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part VI.).	49,694	48,761	379,638	273,539	163,833	915,465
11 Total support. Add lines 7 through 10						149,722,775

12 Gross receipts from related activities, etc. (see instructions) **12** 6,202,699

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**

Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage

14 Public support percentage for 2024 (line 6, column (f) divided by line 11, column (f))	14	89.490 %
15 Public support percentage for 2023 Schedule A, Part II, line 14	15	89.550 %

- 16a 33 1/3% support test—2024.** 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
- b 33 1/3% support test—2023.** 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
- 17a 10%-facts-and-circumstances test—2024.** 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
- b 10%-facts-and-circumstances test—2023.** 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
- 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

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

Table with 7 columns: (a) 2020, (b) 2021, (c) 2022, (d) 2023, (e) 2024, (f) Total. Rows include: Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in), 1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received, 2 Gross receipts from admissions, merchandise sold or services performed, 3 Gross receipts from activities that are not an unrelated trade or business under section 513, 4 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf, 5 The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge, 6 Total. Add lines 1 through 5, 7a Amounts included on lines 1, 2, and 3 received from disqualified persons, b Amounts included on lines 2 and 3 received from other than disqualified persons that exceed the greater of \$5,000 or 1% of the amount on line 13 for the year, c Add lines 7a and 7b., 8 Public support. (Subtract line 7c from line 6.)

Section B. Total Support

Table with 7 columns: (a) 2020, (b) 2021, (c) 2022, (d) 2023, (e) 2024, (f) Total. Rows include: Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in), 9 Amounts from line 6., 10a Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources, b Unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 taxes) from businesses acquired after June 30, 1975, c Add lines 10a and 10b., 11 Net income from unrelated business activities not included on line 10b, whether or not the business is regularly carried on, 12 Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part VI.), 13 Total support. (Add lines 9, 10c, 11, and 12.), 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.

Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage

Table with 2 columns: Description, Percentage. Row 15: Public support percentage for 2024 (line 8, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f)). Row 16: Public support percentage from 2023 Schedule A, Part III, line 15.

Section D. Computation of Investment Income Percentage

Table with 2 columns: Description, Percentage. Row 17: Investment income percentage for 2024 (line 10c, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f)). Row 18: Investment income percentage from 2023 Schedule A, Part III, line 17. Row 19a: 33 1/3% support tests—2024. Row b: 33 1/3% support tests—2023. Row 20: Private foundation.

Part IV Supporting Organizations

(Complete only if you checked a box on line 12 of Part I. If you checked box 12a, of Part I, complete Sections A and B. If you checked box 12b, of Part I, complete Sections A and C. If you checked box 12c, of Part I, complete Sections A, D, and E. If you checked box 12d, of 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 (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).		
8	Did the organization make a loan to a disqualified person (as defined in section 4958) not described on line 7? If "Yes," complete Part I of Schedule L (Form 990).		
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 on 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 on 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 on lines 11b and 11c below, the governing body of a supported organization? | | | |
| b A family member of a person described on 11a above? | | | |
| c A 35% controlled entity of a person described on line 11a or 11b above? <i>If "Yes" to 11a, 11b, or 11c, provide detail in Part VI.</i> | | | |
| | 11a | | |
| | 11b | | |
| | 11c | | |

Section B. Type I Supporting Organizations

- | | | Yes | No |
|---|----------|-----|----|
| 1 Did the officers, directors, trustees, or membership of one or more supported organizations have the power to regularly appoint or elect at least a majority of the organization's directors or trustees at all times during the tax year? <i>If "No," describe in Part VI how the supported organization(s) effectively operated, supervised, or controlled the organization's activities. If the organization had more than one supported organization, describe how the powers to appoint and/or remove directors or trustees were allocated among the supported organizations and what conditions or restrictions, if any, applied to such powers during the tax year.</i> | | | |
| 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? <i>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.</i> | | | |
| | 1 | | |
| | 2 | | |

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)? <i>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).</i> | | | |
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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? <i>If "No," explain in Part VI how the organization maintained a close and continuous working relationship with the supported organization(s).</i> | | | |
| 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? <i>If "Yes," describe in Part VI the role the organization's supported organizations played in this regard.</i> | | | |
| | 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** The organization satisfied the Activities Test. Complete **line 2** below.
- b** The organization is the parent of each of its supported organizations. Complete **line 3** below.
- c** The organization supported a governmental entity. Describe in **Part VI** how you supported a government entity (see instructions)

- 2** Activities Test. **Answer lines 2a and 2b below.**

- | | | Yes | No |
|---|-----------|-----|----|
| a Did substantially all of the organization's activities during the tax year directly further the exempt purposes of the supported organization(s) to which the organization was responsive? <i>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.</i> | | | |
| b Did the activities described on 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? <i>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.</i> | | | |
| | 2a | | |
| | 2b | | |

- 3** Parent of Supported Organizations. **Answer lines 3a and 3b below.**

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|---|-----------|--|--|
| 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? <i>If "Yes" or "No", provide details in Part VI.</i> | | | |
| b Did the organization exercise a substantial degree of direction over the policies, programs and activities of each of its supported organizations? <i>If "Yes," describe in Part VI. the role played by the organization in this regard.</i> | | | |
| | 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 | | |
| 5 Depreciation and depletion | 5 | | |
| 6 Portion of operating expenses paid or incurred for production or collection of gross income or for management, conservation, or maintenance of property held for production of income (see instructions) | 6 | | |
| 7 Other expenses (see instructions) | 7 | | |
| 8 Adjusted Net Income (subtract lines 5, 6 and 7 from line 4) | 8 | | |

Section B - Minimum Asset Amount

(A) Prior Year

(B) Current Year
(optional)

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

Section C - Distributable Amount

Current Year

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

- 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	1	
2 Amounts paid to perform activity that directly furthers exempt purposes of supported organizations, in excess of income from activity	2	
3 Administrative expenses paid to accomplish exempt purposes of supported organizations	3	
4 Amounts paid to acquire exempt-use assets	4	
5 Qualified set-aside amounts (prior IRS approval required - provide details in Part VI)	5	
6 Other distributions (describe in Part VI). See instructions	6	
7 Total annual distributions. Add lines 1 through 6.	7	
8 Distributions to attentive supported organizations to which the organization is responsive (provide details in Part VI). See instructions	8	
9 Distributable amount for 2024 from Section C, line 6	9	
10 Line 8 amount divided by Line 9 amount	10	

Section E - Distribution Allocations (see instructions)	(i) Excess Distributions	(ii) Underdistributions Pre-2024	(iii) Distributable Amount for 2024
1 Distributable amount for 2024 from Section C, line 6			
2 Underdistributions, if any, for years prior to 2024 (reasonable cause required-- explain in Part VI). See instructions.			
3 Excess distributions carryover, if any, to 2024:			
a From 2019.			
b From 2020.			
c From 2021.			
d From 2022.			
e From 2023.			
f Total of lines 3a through e			
g Applied to underdistributions of prior years			
h Applied to 2024 distributable amount			
i Carryover from 2019 not applied (see instructions)			
j Remainder. Subtract lines 3g, 3h, and 3i from line 3f.			
4 Distributions for 2024 from Section D, line 7: \$			
a Applied to underdistributions of prior years			
b Applied to 2024 distributable amount			
c Remainder. Subtract lines 4a and 4b from line 4.			
5 Remaining underdistributions for years prior to 2024, if any. Subtract lines 3g and 4a from line 2. If the amount is greater than zero, explain in Part VI . See instructions.			
6 Remaining underdistributions for 2024. Subtract lines 3h and 4b from line 1. If the amount is greater than zero, explain in Part VI . See instructions.			
7 Excess distributions carryover to 2025. Add lines 3j and 4c.			
8 Breakdown of line 7:			
a Excess from 2020.			
b Excess from 2021.			
c Excess from 2022.			
d Excess from 2023.			
e Excess from 2024.			

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).

Facts And Circumstances Test

Return Reference	Explanation

Additional Data

Return to Form

Software ID:

Software Version:

Schedule of Contributors

▶ Attach to Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF.
▶ Go to www.irs.gov/Form990 for the latest information.

Name of the organization CHESAPEAKE BAY FOUNDATION INC	Employer identification number 52-6065757
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Organization type (check one):

Filers of:

Section:

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

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

General Rule

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

Special Rules

- For an organization described in section 501(c)(3) filing Form 990 or 990-EZ that met the 33¹/₃% support test of the regulations under sections 509(a)(1) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi), that checked Schedule A (Form 990 or 990-EZ), Part II, line 13, 16a, or 16b, and that received from any one contributor, during the year, total contributions of the greater of (1) \$5,000 or (2) 2% of the amount on (i) Form 990, Part VIII, line 1h, or (ii) Form 990-EZ, line 1. Complete Parts I and II.
- For an organization described in section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) filing Form 990 or 990-EZ that received from any one contributor, during the year, total contributions of more than \$1,000 *exclusively* for religious, charitable, scientific, literary, or educational purposes, or for the prevention of cruelty to children or animals. Complete Parts I, II, and III.
- For an organization described in section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) filing Form 990 or 990-EZ that received from any one contributor, during the year, contributions *exclusively* for religious, charitable, etc., purposes, but no such contributions totaled more than \$1,000. If this box is checked, enter here the total contributions that were received during the year for an *exclusively* religious, charitable, etc., purpose. Don't complete any of the parts unless the **General Rule** applies to this organization because it received *nonexclusively* religious, charitable, etc., contributions totaling \$5,000 or more during the year ▶ \$ _____

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

Name of organization
CHESAPEAKE BAY FOUNDATION INC

Employer identification number
52-6065757

Part I

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

(a) No.	(b) Name, address, and ZIP + 4	(c) Total contributions	(d) Type of contribution
RESTRICTED		\$ RESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> Person <input type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
(a) No.	(b) Name, address, and ZIP + 4	(c) Total contributions	(d) Type of contribution
-		\$	<input type="checkbox"/> Person <input type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
(a) No.	(b) Name, address, and ZIP + 4	(c) Total contributions	(d) Type of contribution
-		\$	<input type="checkbox"/> Person <input type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
(a) No.	(b) Name, address, and ZIP + 4	(c) Total contributions	(d) Type of contribution
-		\$	<input type="checkbox"/> Person <input type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
(a) No.	(b) Name, address, and ZIP + 4	(c) Total contributions	(d) Type of contribution
-		\$	<input type="checkbox"/> Person <input type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
(a) No.	(b) Name, address, and ZIP + 4	(c) Total contributions	(d) Type of contribution
-		\$	<input type="checkbox"/> Person <input type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)

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CHESAPEAKE BAY FOUNDATION INC

Employer identification number
52-6065757

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

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

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

(a) No. from Part I	(b) Purpose of gift	(c) Use of gift	(d) Description of how gift is held
	_____	_____	_____
	_____	_____	_____
(e) Transfer of gift			
Transferee's name, address, and ZIP 4		Relationship of transferor to transferee	
_____		_____	
_____		_____	
(a) No. from Part I	(b) Purpose of gift	(c) Use of gift	(d) Description of how gift is held
	_____	_____	_____
	_____	_____	_____
(e) Transfer of gift			
Transferee's name, address, and ZIP 4		Relationship of transferor to transferee	
_____		_____	
_____		_____	
(a) No. from Part I	(b) Purpose of gift	(c) Use of gift	(d) Description of how gift is held
	_____	_____	_____
	_____	_____	_____
(e) Transfer of gift			
Transferee's name, address, and ZIP 4		Relationship of transferor to transferee	
_____		_____	
_____		_____	
(a) No. from Part I	(b) Purpose of gift	(c) Use of gift	(d) Description of how gift is held
	_____	_____	_____
	_____	_____	_____
(e) Transfer of gift			
Transferee's name, address, and ZIP 4		Relationship of transferor to transferee	
_____		_____	
_____		_____	

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Political Campaign and Lobbying Activities

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 the organization CHESAPEAKE BAY FOUNDATION INC	Employer identification number 52-6065757
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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..... \$ _____

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 (grass roots lobbying)	22,549													
b Total lobbying expenditures to influence a legislative body (direct lobbying)	218,178													
c Total lobbying expenditures (add lines 1a and 1b)	240,727													
d Other exempt purpose expenditures	36,551,768													
e Total exempt purpose expenditures (add lines 1c and 1d)	36,792,495													
f Lobbying nontaxable amount. Enter the amount from the following table in both columns.	1,000,000													
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If the amount on line 1e, column (a) or (b) is:	The lobbying nontaxable amount is:													
Not over \$500,000	20% of the amount on line 1e.													
Over \$500,000 but not over \$1,000,000	\$100,000 plus 15% of the excess over \$500,000.													
Over \$1,000,000 but not over \$1,500,000	\$175,000 plus 10% of the excess over \$1,000,000.													
Over \$1,500,000 but not over \$17,000,000	\$225,000 plus 5% of the excess over \$1,500,000.													
Over \$17,000,000	\$1,000,000.													
g Grassroots nontaxable amount (enter 25% of line 1f)	250,000													
h Subtract line 1g from line 1a. If zero or less, enter -0-	0													
i Subtract line 1f from line 1c. If zero or less, enter -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) 2021	(b) 2022	(c) 2023	(d) 2024	(e) Total
2a Lobbying nontaxable amount	1,000,000	1,000,000	1,000,000	1,000,000	4,000,000
b Lobbying ceiling amount (150% of line 2a, column(e))					6,000,000
c Total lobbying expenditures	270,411	189,221	237,750	240,727	938,109
d Grassroots nontaxable amount	250,000	250,000	250,000	250,000	1,000,000
e Grassroots ceiling amount (150% of line 2d, column (e))					1,500,000
f Grassroots lobbying expenditures	40,942	16,762	23,430	22,549	103,683

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?			
b Paid staff or management (include compensation in expenses reported on lines 1c through 1i)?			
c Media advertisements?			
d Mailings to members, legislators, or the public?			
e Publications, or published or broadcast statements?			
f Grants to other organizations for lobbying purposes?			
g Direct contact with legislators, their staffs, government officials, or a legislative body?			
h Rallies, demonstrations, seminars, conventions, speeches, lectures, or any similar means?			
i Other activities?			
j Total. Add lines 1c through 1i			
2a Did the activities in line 1 cause the organization to be not described in section 501(c)(3)?			
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 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	
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	

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.

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SCHEDULE D
(Form 990)

Supplemental Financial Statements

OMB No. 1545-0047

(Rev. January 2025)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

▶ **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.**

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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 Aggregate value of contributions to (during year)		
3 Aggregate value of grants from (during year)		
4 Aggregate value at end of year		

5 Did the organization inform all donors and donor advisors in writing that the assets held in donor advised funds are the organization's property, subject to the organization's exclusive legal control? 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 (e.g., recreation or education) Preservation of an 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 Year
a Total number of conservation easements	2a 9
b Total acreage restricted by conservation easements	2b 716.00
c Number of conservation easements on a certified historic structure included in (a)	2c
d Number of conservation easements included in (c) acquired after July 25, 2006, 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 ▶ 1

4 Number of states where property subject to conservation easement is located ▶ 2

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
▶ 41.00

7 Amount of expenses incurred in monitoring, inspecting, handling of violations, and enforcing conservation easements during the year
▶ \$ 2,881

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 ▶ \$ 0

(ii) Assets included in Form 990, Part X ▶ \$ 75,154

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

Part IV Escrow and Custodial Arrangements.

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

- 1a** Is the organization an agent, trustee, custodian or other intermediary for contributions or other assets not included on Form 990, Part X? Yes No
- b** If "Yes," explain the arrangement in Part XIII and complete the following table:
- | | Amount |
|--|-----------|
| c Beginning balance | 1c |
| d Additions during the year | 1d |
| e Distributions during the year | 1e |
| f Ending balance | 1f |
- 2a** Did the organization include an amount on Form 990, Part X, line 21, for escrow or custodial account liability? Yes No
- b** If "Yes," explain the arrangement in Part XIII. Check here if the explanation has been provided in 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	70,988,801	65,594,696	64,006,091	76,257,134	63,530,119
b Contributions	114,200	252,796	67,842	2,119,243	291,075
c Net investment earnings, gains, and losses	6,732,046	8,704,066	5,454,210	-9,529,560	15,927,131
d Grants or scholarships					
e Other expenditures for facilities and programs	4,063,942	3,562,757	3,933,447	4,840,726	3,491,191
f Administrative expenses					
g End of year balance	73,771,105	70,988,801	65,594,696	64,006,091	76,257,134

- 2** Provide the estimated percentage of the current year end balance (line 1g, column (a)) held as:
- a** Board designated or quasi-endowment ▶ 18.510 %
 - b** Permanent endowment ▶ 56.520 %
 - c** Term endowment ▶ 24.970 %
- 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 | Yes | No |
| (ii) Related organizations | Yes | No |
| b If "Yes" on 3a(ii), are the related organizations listed as required on Schedule R? | | |
- 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		9,121,295		9,121,295
b Buildings				
c Leasehold improvements		31,253,514	17,769,109	13,484,405
d Equipment				
e Other		15,309,550	8,199,127	7,110,423
Total. Add lines 1a through 1e. (Column (d) must equal Form 990, Part X, column (B), line 10(c).)				29,716,123

Part VII Investments - Other Securities.

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

(a) Description of security or category (including name of security)	(b) Book value	(c) Method of valuation: Cost or end-of-year market value
(1) Financial derivatives		
(2) Closely-held equity interests		
(3) Other _____		
(A) Partnerships/Alternative Investments	20,444,834	F
(B) Beneficial Interest in Perpetual Trust	3,614,397	F
(B)		
(C)		
(D)		
(E)		
(F)		
(G)		
(H)		
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col. (B) line 12.)	24,059,231	

Part VIII Investments - Program Related.

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

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

Part IX Other Assets.

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

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

Part X Other Liabilities.

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

1. (a) Description of liability	(b) Book value
(1) Federal income taxes	
Split Interest Agreement	608,738
operating lease liabilities	274,185
refundable advance	87,052
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col.(B) line 25.)	969,975

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

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

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

1	Total revenue, gains, and other support per audited financial statements	1	36,642,440
2	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12:		
a	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	2a	1,049,064
b	Donated services and use of facilities	2b	186,392
c	Recoveries of prior year grants	2c	
d	Other (Describe in Part XIII.)	2d	260,113
e	Add lines 2a through 2d	2e	1,495,569
3	Subtract line 2e from line 1	3	35,146,871
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	264,427
b	Other (Describe in Part XIII.)	4b	
c	Add lines 4a and 4b	4c	264,427
5	Total revenue. Add lines 3 and 4c . (This must equal Form 990, Part I, line 12.)	5	35,411,298

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	37,590,311
2	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part IX, line 25:		
a	Donated services and use of facilities	2a	186,392
b	Prior year adjustments	2b	
c	Other losses	2c	
d	Other (Describe in Part XIII.)	2d	260,113
e	Add lines 2a through 2d	2e	446,505
3	Subtract line 2e from line 1	3	37,143,806
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	264,427
b	Other (Describe in Part XIII.)	4b	
c	Add lines 4a and 4b	4c	264,427
5	Total expenses. Add lines 3 and 4c . (This must equal Form 990, Part I, line 18.)	5	37,408,233

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.

Return Reference	Explanation
Part II, Line 9:	A monetary value has not been placed on conservation easements; therefore, they are not included in financial statements.
Part III, Line 4:	A scale model of a Chesapeake Bay crabbing skiff hangs in the foyer of the Merrill Center. It is a reminder that CBF's mission is to Save the Bay, which includes restoring its bounty to levels that can support all the people who make a living on the Bay. Greeting visitors to the Merrill Center is a bronze and silver sculpture of an osprey, representing the fact that approximately one-quarter of all ospreys in the contiguous United States nest in the Chesapeake Bay region.
Part V, Line 4:	Endowment funds are used for donor restricted projects as well as to fund unrestricted activities. Donor restricted endowments are used for education in general, field education, farm operations, support and maintenance of facilities and boats, and restoration projects. It is the policy of the Foundation to spend 5.5% of a twelve quarter trailing average of the sum of accumulated investments.
Part XI, Line 2d - Other Adjustments:	Special Event Expenses reported as an expense on the 260,113. financial statements and netted against revenue on the Form 990, Part VIII, line 8b.
Part XII, Line 2d - Other Adjustments:	Special Event Expenses reported as an expense on the 260,113. financial statements and netted against revenue on the Form 990, Part VIII, line 8b.

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Supplemental Information Regarding Fundraising or Gaming Activities

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, lines 17, 18, or 19, or if the organization entered more than \$15,000 on Form 990-EZ, line 6a.
 Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ.
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Part I Fundraising Activities. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 17. Form 990-EZ filers are not required to complete this part.

- 1** Indicate whether the organization raised funds through any of the following activities. Check all that apply.
- | | |
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| a <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mail solicitations | e <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Solicitation of non-government grants |
| b <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Internet and email solicitations | f <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Solicitation of government grants |
| c <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Phone solicitations | g <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Special fundraising events |
| d <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> In-person solicitations | |
- 2a** Did the organization have a written or oral agreement with any individual (including officers, directors, trustees or key employees listed in Form 990, Part VII) or entity in connection with professional fundraising **Yes** **No**
- b** If "Yes," list the 10 highest paid individuals or entities (fundraisers) pursuant to agreements under which the fundraiser is to be compensated at least \$5,000 by the organization.

(i) Name and address of individual or entity (fundraiser)	(ii) Activity	(iii) Did fundraiser have custody or control of contributions?		(iv) Gross receipts from activity	(v) Amount paid to (or retained by) fundraiser listed in col. (i)	(vi) Amount paid to (or retained by) organization
		Yes	No			
1 Lautman Maska Neill & Company 1730 Rhode Island Ave NW Ste 301 Washington, D C 20036	Membership Consulting		No	3,089,430	138,000	2,951,430
2 Allegiance Fundraising LLC dba Allegiance Group 3064 49th Street Fargo, ND 58104	Digital Consulting		No	1,999,502	301,881	1,697,621
3						
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10						
Total ▶				5,088,932	439,881	4,649,051

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

A L, A K, A R, C A, C O, C T, D C, F L, G A, H I, I L, K S, K Y, M E, M D, M A, M I, M N, M S, N V, N H, N J, N M, N Y, N C, N D, O H, O K, O R, P A, R I, S C, T N, U T, V A, W A, W V, W I

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

Revenue		(a) Event #1	(b) Event #2	(c) Other events	(d) Total events
		<u>Bands in the Sands</u> (event type)	<u>DC on the Half Shell</u> (event type)	(total number)	(add col. (a) through col. (c))
1	Gross receipts	585,769	9,971		595,740
2	Less: Contributions	466,227	8,770		474,997
3	Gross income (line 1 minus line 2)	119,542	1,201		120,743
Direct Expenses	4	Cash prizes			
	5	Noncash prizes	5,680		5,680
	6	Rent/facility costs	68,068		68,068
	7	Food and beverages	38,885		38,885
	8	Entertainment	23,500		23,500
	9	Other direct expenses	115,815	8,165	123,980
	10	Direct expense summary. Add lines 4 through 9 in column (d) ▶			
11	Net income summary. Subtract line 10 from line 3, column (d) ▶				-139,370

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

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

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

a Is the organization licensed to conduct gaming activities in each of these states? Yes No

b If "No," explain: _____

10a Were any of the organization's gaming licenses revoked, suspended or terminated during the tax year? Yes No

b If "Yes," explain: _____

11 Does the organization conduct gaming activities with nonmembers? Yes No

12 Is the organization a grantor, beneficiary or trustee of a trust or a member of a partnership or other entity formed to administer charitable gaming? Yes No

13 Indicate the percentage of gaming activity conducted in:

a	The organization's facility	13a	%
b	An outside facility	13b	%

14 Enter the name and address of the person who prepares the organization's gaming/special events books and records:

Name ▶ -----

Address ▶ -----

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

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

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

Name ▶ -----

Address ▶ -----

16 Gaming manager information:

Name ▶ -----

Gaming manager compensation ▶ \$ -----

Description of services provided ▶ -----

Director/officer Employee Independent contractor

17 Mandatory distributions:

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

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

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

Return Reference	Explanation
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Schedule I (Form 990) (Rev. January 2025) Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service

Grants and Other Assistance to Organizations, Governments and Individuals in the United States Complete if the organization answered "Yes," on Form 990, Part IV, line 21 or 22. Attach to Form 990. Go to www.irs.gov/Form990 for instructions and the latest information.

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Name of the organization CHESAPEAKE BAY FOUNDATION INC

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Part I General Information on Grants and Assistance

- 1 Does the organization maintain records to substantiate the amount of the grants or assistance, the grantees' eligibility for the grants or assistance, and the selection criteria used to award the grants or assistance?
2 Describe in Part IV the organization's procedures for monitoring the use of grant funds in the United States.

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

Table with 8 columns: (a) Name and address of organization or government, (b) EIN, (c) IRC section (if applicable), (d) Amount of cash grant, (e) Amount of non-cash assistance, (f) Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other), (g) Description of noncash assistance, (h) Purpose of grant or assistance. Rows 1-13 list various organizations and their grant details.

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

Part III Grants and Other Assistance to Domestic Individuals. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 22.

Part III can be duplicated if additional space is needed.

(a) Type of grant or assistance	(b) Number of recipients	(c) Amount of cash grant	(d) Amount of noncash assistance	(e) Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other)	(f) Description of noncash assistance
(1)					
(2)					
(3)					
(4)					
(5)					
(6)					
(7)					

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

Return Reference	Explanation
Part I, Line 2:	Grant agreements require detailed progress and financial reports that are reviewed by departmental financial managers and Sr. Grants Manager before payments are made. Program managers will also review and approve the grantee's project performance according to the details of the grant.

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Compensation Information

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

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

▶ **Attach to Form 990.**

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Part I Questions Regarding Compensation

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

<input type="checkbox"/> First-class or charter travel <input type="checkbox"/> Travel for companions <input type="checkbox"/> Tax idemnification and gross-up payments <input type="checkbox"/> Discretionary spending account	<input type="checkbox"/> Housing allowance or residence for personal use <input type="checkbox"/> Payments for business use of personal residence <input type="checkbox"/> Health or social club dues or initiation fees <input type="checkbox"/> Personal services (e.g., maid, chauffeur, chef)
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b If any of the boxes on Line 1a are checked, did the organization follow a written policy regarding payment or reimbursement or provision of all of the expenses described above? If "No," complete Part III to explain

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

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

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

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

- a** Receive a severance payment or change-of-control payment?
- b** Participate in, or receive payment from, a supplemental nonqualified retirement plan?
- c** Participate in, or receive payment from, an equity-based compensation arrangement?
If "Yes" to any of lines 4a-c, list the persons and provide the applicable amounts for each item in Part III.

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

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

- a** The organization?
- b** Any related organization?
If "Yes," on line 5a or 5b, describe in Part III.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

(A) Name and Title		(B) Breakdown of W-2, 1099-MISC compensation, and/or 1099-NEC			(C) Retirement and other deferred compensation	(D) Nontaxable benefits	(E) Total of columns (B)(i)-(D)	(F) Compensation in column (B) reported as deferred on prior Form 990
		(i) Base compensation	(ii) Bonus & incentive compensation	(iii) Other reportable compensation				
1 Hilary H Falk President	(i)	353,362	148	14,085	14,085	21,632	403,312	0
	(ii)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2 Katharene P Snavely Chief Development Officer	(i)	207,757	148	22,384	8,600	21,729	260,618	0
	(ii)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
3 Alison H Prost VP - Enviro. Protec. & Restor.	(i)	210,296	148	9,114	9,114	20,796	249,468	0
	(ii)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
4 Tola Sanni Treasurer, CFO	(i)	214,888	148	5,431	5,431	18,762	244,660	0
	(ii)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
5 Everett S Marshall VP - People	(i)	190,213	148	8,328	7,948	20,834	227,471	0
	(ii)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
6 Thomas W Ackerman VP - Education	(i)	184,511	888	7,525	7,525	20,941	221,390	0
	(ii)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
7 Robert J Beach VP - Communications	(i)	177,451	163	14,898	7,525	20,182	220,219	0
	(ii)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
8 Paul W Smail VP - Litigation	(i)	184,073	518	6,726	6,726	21,729	219,772	0
	(ii)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
9 William A Agee III Secretary; VP - Administration	(i)	192,710	148	7,475	7,475	84	207,892	0
	(ii)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
10 Carmera S Thomas-Wilhite VP - Communities and Partnerships	(i)	154,344	162	5,543	5,543	16,918	182,510	0
	(ii)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Part III Supplemental Information

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

Return Reference	Explanation
Part I, Line 7	The following individuals received holiday bonuses in 2024: Hilary H. Falk \$148 Katharene P. Snavely \$148 Alison H. Prost \$148 Robert J. Beach \$163 Thomas W. Ackerman \$888 William A. Agee III \$148 Everett S. Marshall \$148 Paul W. Smail \$518 Carmera S. Thomas-White \$162 Tola Sanni \$148

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**SCHEDULE M
(Form 990)**

Noncash Contributions

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- ▶ **Complete if the organizations answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, lines 29 or 30.**
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Part I Types of Property

	(a) Check if applicable	(b) Number of contributions or items contributed	(c) Noncash contribution amounts reported on Form 990, Part VIII, line 1g	(d) Method of determining noncash contribution amounts
1 Art—Works of art				
2 Art—Historical treasures				
3 Art—Fractional interests				
4 Books and publications				
5 Clothing and household goods				
6 Cars and other vehicles				
7 Boats and planes				
8 Intellectual property				
9 Securities—Publicly traded	X	76	1,874,892	Fair market value
10 Securities—Closely held stock				
11 Securities—Partnership, LLC, or trust interests				
12 Securities—Miscellaneous				
13 Qualified conservation contribution—Historic structures				
14 Qualified conservation contribution—Other				
15 Real estate—Residential				
16 Real estate—Commercial				
17 Real estate—Other				
18 Collectibles				
19 Food inventory	X	1	652	
20 Drugs and medical supplies				
21 Taxidermy				
22 Historical artifacts				
23 Scientific specimens				
24 Archeological artifacts				
25 Other (Oyster Shell ▶ Recycling)	X	26	27,512	
Other (Electric Charger & ▶ Pedestal)	X	1	13,445	
27 Other ▶ (Furniture)	X	1	2,952	
28 Other ▶ (Guitar)	X	1	799	
Other ▶ (Watch)	X	1	798	
Other (Fishing Gear ▶)	X	1	429	
Other ▶ (Gift card)	X	1	50	

29 Number of Forms 8283 received by the organization during the tax year for contributions for which the organization completed Form 8283, Part IV, Donee Acknowledgement **29** 0

	Yes	No
30a During the year, did the organization receive by contribution any property reported in Part I, lines 1 through 28, that it must hold for at least three years from the date of the initial contribution, and which isn't required to be used for exempt purposes for the entire holding period? b If "Yes," describe the arrangement in Part II.		No
31 Does the organization have a gift acceptance policy that requires the review of any nonstandard contributions?	Yes	
32a Does the organization hire or use third parties or related organizations to solicit, process, or sell noncash contributions? b If "Yes," describe in Part II.	Yes	
33 If the organization didn't report an amount in column (c) for a type of property for which column (a) is checked, describe in Part II.		

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

Return Reference	Explanation
Part I, Column (b):	The number of contributions received was reported in column B on Part I.
Part I, Line 32b:	When necessary, licensed boat brokers are used to sell donated boats that are not used for operations.

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SCHEDULE O
(Form 990)(Rev. January 2025)
Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service**Supplemental Information to Form 990 or 990-EZ****Complete to provide information for responses to specific questions on
Form 990 or 990-EZ or to provide any additional information.
Attach to Form 990 or 990-EZ.****Go to www.irs.gov/Form990 for instructions and the latest information.**

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Form 990, Part I, Line 1	We define a saved Bay as having a score of 70 (out of 100) on CBF's State of the Bay health index. Thanks largely to a dramatic reduction in the amount of pollution entering the system, at 70 the Chesapeake Bay and its tributary rivers will be highly productive and in good health as measured by established water-quality standards. The result will be clear water, free of the impacts from toxic contaminants, and healthy oxygen levels, able to support living resources in all parts of the Bay. Founded in 1966, CBF is the largest regional conservation organization dedicated solely to saving a national treasure-the Chesapeake Bay and its rivers and streams. With headquarters in Annapolis, MD; state offices in MD, VA, and PA; and educational centers and programs across the region; CBF works throughout the 64,000-square-mile Chesapeake watershed to: Educate - build an informed citizenry; Advocate - advance pollution reduction; Litigate - encourage enforcement of environmental law; and Restore - rebuild the Bay system's natural filters such as oysters, underwater grasses, and streamside forests. CBF is supported by more than 200,000 members and e-subscribers.
Form 990, Part III, Line 4a	Advocacy & Restoration, continued from page 2: To achieve its objectives, the department utilizes a team of lawyers, water quality and restoration scientists, outreach experts, citizen organizers, lobbyists, and policy specialists with expertise in fisheries, pollution reduction, land use, and agriculture. Their focus is local, state, and federal government policies; private sector practices; and citizen engagement. The Program develops and employs strategies and tactics designed to define the necessary governmental policies and programs, create the needed "political will" to ensure implementation of these policies and programs, and organizes CBF members to interact with decision-makers. When appropriate, the department uses the law as a tool to protect and preserve Chesapeake Bay.
Form 990, Part III, Line 4b	Education, continued from page 2: Designed to engage tomorrow's environmental leaders, these students now participate in CBF events, share what they learned with peers, and create projects in their communities to better the environment. In addition, the Education Department conducts professional learning courses for educators throughout Maryland, Virginia, Pennsylvania, and the District of Columbia. Known as Chesapeake Classrooms, these courses provide teachers first-hand experience on local waterways and help them to develop lesson plans that incorporate Bay studies. The department also teaches principals and school administrators through our Principal Environmental Leadership Courses. These courses increase support for school-wide environmental education programs. Furthermore, the department helps to educate elected officials, policy makers, journalists, and other community leaders and advocates through on-the-water field experiences. These trips inform influential members of the community about the issues facing the Bay and the ways that they can help further the Bay's restoration.
Form 990, Part III, Line 4c	Marketing & Communications, continued from page 2: Marketing & Communications' tactics are to develop well-researched messages and deliver them through integrated channels, including: publications such as CBF's member magazine, brochures, and regular and special reports; earned, paid, or donated media; digital media, including the CBF website, social media, and outbound e-mails; and any other forms of direct or indirect communications with our members and the public at large. The Marketing & Communications Department is organized around four primary functional areas: creative services; media; digital communications, and integrated communications/marketing.
Form 990, Part VI, Section B, line 11b	An independent audit firm was engaged to conduct the financial statements' audit and to assist in preparing the Form 990. The Chief Financial Officer and Finance staff directly participated in preparing the form, drafting responses to questions and reviewing the Form 990 in draft. The Chief Financial Officer then reviewed it with the President and Chairman of the Audit and Finance Committee. The 990 was provided to the Audit and Finance Committee, comprised of Board of Trustee members, for their review and comments, after which it was sent to the full Board before being electronically filed with the IRS.
Form 990, Part VI, Section B, line 12c	Each Trustee, officer, key employee and employees in positions to obligate CBF are required to review a copy of the conflict of interest policy annually and complete a disclosure form identifying any relationship positions or circumstances which he or she believes could contribute to a conflict. The conflict of interest disclosure form is completed, signed and returned to the Chief Financial Officer who notifies the Chairman of the Audit and Finance Committee and the General Counsel of any concerns. This process is also covered in orientation sessions held for new Trustees as well as for new employees. If items arise during Board meetings that are conflicts of interest, the board member having possible conflicts of interest cannot vote or participate in Board or Committee deliberations on the subject or be counted toward meeting a quorum. However, they may answer questions.
Form 990, Part VI, Section B, line 15	During the annual budget approval meeting of the Audit and Finance Committee of the Board of Trustees, the Committee reviews and approves the salary and any proposed pay increase for the President and key employees. Compensation related decisions are documented within the minutes. The committee will provide this information to the full board for approval. The President's last compensation review took place in May 2025. Generally, compensation for all staff is independently reviewed and determined annually based on performance evaluation, and analysis of comparable data obtained from industry resources and peer organizations. An overall increase pool, based on market data, is approved by the Committee for use in the process. In addition, the Chief Financial Officer and the Vice President of Human Resources informally reviews and approves all staff alignment to ensure consistency and continuity of various positions within the appropriate pay grades and ranges.
Form 990, Part VI, Section C, line 19	CBF's governing documents and conflict of interest policy are available to the public upon request using contact information on the website. Audited financial statements, the Form 990, and the Annual Report can be found on CBF's website. Audited financial statements and the Form 990 are also filed with state charitable solicitation registrations, and are also available through not-for-profit internet portals such as Guidestar and Charity Navigator.
Form 990, Part XI line 8	The financial statements for the year ended June 30, 2024 have been restated to correct the accounting treatment of a payment received on an existing contribution receivable. The payment was recorded as grants and gifts revenue during the year ended June 30, 2024 rather than being applied to reduce the outstanding grants and contributions receivable balance. Therefore, the amount has been reported as a prior period adjustment on Form 990, Part XI line 8.

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