

Form **990-EZ**

**Short Form  
Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax**

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

- ▶ Do not enter social security numbers on this form as it may be made public.
- ▶ Information about Form 990-EZ and its instructions is at [www.irs.gov/form990](http://www.irs.gov/form990).

OMB No. 1545-1150

**2014**

**Open to Public Inspection**

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

**A For the 2014 calendar year, or tax year beginning** Oct 1 , 2014, and ending Sep 30 , 2015

<p><b>B</b> Check if applicable:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Address change</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Name change</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Initial return</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Final return/terminated</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Amended return</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Application pending</p>	<p><b>C</b> Name of organization <b>Stark Mountain Foundation, Inc.</b></p> <p>Number and street (or P.O. box, if mail is not delivered to street address) Room/suite <b>P.O. Box 1221</b></p> <p>City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code <b>Waitsfield VT 05673</b></p>	<p><b>D</b> Employer identification number <b>03-0369897</b></p> <p><b>E</b> Telephone number <b>(802) 583-3536</b></p> <p><b>F</b> Group Exemption Number . . . . . ▶</p>
---	---	--

**G** Accounting Method:  Cash  Accrual Other (specify) ▶ \_\_\_\_\_

**I Website:** ▶ [www.starkmountain.org](http://www.starkmountain.org)

**J Tax-exempt status** (check only one) —  501(c)(3)  501(c) ( ) ◀(insert no.)  4947(a)(1) or  527

**K Form of organization:**  Corporation  Trust  Association  Other \_\_\_\_\_

**L** Add lines 5b, 6c, and 7b to line 9 to determine gross receipts. If gross receipts are \$200,000 or more, or if total assets (Part II, column (B) below) are \$500,000 or more, file Form 990 instead of Form 990-EZ . . . . . ▶ \$ **192,078.**

**Part I Revenue, Expenses, and Changes in Net Assets or Fund Balances** (see the instructions for Part I)  
Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part I . . . . .

	Description	Code	Amount
<b>R E V E N U E</b>	<b>1</b> Contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts received . . . . .	<b>1</b>	130,861.
	<b>2</b> Program service revenue including government fees and contracts . . . . .	<b>2</b>	
	<b>3</b> Membership dues and assessments . . . . .	<b>3</b>	
	<b>4</b> Investment income . . . . .	<b>4</b>	9.
	<b>5 a</b> Gross amount from sale of assets other than inventory . . . . .	<b>5 a</b>	58,588.
	<b>b</b> Less: cost or other basis and sales expenses . . . . .	<b>5 b</b>	58,624.
	<b>c</b> Gain or (loss) from sale of assets other than inventory (Subtract line 5b from line 5a) . . . . .	<b>5 c</b>	-36.
	<b>6</b> Gaming and fundraising events		
	<b>a</b> Gross income from gaming (attach Schedule G if greater than \$15,000) . . . . .	<b>6 a</b>	
	<b>b</b> Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ _____ of contributions from fundraising events reported on line 1) (attach Schedule G if the sum of such gross income and contributions exceeds \$15,000) . . . . .	<b>6 b</b>	2,620.
<b>c</b> Less: direct expenses from gaming and fundraising events . . . . .	<b>6 c</b>	1,776.	
<b>d</b> Net income or (loss) from gaming and fundraising events (add lines 6a and 6b and subtract line 6c) . . . . .	<b>6 d</b>	844.	
<b>E X P E N S E S</b>	<b>7 a</b> Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances . . . . .	<b>7 a</b>	
	<b>b</b> Less: cost of goods sold . . . . .	<b>7 b</b>	
	<b>c</b> Gross profit or (loss) from sales of inventory (Subtract line 7b from line 7a) . . . . .	<b>7 c</b>	
	<b>8</b> Other revenue (describe in Schedule O) . . . . .	<b>8</b>	
	<b>9 Total revenue.</b> Add lines 1, 2, 3, 4, 5c, 6d, 7c, and 8 . . . . . ▶	<b>9</b>	131,678.
<b>A S S E T S</b>	<b>10</b> Grants and similar amounts paid (list in Schedule O) . . . . . See I-10 Stmt . . . . .	<b>10</b>	110,981.
	<b>11</b> Benefits paid to or for members . . . . .	<b>11</b>	
	<b>12</b> Salaries, other compensation, and employee benefits . . . . .	<b>12</b>	
	<b>13</b> Professional fees and other payments to independent contractors . . . . .	<b>13</b>	10,563.
	<b>14</b> Occupancy, rent, utilities, and maintenance . . . . .	<b>14</b>	
	<b>15</b> Printing, publications, postage, and shipping . . . . .	<b>15</b>	58.
	<b>16</b> Other expenses (describe in Schedule O) . . . . . See Form 990-EZ, Part I, Line 16 Other Expenses	<b>16</b>	3,518.
<b>17 Total expenses.</b> Add lines 10 through 16 . . . . . ▶	<b>17</b>	125,120.	
<b>18</b> Excess or (deficit) for the year (Subtract line 17 from line 9) . . . . .	<b>18</b>	6,558.	
<b>A S S E T S</b>	<b>19</b> Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (from line 27, column (A)) (must agree with end-of-year figure reported on prior year's return) . . . . .	<b>19</b>	52,428.
	<b>20</b> Other changes in net assets or fund balances (explain in Schedule O) . . . . .	<b>20</b>	
	<b>21</b> Net assets or fund balances at end of year. Combine lines 18 through 20 . . . . . ▶	<b>21</b>	58,986.

**BAA For Paperwork Reduction Act Notice, see the separate instructions.** Form 990-EZ (2014)

Part II Balance Sheets (see the instructions for Part II)

Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part II [X]

Table with 4 columns: Description, (A) Beginning of year, (B) End of year, and a small column for a checkbox. Rows include Cash, savings, and investments; Land and buildings; Other assets; Total assets; Total liabilities; Net assets or fund balances.

Part III Statement of Program Service Accomplishments (see the instructions for Part III)

Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part III [ ]

What is the organization's primary exempt purpose? Preserve and protect the environment of Stark Mountain
Describe the organization's program service accomplishments for each of its three largest program services, as measured by expenses.

Expenses (Required for section 501 (c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations; optional for others.)

Table with 4 columns: Description, (A) Beginning of year, (B) End of year, and a small column for a checkbox. Rows include Funded an information kiosk, reprinting of Mountain Hiking Guide; Other program services; Total program service expenses.

Part IV List of Officers, Directors, Trustees, and Key Employees (list each one even if not compensated - see the instructions for Part IV)

Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part IV [ ]

Table with 5 columns: (a) Name and title, (b) Average hours per week devoted to position, (c) Reportable compensation, (d) Health benefits, contributions to employee benefit plans, and deferred compensation, (e) Estimated amount of other compensation.

Part V Other Information (Note the Schedule A and personal benefit contract statement requirements in the instructions for Part V) Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part V

Table with columns for question number, description, and Yes/No checkboxes. Includes questions 33 through 41 regarding organizational activities, expenditures, and tax matters.

42a The organization's books are in care of Hall & Holden PC, Telephone no. (802) 496-3140, Located at 705 Mill Brook Road, Waitsfield, VT ZIP+4 05673

Table with columns for question number, description, and Yes/No checkboxes. Includes questions 42b and 42c regarding foreign financial accounts and offices.

43 Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts filing Form 990-EZ in lieu of Form 1041 - Check here and enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the tax year

Table with columns for question number, description, and Yes/No checkboxes. Includes questions 44a through 45b regarding donor advised funds, hospital facilities, and controlled entities.

46 Did the organization engage, directly or indirectly, in political campaign activities on behalf of or in opposition to candidates for public office? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule C, Part I. . . . . 46 Yes No X

Part VI Section 501(c)(3) organizations only

All section 501(c)(3) organizations must answer questions 47-49b and 52, and complete the tables for lines 50 and 51.

Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part VI . . . . .

47 Did the organization engage in lobbying activities or have a section 501(h) election in effect during the tax year? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule C, Part II . . . . . 47 Yes No X

48 Is the organization a school as described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule E . . . . . 48 X

49 a Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization? . . . . . 49 a X

b If 'Yes,' was the related organization a section 527 organization? . . . . . 49 b

50 Complete this table for the organization's five highest compensated employees (other than officers, directors, trustees and key employees) who each received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization. If there is none, enter 'None.'

Table with 5 columns: (a) Name and title of each employee, (b) Average hours per week devoted to position, (c) Reportable compensation (Forms W-2/1099-MISC), (d) Health benefits, contributions to employee benefit plans, and deferred compensation, (e) Estimated amount of other compensation. Row 1: None.

f Total number of other employees paid over \$100,000. . . . . 0

51 Complete this table for the organization's five highest compensated independent contractors who each received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization. If there is none, enter 'None.'

Table with 3 columns: (a) Name and business address of each independent contractor, (b) Type of service, (c) Compensation. Row 1: None.

d Total number of other independent contractors each receiving over \$100,000. . . . . 0

52 Did the organization complete Schedule A? Note. All section 501(c)(3) organizations must attach a completed Schedule A . . . . . X Yes No

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

Sign Here Signature of officer Date Penelope Parson Treasurer

Paid Preparer Use Only Print/Type preparer's name Preparer's signature Date Check if self-employed PTIN William S. Huckabay, CPA P00154308 Firm's name Tapia & Huckabay, P.C. Firm's address P.O. Box 38 Vergennes VT 05491 Firm's EIN 47-1371818 Phone no. (802) 870-7086

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

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

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

**Public Charity Status and Public Support**

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

▶ Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ.

▶ Information about Schedule A (Form 990 or 990-EZ) and its instructions is at [www.irs.gov/form990](http://www.irs.gov/form990).

OMB No. 1545-0047

**2014**

**Open to Public Inspection**

Name of the organization <b>Stark Mountain Foundation, Inc.</b>	Employer identification number <b>03-0369897</b>
--	---

**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 11, 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.)
- 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 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.)
- 10  An organization organized and operated exclusively to test for public safety. See **section 509(a)(4)**.
- 11  An organization organized and operated exclusively for the benefit of, to perform the functions of, or to carry out the purposes of one or more publicly supported organizations described in **section 509(a)(1)** or **section 509(a)(2)**. See **section 509(a)(3)**. Check the box in lines 11a through 11d that describes the type of supporting organization and complete lines 11e, 11f, and 11g.
  - 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 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 1-9 above or IRC section (see instructions))	(iv) Is the organization listed in your governing document?		(v) Amount of monetary support (see instructions)	(vi) Amount of other support (see instructions)
			Yes	No		
(A)						
(B)						
(C)						
(D)						
(E)						
<b>Total</b>						

**Part II Support Schedule for Organizations Described in Sections 170(b)(1)(A)(iv) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi)**

(Complete only if you checked the box on line 5, 7, or 8 of Part I or if the organization failed to qualify under Part III. If the organization fails to qualify under the tests listed below, please complete Part III.)

**Section A. Public Support**

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ▶	(a) 2010	(b) 2011	(c) 2012	(d) 2013	(e) 2014	(f) Total
1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received. (Do not include any 'unusual grants.') . . . . .	85,245.	8,042.	23,650.	21,016.	130,861.	268,814.
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 <b>Total.</b> Add lines 1 through 3 . . . . .	85,245.	8,042.	23,650.	21,016.	130,861.	268,814.
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) . . . . .						69,536.
6 <b>Public support.</b> Subtract line 5 from line 4 . . . . .						199,278.

**Section B. Total Support**

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ▶	(a) 2010	(b) 2011	(c) 2012	(d) 2013	(e) 2014	(f) Total
7 Amounts from line 4 . . . . .	85,245.	8,042.	23,650.	21,016.	130,861.	268,814.
8 Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources . . . . .	41.	20.	15.	15.	9.	100.
9 Net income from unrelated business activities, whether or not the business is regularly carried on . . . . .						
10 Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part VI.) . . . . .						
11 <b>Total support.</b> Add lines 7 through 10 . . . . .						268,914.
12 Gross receipts from related activities, etc (see instructions) . . . . .					12	12,674.
13 <b>First five years.</b> 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 <b>stop here</b> . . . . . ▶ <input type="checkbox"/>						

**Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage**

14 Public support percentage for 2014 (line 6, column (f) divided by line 11, column (f)) . . . . .	14	74.10 %
15 Public support percentage from 2013 Schedule A, Part II, line 14 . . . . .	15	85.17 %
16a <b>33-1/3% support test – 2014.</b> If the organization did not check the box on line 13, and the line 14 is 33-1/3% or more, check this box and <b>stop here.</b> The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization . . . . . ▶ <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
b <b>33-1/3% support test – 2013.</b> 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 <b>stop here.</b> The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization . . . . . ▶ <input type="checkbox"/>		
17a <b>10%-facts-and-circumstances test – 2014.</b> 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 <b>stop here.</b> Explain in Part VI how the organization meets the 'facts-and-circumstances' test. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization . . . . . ▶ <input type="checkbox"/>		
b <b>10%-facts-and-circumstances test – 2013.</b> 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 <b>stop here.</b> Explain in Part VI how the organization meets the 'facts-and-circumstances' test. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization . . . . . ▶ <input type="checkbox"/>		
18 <b>Private foundation.</b> If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, 16b, 17a, or 17b, check this box and see instructions . . . . . ▶ <input type="checkbox"/>		



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

(Complete only if you checked the box on line 9 of Part I or if the organization failed to qualify under Part II. If the organization fails to qualify under the tests listed below, please complete Part II.)

**Section A. Public Support**

Calendar year (or fiscal yr beginning in) ▶	(a) 2010	(b) 2011	(c) 2012	(d) 2013	(e) 2014	(f) Total
<b>1</b> Gifts, grants, contributions and membership fees received. (Do not include any 'unusual grants.') . . . . .						
<b>2</b> Gross receipts from admissions, merchandise sold or services performed, or facilities furnished in any activity that is related to the organization's tax-exempt purpose . . . . .						
<b>3</b> Gross receipts from activities that are not an unrelated trade or business under section 513 . . . . .						
<b>4</b> Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf . . . . .						
<b>5</b> The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge. . . . .						
<b>6 Total.</b> Add lines 1 through 5 . . . . .						
<b>7 a</b> Amounts included on lines 1, 2, and 3 received from disqualified persons . . . . .						
<b>b</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 . . . . .						
<b>c</b> Add lines 7a and 7b . . . . .						
<b>8 Public support</b> (Subtract line 7c from line 6.) . . . . .						

**Section B. Total Support**

Calendar year (or fiscal yr beginning in) ▶	(a) 2010	(b) 2011	(c) 2012	(d) 2013	(e) 2014	(f) Total
<b>9</b> Amounts from line 6 . . . . .						
<b>10 a</b> Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources . . . . .						
<b>b</b> Unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 taxes) from businesses acquired after June 30, 1975 . . . . .						
<b>c</b> Add lines 10a and 10b . . . . .						
<b>11</b> Net income from unrelated business activities not included in line 10b, whether or not the business is regularly carried on . . . . .						
<b>12</b> Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part VI.) . . . . .						
<b>13 Total support.</b> (Add lines 9, 10c, 11 and 12.) . . . . .						

**14 First five years.** If the Form 990 is for the organization's first, second, third, fourth, or fifth tax year as a section 501(c)(3) organization, check this box and **stop here** . . . . .

**Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage**

<b>15</b> Public support percentage for 2014 (line 8, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f)) . . . . .	<b>15</b>	%
<b>16</b> Public support percentage from 2013 Schedule A, Part III, line 15. . . . .	<b>16</b>	%

**Section D. Computation of Investment Income Percentage**

<b>17</b> Investment income percentage for <b>2014</b> (line 10c, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f)) . . . . .	<b>17</b>	%
<b>18</b> Investment income percentage from <b>2013</b> Schedule A, Part III, line 17 . . . . .	<b>18</b>	%

**19 a 33-1/3% support tests — 2014.** If the organization did not check the box on line 14, and line 15 is more than 33-1/3%, and line 17 is not more than 33-1/3%, check this box and **stop here**. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization . . . . .

**b 33-1/3% support tests — 2013.** If the organization did not check a box on line 14 or line 19a, and line 16 is more than 33-1/3%, and line 18 is not more than 33-1/3%, check this box and **stop here**. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization . . . . .

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

Part IV Supporting Organizations

(Complete only if you checked a box on line 11 of Part I. If you checked 11a of Part I, complete Sections A and B. If you checked 11b of Part I, complete Sections A and C. If you checked 11c of Part I, complete Sections A, D, and E. If you checked 11d of Part I, complete Sections A and D, and complete Part V.)

Section A. All Supporting Organizations

Table with 3 columns: Question, Yes, No. Rows include questions 1 through 10b regarding supported organizations, such as 'Are all of the organization's supported organizations listed by name...', 'Did the organization have any supported organization that does not have an IRS determination...', etc.



Part IV Supporting Organizations (continued)

Table with 3 columns: Question, Yes, No. Row 11: Has the organization accepted a gift or contribution from any of the following persons? Sub-rows 11a, 11b, 11c.

Section B. Type I Supporting Organizations

Table with 3 columns: Question, Yes, No. Row 1: Did the directors, trustees, or membership of one or more supported organizations have the power to regularly appoint or elect at least a majority of the organization's directors or trustees at all times during the tax year? Row 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?

Section C. Type II Supporting Organizations

Table with 3 columns: Question, Yes, No. Row 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)?

Section D. All Type III Supporting Organizations

Table with 3 columns: Question, Yes, No. Row 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, (1) a written notice describing the type and amount of support provided during the prior tax year, (2) a copy of the Form 990 that was most recently filed as of the date of notification, and (3) copies of the organization's governing documents in effect on the date of notification, to the extent not previously provided? Row 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? Row 3: By reason of the relationship described in (2), did the organization's supported organizations have a significant voice in the organization's investment policies and in directing the use of the organization's income or assets at all times during the tax year?

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 (a) and (b) below.

Table with 3 columns: Question, Yes, No. Row 2a: 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? Row 2b: Did the activities described in (a) constitute activities that, but for the organization's involvement, one or more of the organization's supported organization(s) would have been engaged in? Row 3: Parent of Supported Organizations. Row 3a: 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? Row 3b: Did the organization exercise a substantial degree of direction over the policies, programs, and activities of each of its supported organizations?

**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 November 20, 1970. See instructions. All other Type III non-functionally integrated supporting organizations must complete Sections A through E.

<b>Section A – Adjusted Net Income</b>		(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	<b>Adjusted Net Income</b> (subtract lines 5, 6 and 7 from line 4) . . . . .	8	

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

<b>Section C – Distributable Amount</b>		(A) Prior Year	(B) Current Year
1	Adjusted net income for prior year (from Section A, line 8, Column A) . . . . .	1	Current Year
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	<b>Distributable Amount.</b> 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)*

<b>Section D – Distributions</b>	<b>Current Year</b>
<b>1</b> Amounts paid to supported organizations to accomplish exempt purposes . . . . .	
<b>2</b> Amounts paid to perform activity that directly furthers exempt purposes of supported organizations, in excess of income from activity . . . . .	
<b>3</b> Administrative expenses paid to accomplish exempt purposes of supported organizations . . . . .	
<b>4</b> Amounts paid to acquire exempt-use assets . . . . .	
<b>5</b> Qualified set-aside amounts (prior IRS approval required) . . . . .	
<b>6</b> Other distributions (describe in <b>Part VI</b> ). See instructions . . . . .	
<b>7 Total annual distributions.</b> Add lines 1 through 6 . . . . .	
<b>8</b> Distributions to attentive supported organizations to which the organization is responsive (provide details in <b>Part VI</b> ). See instructions. . . . .	
<b>9</b> Distributable amount for 2014 from Section C, line 6 . . . . .	
<b>10</b> Line 8 amount divided by Line 9 amount . . . . .	

<b>Section E – Distribution Allocations (see instructions)</b>	<b>(i) Excess Distributions</b>	<b>(ii) Underdistributions Pre-2014</b>	<b>(iii) Distributable Amount for 2014</b>
<b>1</b> Distributable amount for 2014 from Section C, line 6 . . . . .			
<b>2</b> Underdistributions, if any, for years prior to 2014 (reasonable cause required – see instructions) . . . . .			
<b>3</b> Excess distributions carryover, if any, to 2014:			
<b>a</b> . . . . .			
<b>b</b> . . . . .			
<b>c</b> . . . . .			
<b>d</b> . . . . .			
<b>e</b> From 2013 . . . . .			
<b>f Total</b> of lines 3a through e . . . . .			
<b>g</b> Applied to underdistributions of prior years . . . . .			
<b>h</b> Applied to 2014 distributable amount . . . . .			
<b>i</b> Carryover from 2009 not applied (see instructions) . . . . .			
<b>j</b> Remainder. Subtract lines 3g, 3h, and 3i from 3f . . . . .			
<b>4</b> Distributions for 2014 from Section D, line 7: \$			
<b>a</b> Applied to underdistributions of prior years . . . . .			
<b>b</b> Applied to 2014 distributable amount . . . . .			
<b>c</b> Remainder. Subtract lines 4a and 4b from 4 . . . . .			
<b>5</b> Remaining underdistributions for years prior to 2014, if any. Subtract lines 3g and 4a from line 2 (if amount greater than zero, see instructions) . . . . .			
<b>6</b> Remaining underdistributions for 2014. Subtract lines 3h and 4b from line 1 (if amount greater than zero, see instructions) . . . . .			
<b>7 Excess distributions carryover to 2015.</b> Add lines 3j and 4c . . . . .			
<b>8</b> Breakdown of line 7:			
<b>a</b> . . . . .			
<b>b</b> . . . . .			
<b>c</b> . . . . .			
<b>d</b> Excess from 2013 . . . . .			
<b>e</b> Excess from 2014 . . . . .			

BAA

**Part VI** **Supplemental Information.** Provide the explanations required by Part II, line 10; Part II, line 17a or 17b; and Part III, line 12. Also complete this part for any additional information. (See instructions).

---

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

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Schedule of Contributors

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

OMB No. 1545-0047

2014

Name of the organization

Stark Mountain Foundation, Inc.

Employer identification number

03-0369897

Organization type (check one):

Filers of:

Form 990 or 990-EZ

Section:

[X] 501(c)( 3 ) (enter number) organization

[ ] 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust not treated as a private foundation

[ ] 527 political organization

Form 990-PF

[ ] 501(c)(3) exempt private foundation

[ ] 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust treated as a private foundation

[ ] 501(c)(3) taxable private foundation

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

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

General Rule

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

Special Rules

[X] For an organization described in section 501(c)(3) filing Form 990 or 990-EZ that met the 33-1/3% support test of the regulations under sections 509(a)(1) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi), that checked Schedule A (Form 990 or 990-EZ), Part II, line 13, 16a, or 16b, and that received from any one contributor, during the year, total contributions of the greater of (1) \$5,000 or (2) 2% of the amount on (i) Form 990, Part VIII, line 1h, or (ii) Form 990-EZ, line 1. Complete Parts I and II.

[ ] For an organization described in section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) filing Form 990 or 990-EZ that received from any one contributor, during the year, total contributions of more than \$1,000 exclusively for religious, charitable, scientific, literary, or educational purposes, or for the prevention of cruelty to children or animals. Complete Parts I, II, and III.

[ ] For an organization described in section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) filing Form 990 or 990-EZ that received from any one contributor, during the year, contributions exclusively for religious, charitable, etc., purposes, but no such contributions totaled more than \$1,000. If this box is checked, enter here the total contributions that were received during the year for an exclusively religious, charitable, etc., purpose. Do not complete any of the parts unless the General Rule applies to this organization because it received nonexclusively religious, charitable, etc., contributions totaling \$5,000 or more during the year . . . . . \$

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

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

Schedule B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF) (2014)

Name of organization Stark Mountain Foundation, Inc.	Employer identification number 03-0369897
---	--

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

(a) Number	(b) Name, address, and ZIP + 4	(c) Total contributions	(d) Type of contribution
1	Colleen & Lars Bruns PO Box 1451 Waitsfield VT 05673	\$ 12,558.	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
2	General Electric Foundation 3135 Easton Turnpike Fairfield CT 06828	\$ 12,558.	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
3	James & Kathy Elkind 23 Slough Road Harvard MA 01451	\$ 30,172.	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
4	John & Carol Eberlein 2 Nottingham Lane Weston MA 02493-1344	\$ 5,000.	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
5	Penelope Parson PO Box 633 Waitsfield VT 05673	\$ 12,748.	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
6	John Tobin 30 Cheney Pond Road Medfield MA 02052	\$ 5,122.	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)



Name of organization Stark Mountain Foundation, Inc.	Employer identification number 03-0369897
---	--

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

(a) Number	(b) Name, address, and ZIP + 4	(c) Total contributions	(d) Type of contribution
7	Mad River Glen Cooperative PO Box 1089 Waitsfield VT 05673	\$ 10,313.	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
---	-----	\$ -----	Person <input type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
---	-----	\$ -----	Person <input type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
---	-----	\$ -----	Person <input type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
---	-----	\$ -----	Person <input type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
---	-----	\$ -----	Person <input type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
---	-----	\$ -----	Person <input type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)

Name of organization Stark Mountain Foundation, Inc.	Employer identification number 03-0369897
---	--

**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
1	500 shares of General Electric Co. ----- ----- -----	\$ 12,558.	12/17/14
3	124 shares of S&P 500 ETF Trust (Plus \$ 5,000 Cash) ----- ----- -----	\$ 25,172.	01/13/15
5	81 shares of Verisk Analytics Inc ----- ----- -----	\$ 5,073.	12/22/14
5	80 shares of American Tower Corp ----- ----- -----	\$ 7,675.	04/20/15
6	31 shares of 3M ----- ----- -----	\$ 5,122.	12/26/14
-----	----- ----- -----	\$ -----	-----

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

**Supplemental Information to Form 990 or 990-EZ**

OMB No. 1545-0047

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

**2014**

▶ Attach to Form 990 or 990-EZ.

▶ Information about Schedule O (Form 990 or 990-EZ) and its instructions is  
at [www.irs.gov/form990](http://www.irs.gov/form990).

**Open to Public  
Inspection**

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

Name of the organization

Employer identification number

Stark Mountain Foundation, Inc.

03-0369897

Other	Form 990-EZ, Part I, Line 10 - See attached schedule for "Grants and similar amounts"
Other	Form 990-EZ, Part I, Line 16 - See attached schedule for "Other expenses"
Other	Form 990-EZ, Part II, Line 24 - See attached schedule for "Other assets"

Schedule O (Form 990 or 990-EZ), Supplemental Information to Form 990 or 990-EZ  
**Form 990-EZ, Part I, Line 16 Other Expenses**

Other expenses (describe in Schedule O)

Advertising & promotion	1,536.
Information technology	1,815.
Miscellaneous	167.
<b>Total</b>	<b>3,518.</b>

Schedule O (Form 990 or 990-EZ), Supplemental Information to Form 990 or 990-EZ  
**Form 990-EZ, Part I, Line 10 Grants and Similar Amounts Paid**

Purpose of Payment . . . . . Preserve Our Paradise Campaign planning for future sustainable recreation

Class of Activity	Grantee's Name and Address	Grantee's Relationship	Amount Given
Conservation, Preservation & Education	Business . . . . <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Person . . . . . <input type="checkbox"/> Mad River Glen Cooperative PO Box 1089 Waitsfield VT 05673	None	95,450.

If property other than cash was given, the following additional information needs to be provided:

Description of Property . \_\_\_\_\_  
Date of Gift . . . . . \_\_\_\_\_

Book Value	How Book Value Determined
FMV	How FMV Determined

Purpose of Payment . . . . . Trail work, nature center, kiosk, trail maps

Class of Activity	Grantee's Name and Address	Grantee's Relationship	Amount Given
Conservation & Historic Preservation	Business . . . . <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Person . . . . . <input type="checkbox"/> Mad River Glen Cooperative PO Box 1089 Waitsfield VT 05673	None	15,031.

If property other than cash was given, the following additional information needs to be provided:

Description of Property . \_\_\_\_\_  
Date of Gift . . . . . \_\_\_\_\_

Book Value	How Book Value Determined
FMV	How FMV Determined

Schedule O (Form 990 or 990-EZ), Supplemental Information to Form 990 or 990-EZ  
**Form 990-EZ, Part I, Line 10 Grants and Similar Amounts Paid**

Continued

Purpose of Payment . . . . . Trail maintenance

Class of Activity	Grantee's Name and Address	Grantee's Relationship	Amount Given
<u>Conservation</u>	Business . . . . <input type="checkbox"/> Person . . . . . <input type="checkbox"/>		
			500.

If property other than cash was given, the following additional information needs to be provided:

Description of Property . \_\_\_\_\_  
 Date of Gift . . . . . \_\_\_\_\_

Book Value	How Book Value Determined
FMV	How FMV Determined

Schedule O (Form 990 or 990-EZ), Supplemental Information to Form 990 or 990-EZ  
**Form 990-EZ, Page 1, Part II, Line 24**

<b>Line 24 - Other Assets:</b>	<b>Beginning of Year</b>	<b>End of Year</b>
<u>Beneficial interest</u>		10,000.
<b>Total</b>		<u>10,000.</u>

Form **8868**

(Rev January 2014)

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

**Application for Extension of Time To File an  
Exempt Organization Return**

▶ **File a separate application for each return.**

▶ **Information about Form 8868 and its instructions is at [www.irs.gov/form8868](http://www.irs.gov/form8868).**

OMB No. 1545-1709

- If you are filing for an **Automatic 3-Month Extension**, complete only **Part I** and check this box
- If you are filing for an **Additional (Not Automatic) 3-Month Extension**, complete only **Part II** (on page 2 of this form).

**Do not complete Part II unless** you have already been granted an automatic 3-month extension on a previously filed Form 8868.

**Electronic filing (e-file).** You can electronically file Form 8868 if you need a 3-month automatic extension of time to file (6 months for a corporation required to file Form 990-T), or an additional (not automatic) 3-month extension of time. You can electronically file Form 8868 to request an extension of time to file any of the forms listed in Part I or Part II with the exception of Form 8870, Information Return for Transfers Associated With Certain Personal Benefit Contracts, which must be sent to the IRS in paper format (see instructions). For more details on the electronic filing of this form, visit [www.irs.gov/efile](http://www.irs.gov/efile) and click on *e-file for Charities & Nonprofits*.

**Part I Automatic 3-Month Extension of Time. Only submit original (no copies needed).**

A corporation required to file Form 990-T and requesting an automatic 6-month extension — check this box and complete Part I only

*All other corporations (including 1120-C filers), partnerships, REMICs, and trusts must use Form 7004 to request an extension of time to file income tax returns.*

**Enter filer's identifying number, see instructions**

<b>Type or print</b>	Name of exempt organization or other filer, see instructions. <u>Stark Mountain Foundation, Inc.</u>	Employer identification number (EIN) or <u>03-0369897</u>
	File by the due date for filing your return. See instructions. Number, street, and room or suite number. If a P.O. box, see instructions. <u>P.O. Box 1221</u>	Social security number (SSN)
	City, town or post office, state, and ZIP code. For a foreign address, see instructions. <u>Waitsfield VT 05673</u>	

Enter the Return code for the return that this application is for (file a separate application for each return)  01

Application Is For	Return Code	Application Is For	Return Code
Form 990 or Form 990-EZ	01	Form 990-T (corporation)	07
Form 990-BL	02	Form 1041-A	08
Form 4720 (individual)	03	Form 4720 (other than individual)	09
Form 990-PF	04	Form 5227	10
Form 990-T (section 401(a) or 408(a) trust)	05	Form 6069	11
Form 990-T (trust other than above)	06	Form 8870	12

- The books are in the care of ▶ Penelope G. Parson -----

Telephone No. ▶ (802) 496-8922 ----- Fax No. ▶ (802) 496-7894 -----

- If the organization does not have an office or place of business in the United States, check this box
- If this is for a Group Return, enter the organization's four digit Group Exemption Number (GEN) \_\_\_\_\_. If this is for the whole group, check this box . If it is for part of the group, check this box  and attach a list with the names and EINs of all members the extension is for.

**1** I request an automatic 3-month (6 months for a corporation required to file Form 990-T) extension of time until May 16, 20 16, to file the exempt organization return for the organization named above.

The extension is for the organization's return for:

- ▶  calendar year 20 \_\_\_\_ or
- ▶  tax year beginning Oct 1, 20 14, and ending Sep 30, 20 15.

**2** If the tax year entered in line 1 is for less than 12 months, check reason:  Initial return  Final return  Change in accounting period

<b>3 a</b> If this application is for Forms 990-BL, 990-PF, 990-T, 4720, or 6069, enter the tentative tax, less any nonrefundable credits. See instructions . . . . .	<b>3 a</b>	\$	0.
<b>b</b> If this application is for Forms 990-PF, 990-T, 4720, or 6069, enter any refundable credits and estimated tax payments made. Include any prior year overpayment allowed as a credit . . . . .	<b>3 b</b>	\$	0.
<b>c Balance due.</b> Subtract line 3b from line 3a. Include your payment with this form, if required, by using EFTPS (Electronic Federal Tax Payment System). See instructions. . . . .	<b>3 c</b>	\$	0.

**Caution.** If you are going to make an electronic funds withdrawal (direct debit) with this Form 8868, see Form 8453-EO and Form 8879-EO for payment instructions.

**BAA For Privacy Act and Paperwork Reduction Act Notice, see instructions.**

Form **8868** (Rev 1-2014)