

Return of Private Foundation

OMB No 1545-0052

Form 990-PF

Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service

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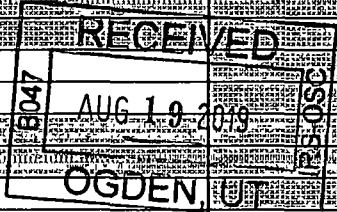
2018

Open to Public Inspection

For calendar year 2018 or tax year beginning , and ending

Name of foundation THE SKYLARK FOUNDATION
A Employer identification number 36-7055540
B Telephone number 312-505-5377
C If exemption application is pending, check here
D 1. Foreign organizations, check here
D 2. Foreign organizations meeting the 85% test, check here and attach computation
E If private foundation status was terminated under section 507(b)(1)(A), check here
F If the foundation is in a 60-month termination under section 507(b)(1)(B), check here
G Check all that apply: Initial return, Final return, Address change, Initial return of a former public charity, Amended return, Name change
H Check type of organization: Section 501(c)(3) exempt private foundation
I Fair market value of all assets at end of year \$ 255,037
J Accounting method: Cash

Table with 5 columns: (a) Revenue and expenses per books, (b) Net investment income, (c) Adjusted net income, (d) Disbursements for charitable purposes. Rows include Contributions, gifts, grants, etc., received (185,192), Dividends and interest from securities (13,796), Total operating and administrative expenses (93,427), and Adjusted net income (N/A).



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Part II Balance Sheets		Attached schedules and amounts in the description column should be for end-of-year amounts only		
		Beginning of year	End of year	
		(a) Book Value	(b) Book Value	(c) Fair Market Value
Assets	1 Cash - non-interest-bearing	141,856.	12,573.	12,573.
	2 Savings and temporary cash investments			
	3 Accounts receivable ▶			
	Less: allowance for doubtful accounts ▶			
	4 Pledges receivable ▶			
	Less: allowance for doubtful accounts ▶			
	5 Grants receivable			
	6 Receivables due from officers, directors, trustees, and other disqualified persons			
	7 Other notes and loans receivable ▶			
	Less: allowance for doubtful accounts ▶			
	8 Inventories for sale or use			
	9 Prepaid expenses and deferred charges			
	10a Investments - U.S. and state government obligations			
	b Investments - corporate stock			
	c Investments - corporate bonds			
	11 Investments - land, buildings, and equipment basis ▶			
Less accumulated depreciation ▶				
12 Investments - mortgage loans				
13 Investments - other	STMT 5	502,904.	259,057.	216,224.
14 Land, buildings, and equipment: basis ▶				
Less accumulated depreciation ▶				
15 Other assets (describe ▶ STATEMENT 6)		26,281.	26,240.	26,240.
16 Total assets (to be completed by all filers - see the instructions. Also, see page 1, item I)		671,041.	297,870.	255,037.
Liabilities	17 Accounts payable and accrued expenses			
	18 Grants payable			
	19 Deferred revenue			
	20 Loans from officers, directors, trustees, and other disqualified persons			
	21 Mortgages and other notes payable		400,000.	
	22 Other liabilities (describe ▶ OTHER PAYABLE)		1,500.	1,500.
	23 Total liabilities (add lines 17 through 22)		401,500.	1,500.
Net Assets or Fund Balances	Foundations that follow SFAS 117, check here and complete lines 24 through 26, and lines 30 and 31. ▶ <input type="checkbox"/>			
	24 Unrestricted			
	25 Temporarily restricted			
	26 Permanently restricted			
	Foundations that do not follow SFAS 117, check here and complete lines 27 through 31 ▶ <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
	27 Capital stock, trust principal, or current funds		0.	0.
	28 Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, bldg., and equipment fund		0.	0.
	29 Retained earnings, accumulated income, endowment, or other funds		269,541.	296,370.
30 Total net assets or fund balances		269,541.	296,370.	
31 Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances		671,041.	297,870.	

Part III Analysis of Changes in Net Assets or Fund Balances

1 Total net assets or fund balances at beginning of year - Part II, column (a), line 30 (must agree with end-of-year figure reported on prior year's return)	1	269,541.
2 Enter amount from Part I, line 27a	2	26,829.
3 Other increases not included in line 2 (itemize) ▶	3	0.
4 Add lines 1, 2, and 3	4	296,370.
5 Decreases not included in line 2 (itemize) ▶	5	0.
6 Total net assets or fund balances at end of year (line 4 minus line 5) - Part II, column (b), line 30	6	296,370.

Part VII A Statements Regarding Activities (continued)

11 At any time during the year, did the foundation, directly or indirectly, own a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? If "Yes," attach schedule. See instructions. 12 Did the foundation make a distribution to a donor advised fund over which the foundation or a disqualified person had advisory privileges? If "Yes," attach statement. See instructions. 13 Did the foundation comply with the public inspection requirements for its annual returns and exemption application? Website address N/A. 14 The books are in care of MARC L. BERMAN Telephone no. 312-397-1802 Located at 180 E. PEARSON STREET, #5604, CHICAGO, IL ZIP+4 60611. 15 Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts filing Form 990-PF in lieu of Form 1041 - check here and enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the year 15 N/A. 16 At any time during calendar year 2018, did the foundation have an interest in or a signature or other authority over a bank, securities, or other financial account in a foreign country? See the instructions for exceptions and filing requirements for FinCEN Form 114. If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country.

Part VII B Statements Regarding Activities for Which Form 4720 May Be Required

File Form 4720 if any item is checked in the "Yes" column, unless an exception applies.

1a During the year, did the foundation (either directly or indirectly): (1) Engage in the sale or exchange, or leasing of property with a disqualified person? (2) Borrow money from, lend money to, or otherwise extend credit to (or accept it from) a disqualified person? (3) Furnish goods, services, or facilities to (or accept them from) a disqualified person? (4) Pay compensation to, or pay or reimburse the expenses of, a disqualified person? (5) Transfer any income or assets to a disqualified person (or make any of either available for the benefit or use of a disqualified person)? (6) Agree to pay money or property to a government official? (Exception Check "No" if the foundation agreed to make a grant to or to employ the official for a period after termination of government service, if terminating within 90 days.) b If any answer is "Yes" to 1a(1)-(6), did any of the acts fail to qualify under the exceptions described in Regulations section 53.4941(d)-3 or in a current notice regarding disaster assistance? See instructions Organizations relying on a current notice regarding disaster assistance, check here. c Did the foundation engage in a prior year in any of the acts described in 1a, other than excepted acts, that were not corrected before the first day of the tax year beginning in 2018? 2 Taxes on failure to distribute income (section 4942) (does not apply for years the foundation was a private operating foundation defined in section 4942(j)(3) or 4942(j)(5)): a At the end of tax year 2018, did the foundation have any undistributed income (lines 6d and 6e, Part XIII) for tax year(s) beginning before 2018? b Are there any years listed in 2a for which the foundation is not applying the provisions of section 4942(a)(2) (relating to incorrect valuation of assets) to the year's undistributed income? (If applying section 4942(a)(2) to all years listed, answer "No" and attach statement - see instructions.) c If the provisions of section 4942(a)(2) are being applied to any of the years listed in 2a, list the years here. 3a Did the foundation hold more than a 2% direct or indirect interest in any business enterprise at any time during the year? b If "Yes," did it have excess business holdings in 2018 as a result of (1) any purchase by the foundation or disqualified persons after May 26, 1969; (2) the lapse of the 5-year period (or longer period approved by the Commissioner under section 4943(c)(7)) to dispose of holdings acquired by gift or bequest; or (3) the lapse of the 10-, 15-, or 20-year first phase holding period? (Use Schedule C, Form 4720, to determine if the foundation had excess business holdings in 2018) 4a Did the foundation invest during the year any amount in a manner that would jeopardize its charitable purposes? b Did the foundation make any investment in a prior year (but after December 31, 1969) that could jeopardize its charitable purpose that had not been removed from jeopardy before the first day of the tax year beginning in 2018?

Part VII B Statements Regarding Activities for Which Form 4720 May Be Required (continued)

5a During the year, did the foundation pay or incur any amount to:

- (1) Carry on propaganda, or otherwise attempt to influence legislation (section 4945(e))? Yes No
- (2) Influence the outcome of any specific public election (see section 4955), or to carry on, directly or indirectly, any voter registration drive? Yes No
- (3) Provide a grant to an individual for travel, study, or other similar purposes? Yes No
- (4) Provide a grant to an organization other than a charitable, etc., organization described in section 4945(d)(4)(A)? See instructions Yes No
- (5) Provide for any purpose other than religious, charitable, scientific, literary, or educational purposes, or for the prevention of cruelty to children or animals? Yes No

b If any answer is "Yes" to 5a(1)-(5), did any of the transactions fail to qualify under the exceptions described in Regulations section 53.4945 or in a current notice regarding disaster assistance? See instructions Yes No

Organizations relying on a current notice regarding disaster assistance, check here

c If the answer is "Yes" to question 5a(4), does the foundation claim exemption from the tax because it maintained expenditure responsibility for the grant? Yes No

If "Yes," attach the statement required by Regulations section 53.4945-5(d). N/A

6a Did the foundation, during the year, receive any funds, directly or indirectly, to pay premiums on a personal benefit contract? Yes No

b Did the foundation, during the year, pay premiums, directly or indirectly, on a personal benefit contract? Yes No
If "Yes" to 6b, file Form 8870.

7a At any time during the tax year, was the foundation a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction? Yes No

b If "Yes," did the foundation receive any proceeds or have any net income attributable to the transaction? Yes No

8 Is the foundation subject to the section 4960 tax on payment(s) of more than \$1,000,000 in remuneration or excess parachute payment(s) during the year? Yes No

	Yes	No
5a		
5b		
6a		
6b		X
7a		
7b		
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Part VIII Information About Officers, Directors, Trustees, Foundation Managers, Highly Paid Employees, and Contractors

1 List all officers, directors, trustees, and foundation managers and their compensation.

(a) Name and address	(b) Title, and average hours per week devoted to position	(c) Compensation (If not paid, enter -0-)	(d) Contributions to employee benefit plans and deferred compensation	(e) Expense account, other allowances
MARC BERMAN 180 E. PEARSON STREET, #5604 CHICAGO, IL 60611	SOLE TRUSTEE 2.00	0.	0.	0.

2 Compensation of five highest-paid employees (other than those included on line 1). If none, enter "NONE."

(a) Name and address of each employee paid more than \$50,000	(b) Title, and average hours per week devoted to position	(c) Compensation	(d) Contributions to employee benefit plans and deferred compensation	(e) Expense account, other allowances
NONE				

Total number of other employees paid over \$50,000 0

Part XIV Private Operating Foundations (see instructions and Part VII-A, question 9) N/A

- 1 a If the foundation has received a ruling or determination letter that it is a private operating foundation, and the ruling is effective for 2018, enter the date of the ruling ▶
- b Check box to indicate whether the foundation is a private operating foundation described in section 4942(j)(3) or 4942(j)(5)

	Tax year				(e) Total
	(a) 2018	(b) 2017	(c) 2016	(d) 2015	
2 a Enter the lesser of the adjusted net income from Part I or the minimum investment return from Part X for each year listed					/
b 85% of line 2a					
c Qualifying distributions from Part XII, line 4 for each year listed					
d Amounts included in line 2c not used directly for active conduct of exempt activities					
e Qualifying distributions made directly for active conduct of exempt activities.					
3 Subtract line 2d from line 2c					
Complete 3a, b, or c for the alternative test relied upon:					
a "Assets" alternative test - enter:					
(1) Value of all assets					
(2) Value of assets qualifying under section 4942(j)(3)(B)(i)					
b "Endowment" alternative test - enter 2/3 of minimum investment return shown in Part X, line 6 for each year listed					
c "Support" alternative test - enter:					
(1) Total support other than gross investment income (interest, dividends, rents, payments on securities loans (section 512(a)(5)), or royalties)					
(2) Support from general public and 5 or more exempt organizations as provided in section 4942(j)(3)(B)(iii)					
(3) Largest amount of support from an exempt organization					
(4) Gross investment income					

Part XV Supplementary Information (Complete this part only if the foundation had \$5,000 or more in assets at any time during the year-see instructions.)

- 1 **Information Regarding Foundation Managers:**
- a List any managers of the foundation who have contributed more than 2% of the total contributions received by the foundation before the close of any tax year (but only if they have contributed more than \$5,000). (See section 507(d)(2).)

MARC BERMAN

- b List any managers of the foundation who own 10% or more of the stock of a corporation (or an equally large portion of the ownership of a partnership or other entity) of which the foundation has a 10% or greater interest.

NONE

- 2 **Information Regarding Contribution, Grant, Gift, Loan, Scholarship, etc., Programs:**
- Check here if the foundation only makes contributions to preselected charitable organizations and does not accept unsolicited requests for funds. If the foundation makes gifts, grants, etc., to individuals or organizations under other conditions, complete items 2a, b, c, and d

- a The name, address, and telephone number or email address of the person to whom applications should be addressed:
- b The form in which applications should be submitted and information and materials they should include:
- c Any submission deadlines:
- d Any restrictions or limitations on awards, such as by geographical areas, charitable fields, kinds of institutions, or other factors.

Part XV Supplementary Information (continued)

3 Grants and Contributions Paid During the Year or Approved for Future Payment				
Recipient	If recipient is an individual, show any relationship to any foundation manager or substantial contributor	Foundation status of recipient	Purpose of grant or contribution	Amount
Name and address (home or business)				
a Paid during the year				
JEWISH UNITED FUND 30 S. WELLS STREET CHICAGO, IL 60606	NONE	PUBLIC	CHARITABLE	77,000.
Total				77,000.
b Approved for future payment				
NONE				
Total				0.

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

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Name of the organization

THE SKYLARK FOUNDATION

Employer identification number

36-7055540

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

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 501(c)(3) exempt private foundation 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust treated as a private foundation 501(c)(3) taxable private foundationCheck if your organization is covered by the **General Rule** or a **Special Rule**.**Note:** Only a section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) organization can check boxes for both the General Rule and a Special Rule. See instructions.**General Rule**

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

Special Rules

- For an organization described in section 501(c)(3) filing Form 990 or 990-EZ that met the 33 1/3% support test of the regulations under sections 509(a)(1) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi), that checked Schedule A (Form 990 or 990-EZ), Part II, line 13, 16a, or 16b, and that received from any one contributor, during the year, total contributions of the greater of (1) \$5,000, or (2) 2% of the amount on (i) Form 990, Part VIII, line 1h, or (ii) Form 990-EZ, line 1. Complete Parts I and II.
- For an organization described in section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) filing Form 990 or 990-EZ that received from any one contributor, during the year, total contributions of more than \$1,000 *exclusively* for religious, charitable, scientific, literary, or educational purposes, or for the prevention of cruelty to children or animals. Complete Parts I (entering "N/A" in column (b) instead of the contributor name and address), 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 990-PF, Part I, line 2, to certify that it doesn't meet the filing requirements of Schedule B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF).

Name of organization THE SKYLARK FOUNDATION	Employer identification number 36-705540
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Part I **Contributors** (see instructions) Use duplicate copies of Part I if additional space is needed

(a) No.	(b) Name, address, and ZIP + 4	(c) Total contributions	(d) Type of contribution
1	MARC BERMAN <hr/> 180 E. PEARSON STREET, APT. 5604 <hr/> CHICAGO, IL 60611	\$ <u>113,085.</u>	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions)
2	MARC BERMAN <hr/> 180 E. PEARSON STREET, APT. 5604 <hr/> CHICAGO, IL 60611	\$ <u>72,107.</u>	Person <input type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions)
	<hr/> <hr/> <hr/>	\$ _____	Person <input type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions)
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Name of organization THE SKYLARK FOUNDATION	Employer identification number 36-7055540
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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 info once) ▶ \$ _____
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

FORM 990-PF	OTHER EXPENSES			STATEMENT	4
DESCRIPTION	(A) EXPENSES PER BOOKS	(B) NET INVEST- MENT INCOME	(C) ADJUSTED NET INCOME	(D) CHARITABLE PURPOSES	
INVESTMENT FEES	2,857.	2,857.			0.
TO FORM 990-PF, PG 1, LN 23	2,857.	2,857.			0.

FORM 990-PF	OTHER INVESTMENTS		STATEMENT	5
DESCRIPTION	VALUATION METHOD	BOOK VALUE	FAIR MARKET VALUE	
TD AMERITRADE	COST	259,057.	216,224.	
TOTAL TO FORM 990-PF, PART II, LINE 13		259,057.	216,224.	

FORM 990-PF	OTHER ASSETS		STATEMENT	6
DESCRIPTION	BEGINNING OF YR BOOK VALUE	END OF YEAR BOOK VALUE	FAIR MARKET VALUE	
OTHER RECEIVABLE	25,000.	25,000.	25,000.	
ACCRUED TREASURY INTEREST PAID	1,281.	1,240.	1,240.	
TO FORM 990-PF, PART II, LINE 15	26,281.	26,240.	26,240.	

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LIST OF SUBSTANTIAL CONTRIBUTORS
PART VII-A, LINE 10

STATEMENT 7

NAME OF CONTRIBUTOR

ADDRESS

MARC L. BERMAN

180 E. PEARSON STREET, #5604
CHICAGO, IL 60611