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Form **990**

# Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

OMB No 1545-0047

# 2014

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

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

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**A** For the 2014 calendar year, or tax year beginning and ending

<b>B</b> Check if applicable: <input type="checkbox"/> Address change <input type="checkbox"/> Name change <input type="checkbox"/> Initial return <input type="checkbox"/> Final return/terminated <input type="checkbox"/> Amended return <input type="checkbox"/> Application pending	<b>C</b> Name of organization HIGH MEADOWS FUND, INC.		<b>D</b> Employer identification number 20-0288123
	Doing business as		
	Number and street (or P.O. box if mail is not delivered to street address) Room/suite C/O VERMONT COMMUNITY FOUNDATION, 3 COURT ST.		<b>E</b> Telephone number 802-388-3355
	City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code MIDDLEBURY, VT 05753		
	<b>F</b> Name and address of principal officer. CARL FERENBACH SAME AS C ABOVE		

**I** Tax-exempt status:  501(c)(3)  501(c) ( ) (insert no.)  4947(a)(1) or  527

**J** Website: WWW.HIGHMEADOWSFUND.ORG

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

**L** Year of formation: 2003 **M** State of legal domicile: VT

## Part I Summary

<b>Activities &amp; Governance</b>	<b>1</b> Briefly describe the organization's mission or most significant activities: THE HIGH MEADOWS FUND PROMOTES A HEALTHY NATURAL ENVIRONMENT WHILE ENCOURAGING LONG-TERM ECONOMIC		
	<b>2</b> Check this box <input type="checkbox"/> if the organization discontinued its operations or disposed of more than 25% of its net assets.		
	<b>3</b> Number of voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1a)	3	7
	<b>4</b> Number of independent voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1b)	4	6
	<b>5</b> Total number of individuals employed in calendar year 2014 (Part V, line 2a)	5	3
	<b>6</b> Total number of volunteers (estimate if necessary)	6	6
	<b>7a</b> Total unrelated business revenue from Part VIII, column (C), line 12	7a	0.
<b>7b</b> Net unrelated business taxable income from Form 990-T, line 34	7b	0.	

		Prior Year	Current Year
<b>Revenue</b>	<b>8</b> Contributions and grants (Part VIII, line 1h)	515,300.	500,000.
	<b>9</b> Program service revenue (Part VIII, line 2g)	0.	0.
	<b>10</b> Investment income (Part VIII, column (A), lines 3, 4, and 7d)	554,020.	910,910.
	<b>11</b> Other revenue (Part VIII, column (A), lines 5, 6d, 8c, 9c, 10c, and 11e)	0.	0.
	<b>12</b> Total revenue - add lines 8 through 11 (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	1,069,320.	1,410,910.
<b>Expenses</b>	<b>13</b> Grants and similar amounts paid (Part IX, column (A), lines 1-3)	1,232,030.	852,017.
	<b>14</b> Benefits paid to or for members (Part IX, column (A), line 4)	0.	0.
	<b>15</b> Salaries, other compensation, employee benefits (Part IX, column (A), lines 5-10)	199,211.	202,267.
	<b>16a</b> Professional fundraising fees (Part IX, column (A), line 11e)	0.	0.
	<b>b</b> Total fundraising expenses (Part IX, column (D), line 25)	0.	0.
<b>17</b> Other expenses (Part IX, column (A), lines 11a-11d, 11f-24e)	309,085.	357,559.	
<b>18</b> Total expenses. Add lines 13-17 (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	1,740,326.	1,411,843.	
<b>19</b> Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 18 from line 12	<671,006.>	<933.>	

		Beginning of Current Year	End of Year
<b>Net Assets or Fund Balances</b>	<b>20</b> Total assets (Part X, line 16)	18,945,705.	19,045,897.
	<b>21</b> Total liabilities (Part X, line 26)	445,229.	534,082.
	<b>22</b> Net assets or fund balances. Subtract line 21 from line 20	18,500,476.	18,511,815.

## Part II Signature Block

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

**Sign Here**

Signature of officer: *Emilye Pelow Corbett* Date: 11-12-15

EMILYE PELOW CORBETT, SECRETARY/TREASURER

**Paid Preparer Use Only**

Print/Type preparer's name: MARY KAY CURTISS  
 Preparer's signature: *Mary Kay Curtiss*  
 Date: 11/5/15  
 Check if self-employed:  PTIN: P10551484

Firm's name: BLUM, SHAPIRO & COMPANY, P.C., CPA'S  
 Firm's address: 29 S. MAIN STREET, P.O. BOX 272000, WEST HARTFORD, CT 06127-2000  
 Firm's EIN: 06-1009205  
 Phone no.: 860-561-4000

May the IRS discuss this return with the preparer shown above? (see instructions)  Yes  No

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Part III Statement of Program Service Accomplishments

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

Input box for Schedule O check

1 Briefly describe the organization's mission:

THE HIGH MEADOWS FUND PROMOTES A HEALTHY NATURAL ENVIRONMENT WHILE ENCOURAGING LONG-TERM ECONOMIC VITALITY IN VERMONT.

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 (X) 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 (X) 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 \$ 1,022,949. including grants of \$ 852,017. ) (Revenue \$ )

GRANTMAKING - HIGH MEADOWS FUND, INC. MAKES GRANTS TO VARIOUS ORGANIZATIONS FOR CHARITABLE, EDUCATIONAL AND SCIENTIFIC PURPOSES WITH AN EMPHASIS ON PROMOTING VIBRANT COMMUNITIES AND A HEALTHY NATURAL ENVIRONMENT WHILE ENCOURAGING LONG-TERM ECONOMIC VITALITY IN VERMONT.

4b (Code ) (Expenses \$ 63,601. including grants of \$ ) (Revenue \$ )

RESEARCH - HIGH MEADOWS FUND, INC. OCCASIONALLY RETAINS CONTRACTORS AND CONSULTANTS TO UNDERTAKE RESEARCH ON TOPICS RELATED TO ITS MISSION, FOR EXAMPLE, TO BETTER UNDERSTAND THE BARRIERS TO IMPROVING THE ENERGY EFFICIENCY OF HOMES OR MARKETS FOR HIGHLY ENERGY EFFICIENT HOMES.

4c (Code ) (Expenses \$ 1,073. including grants of \$ ) (Revenue \$ )

CONVENING FOCUS GROUPS - HIGH MEADOWS FUND, INC. CONVENES STAKEHOLDERS TO COORDINATE SERVICES AND SHARE LEARNING. FOR EXAMPLE, THE FUND HAS CONVENED SEVERAL MEETINGS ATTENDED BY A CROSS SECTION OF STAKEHOLDERS INVOLVED IN TRANSPORTATION INITIATIVES ACROSS VERMONT, WITH THE GOAL BEING TO IMPROVE COLLABORATION AMONG GROUPS THAT CAN HELP LOWER GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS.

4d Other program services (Describe in Schedule O)

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

4e Total program service expenses 1,087,623.

**Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules**

	Yes	No
1 Is the organization described in section 501(c)(3) or 4947(a)(1) (other than a private foundation)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule A</i>	x	
2 Is the organization required to complete <i>Schedule B, Schedule of Contributors</i> ?	x	
3 Did the organization engage in direct or indirect political campaign activities on behalf of or in opposition to candidates for public office? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part I</i>		x
4 <b>Section 501(c)(3) organizations.</b> Did the organization engage in lobbying activities, or have a section 501(h) election in effect during the tax year? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part II</i>	x	
5 Is the organization a section 501(c)(4), 501(c)(5), or 501(c)(6) organization that receives membership dues, assessments, or similar amounts as defined in Revenue Procedure 98-19? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part III</i>		x
6 Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds or any similar funds or accounts for which donors have the right to provide advice on the distribution or investment of amounts in such funds or accounts? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part I</i>		x
7 Did the organization receive or hold a conservation easement, including easements to preserve open space, the environment, historic land areas, or historic structures? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part II</i>		x
8 Did the organization maintain collections of works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part III</i>		x
9 Did the organization report an amount in Part X, line 21, for escrow or custodial account liability; serve as a custodian for amounts not listed in Part X, or provide credit counseling, debt management, credit repair, or debt negotiation services? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part IV</i>		x
10 Did the organization, directly or through a related organization, hold assets in temporarily restricted endowments, permanent endowments, or quasi-endowments? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part V</i>	x	
11 If the organization's answer to any of the following questions is "Yes," then complete Schedule D, Parts VI, VII, VIII, IX, or X as applicable.		
a Did the organization report an amount for land, buildings, and equipment in Part X, line 10? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VI</i>	x	
b Did the organization report an amount for investments - other securities in Part X, line 12 that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VII</i>	x	
c Did the organization report an amount for investments - program related in Part X, line 13 that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VIII</i>	x	
d Did the organization report an amount for other assets in Part X, line 15 that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part IX</i>		x
e Did the organization report an amount for other liabilities in Part X, line 25? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X</i>		x
f Did the organization's separate or consolidated financial statements for the tax year include a footnote that addresses the organization's liability for uncertain tax positions under FIN 48 (ASC 740)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X</i>		x
12a Did the organization obtain separate, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Parts XI and XII</i>		x
b Was the organization included in consolidated, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? <i>If "Yes," and if the organization answered "No" to line 12a, then completing Schedule D, Parts XI and XII is optional</i>	x	
13 Is the organization a school described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule E</i>		x
14a Did the organization maintain an office, employees, or agents outside of the United States?		x
b Did the organization have aggregate revenues or expenses of more than \$10,000 from grantmaking, fundraising, business, investment, and program service activities outside the United States, or aggregate foreign investments valued at \$100,000 or more? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts I and IV</i>		x
15 Did the organization report on Part IX, column (A), line 3, more than \$5,000 of grants or other assistance to or for any foreign organization? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts II and IV</i>		x
16 Did the organization report on Part IX, column (A), line 3, more than \$5,000 of aggregate grants or other assistance to or for foreign individuals? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts III and IV</i>		x
17 Did the organization report a total of more than \$15,000 of expenses for professional fundraising services on Part IX, column (A), lines 6 and 11e? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part I</i>		x
18 Did the organization report more than \$15,000 total of fundraising event gross income and contributions on Part VIII, lines 1c and 8a? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part II</i>		x
19 Did the organization report more than \$15,000 of gross income from gaming activities on Part VIII, line 9a? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part III</i>		x
20a Did the organization operate one or more hospital facilities? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule H</i>		x
b If "Yes" to line 20a, did the organization attach a copy of its audited financial statements to this return?		

**Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules** (continued)

	Yes	No
<b>21</b> Did the organization report more than \$5,000 of grants or other assistance to any domestic organization or domestic government on Part IX, column (A), line 1? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and II</i>	X	
<b>22</b> Did the organization report more than \$5,000 of grants or other assistance to or for domestic individuals on Part IX, column (A), line 2? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and III</i>		X
<b>23</b> Did the organization answer "Yes" to Part VII, Section A, line 3, 4, or 5 about compensation of the organization's current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, and highest compensated employees? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J</i>		X
<b>24a</b> Did the organization have a tax-exempt bond issue with an outstanding principal amount of more than \$100,000 as of the last day of the year, that was issued after December 31, 2002? <i>If "Yes," answer lines 24b through 24d and complete Schedule K. If "No," go to line 25a</i>		X
<b>24b</b> Did the organization invest any proceeds of tax-exempt bonds beyond a temporary period exception?		
<b>24c</b> Did the organization maintain an escrow account other than a refunding escrow at any time during the year to defease any tax-exempt bonds?		
<b>24d</b> Did the organization act as an "on behalf of" issuer for bonds outstanding at any time during the year?		
<b>25a</b> <b>Section 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations.</b> Did the organization engage in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person during the year? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I</i>		X
<b>25b</b> Is the organization aware that it engaged in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person in a prior year, and that the transaction has not been reported on any of the organization's prior Forms 990 or 990-EZ? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I</i>		X
<b>26</b> Did the organization report any amount on Part X, line 5, 6, or 22 for receivables from or payables to any current or former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, highest compensated employees, or disqualified persons? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part II</i>		X
<b>27</b> Did the organization provide a grant or other assistance to an officer, director, trustee, key employee, substantial contributor or employee thereof, a grant selection committee member, or to a 35% controlled entity or family member of any of these persons? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part III</i>		X
<b>28</b> Was the organization a party to a business transaction with one of the following parties (see Schedule L, Part IV instructions for applicable filing thresholds, conditions, and exceptions). <b>28a</b> A current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV</i>		X
<b>28b</b> A family member of a current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV</i>		X
<b>28c</b> An entity of which a current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee (or a family member thereof) was an officer, director, trustee, or direct or indirect owner? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV</i>		X
<b>29</b> Did the organization receive more than \$25,000 in non-cash contributions? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule M</i>		X
<b>30</b> Did the organization receive contributions of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets, or qualified conservation contributions? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule M</i>		X
<b>31</b> Did the organization liquidate, terminate, or dissolve and cease operations? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part I</i>		X
<b>32</b> Did the organization sell, exchange, dispose of, or transfer more than 25% of its net assets? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part II</i>		X
<b>33</b> Did the organization own 100% of an entity disregarded as separate from the organization under Regulations sections 301.7701-2 and 301.7701-3? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part I</i>		X
<b>34</b> Was the organization related to any tax-exempt or taxable entity? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part II, III, or IV, and Part V, line 1</i>	X	
<b>35a</b> Did the organization have a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)?		X
<b>35b</b> If "Yes" to line 35a, did the organization receive any payment from or engage in any transaction with a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2</i>		
<b>36</b> <b>Section 501(c)(3) organizations.</b> Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2</i>		X
<b>37</b> Did the organization conduct more than 5% of its activities through an entity that is not a related organization and that is treated as a partnership for federal income tax purposes? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part VI</i>		X
<b>38</b> Did the organization complete Schedule O and provide explanations in Schedule O for Part VI, lines 11b and 19? <b>Note.</b> All Form 990 filers are required to complete Schedule O	X	

Part V Statements Regarding Other IRS Filings and Tax Compliance

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

Table with columns for question numbers (1a-14b), Yes/No checkboxes, and numerical responses. Includes questions about Form 1096, Form W-2G, backup withholding, Form W-3, unrelated business income, foreign accounts, prohibited tax shelter transactions, annual gross receipts, Form 8886-T, Form 8899, Form 8282, Form 1098-C, Form 4966, Form 501(c)(7), Form 501(c)(12), Form 4947(a)(1), and Form 501(c)(29).

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

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

X

Section A. Governing Body and Management

Table with columns for line number, description, and Yes/No checkboxes. Includes questions 1a through 9 regarding governing body members, relationships, and documentation.

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

Table with columns for line number, description, and Yes/No checkboxes. Includes questions 10a through 16b regarding local chapters, conflict of interest, whistleblower, and compensation policies.

Section C. Disclosure

- 17 List the states with which a copy of this Form 990 is required to be filed NONE
18 Section 6104 requires an organization to make its Forms 1023 (or 1024 if applicable), 990, and 990-T (Section 501(c)(3)s only) available for public inspection.
19 Describe in Schedule O whether (and if so, how) the organization made its governing documents, conflict of interest policy, and financial statements available to the public during the tax year.
20 State the name, address, and telephone number of the person who possesses the organization's books and records: DEBRA D. ROONEY, CPA - 802-388-3355

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

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

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

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

- List all of the organization's **current** officers, directors, trustees (whether individuals or organizations), regardless of amount of compensation. Enter -0- in columns (D), (E), and (F) if no compensation was paid.
- List all of the organization's **current** key employees, if any. See instructions for definition of "key employee."
- List the organization's five **current** highest compensated employees (other than an officer, director, trustee, or key employee) who received reportable compensation (Box 5 of Form W-2 and/or Box 7 of Form 1099-MISC) of more than \$100,000 from the organization and any related organizations
- List all of the organization's **former** officers, key employees, and highest compensated employees who received more than \$100,000 of reportable compensation from the organization and any related organizations
- List all of the organization's **former** directors or trustees that received, in the capacity as a former director or trustee of the organization, more than \$10,000 of reportable compensation from the organization and any related organizations.

List persons in the following order: individual trustees or directors; institutional trustees; officers; key employees; highest compensated employees; and former such persons

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 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)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W-2/1099-MISC)	(F) Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations
		Individual trustee or director	Institutional trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former			
(1) CARL FERENBACH BOARD PRESIDENT	2.00	X		X				0.	0.	0.
(2) CANDACE PAGE DIRECTOR	2.00	X						0.	0.	0.
(3) DAVID RAHR DIRECTOR	2.00	X						0.	0.	0.
(4) DERRICK DAVIS DIRECTOR	2.00	X						0.	0.	0.
(5) ELIZABETH BANKOWSKI BOARD V. PRESIDENT & ASST. SEC & TRE	2.00	X		X				0.	0.	0.
(6) DARBY BRADLEY DIRECTOR	2.00	X						0.	0.	0.
(7) CAROLYN KEHLER DIRECTOR	2.00	X						0.	0.	0.
(8) GAYE SYMINGTON PRESIDENT	40.00			X				89,758.	0.	28,311.
(9) TOM ROBERTS SECRETARY & TREASURER	4.00 36.00			X				0.	90,397.	3,555.



**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 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)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W-2/1099-MISC)	(F) Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations
		Individual trustee or director	Institutional trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former			
<b>1b Sub-total</b>							89,758.	90,397.	31,866.	
<b>c Total from continuation sheets to Part VII, Section A</b>							0.	0.	0.	
<b>d Total (add lines 1b and 1c)</b>							89,758.	90,397.	31,866.	

**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 **0**

	Yes	No
<b>3</b> Did the organization list any <b>former</b> officer, director, or trustee, key employee, or highest compensated employee on line 1a? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual</i>		X
<b>4</b> 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>		X
<b>5</b> 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>		X

**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 NONE	(B) Description of services	(C) Compensation

**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 **0**

Part VIII Statement of Revenue

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

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Main table with columns (A) Total revenue, (B) Related or exempt function revenue, (C) Unrelated business revenue, (D) Revenue excluded from tax under sections 512-514. Rows include Contributions, Gifts, Grants and Other Similar Amounts; Program Service Revenue; and Other Revenue.

**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	852,017.	852,017.		
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	118,069.	88,552.	29,517.	
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	55,505.	28,838.	26,667.	
8 Pension plan accruals and contributions (include section 401(k) and 403(b) employer contributions)	1,665.	865.	800.	
9 Other employee benefits	14,054.	10,948.	3,106.	
10 Payroll taxes	12,974.	8,432.	4,542.	
11 Fees for services (non-employees).				
a Management	102,500.		102,500.	
b Legal				
c Accounting				
d Lobbying				
e Professional fundraising services. See Part IV, line 17				
f Investment management fees	132,861.		132,861.	
g Other. (If line 11g amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A) amount, list line 11g expenses on Sch. O.)	1,178.		1,178.	
12 Advertising and promotion	10,924.	10,736.	188.	
13 Office expenses	3,675.	535.	3,140.	
14 Information technology	240.	128.	112.	
15 Royalties				
16 Occupancy				
17 Travel	4,987.	2,740.	2,247.	
18 Payments of travel or entertainment expenses for any federal, state, or local public officials				
19 Conferences, conventions, and meetings	34,350.	22,594.	11,756.	
20 Interest				
21 Payments to affiliates				
22 Depreciation, depletion, and amortization	439.	234.	205.	
23 Insurance	1,835.		1,835.	
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 CONTRACT LABOR	54,784.	54,784.		
b DUES	6,220.	6,220.		
c PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMEN	3,537.		3,537.	
d MISCELLANEOUS	29.		29.	
e All other expenses				
25 Total functional expenses. Add lines 1 through 24e	1,411,843.	1,087,623.	324,220.	0.
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  if following SOP 98-2 (ASC 958-720)

**Part X Balance Sheet**

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

		(A) Beginning of year		(B) End of year
<b>Assets</b>	<b>1</b> Cash - non-interest-bearing	46,204.	<b>1</b>	42,415.
	<b>2</b> Savings and temporary cash investments		<b>2</b>	
	<b>3</b> Pledges and grants receivable, net		<b>3</b>	
	<b>4</b> Accounts receivable, net	385.	<b>4</b>	
	<b>5</b> Loans and other receivables from current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, and highest compensated employees. Complete Part II of Schedule L		<b>5</b>	
	<b>6</b> Loans and other receivables from other disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)), persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B), and contributing employers and sponsoring organizations of section 501(c)(9) voluntary employees' beneficiary organizations (see instr). Complete Part II of Sch L		<b>6</b>	
	<b>7</b> Notes and loans receivable, net		<b>7</b>	
	<b>8</b> Inventories for sale or use		<b>8</b>	
	<b>9</b> Prepaid expenses and deferred charges	335.	<b>9</b>	3,047.
	<b>10a</b> Land, buildings, and equipment: cost or other basis. Complete Part VI of Schedule D	<b>10a</b> 3,506.		
	<b>b</b> Less. accumulated depreciation	<b>10b</b> 3,506.	439.	<b>10c</b> 0.
	<b>11</b> Investments - publicly traded securities		<b>11</b>	
	<b>12</b> Investments - other securities. See Part IV, line 11	17,770,856.	<b>12</b>	17,837,620.
	<b>13</b> Investments - program-related. See Part IV, line 11	1,127,486.	<b>13</b>	1,162,815.
	<b>14</b> Intangible assets		<b>14</b>	
	<b>15</b> Other assets. See Part IV, line 11		<b>15</b>	
<b>16 Total assets.</b> Add lines 1 through 15 (must equal line 34)	18,945,705.	<b>16</b>	19,045,897.	
<b>Liabilities</b>	<b>17</b> Accounts payable and accrued expenses	7,354.	<b>17</b>	23,195.
	<b>18</b> Grants payable	437,875.	<b>18</b>	510,887.
	<b>19</b> Deferred revenue		<b>19</b>	
	<b>20</b> Tax-exempt bond liabilities		<b>20</b>	
	<b>21</b> Escrow or custodial account liability. Complete Part IV of Schedule D		<b>21</b>	
	<b>22</b> Loans and other payables to current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, highest compensated employees, and disqualified persons. Complete Part II of Schedule L		<b>22</b>	
	<b>23</b> Secured mortgages and notes payable to unrelated third parties		<b>23</b>	
	<b>24</b> Unsecured notes and loans payable to unrelated third parties		<b>24</b>	
	<b>25</b> 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		<b>25</b>	
	<b>26 Total liabilities.</b> Add lines 17 through 25	445,229.	<b>26</b>	534,082.
<b>Net Assets or Fund Balances</b>	<b>Organizations that follow SFAS 117 (ASC 958), check here</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>and complete lines 27 through 29, and lines 33 and 34.</b>			
	<b>27</b> Unrestricted net assets	18,500,476.	<b>27</b>	18,511,815.
	<b>28</b> Temporarily restricted net assets		<b>28</b>	
	<b>29</b> Permanently restricted net assets		<b>29</b>	
	<b>Organizations that do not follow SFAS 117 (ASC 958), check here</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>and complete lines 30 through 34.</b>			
	<b>30</b> Capital stock or trust principal, or current funds		<b>30</b>	
	<b>31</b> Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, building, or equipment fund		<b>31</b>	
	<b>32</b> Retained earnings, endowment, accumulated income, or other funds		<b>32</b>	
<b>33</b> Total net assets or fund balances	18,500,476.	<b>33</b>	18,511,815.	
<b>34</b> Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances	18,945,705.	<b>34</b>	19,045,897.	

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**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	1,410,910.
2	Total expenses (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	2	1,411,843.
3	Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 2 from line 1	3	<933.>
4	Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (must equal Part X, line 33, column (A))	4	18,500,476.
5	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	5	<12,728.>
6	Donated services and use of facilities	6	
7	Investment expenses	7	
8	Prior period adjustments	8	
9	Other changes in net assets or fund balances (explain in Schedule O)	9	25,000.
10	Net assets or fund balances at end of year. Combine lines 3 through 9 (must equal Part X, line 33, column (B))	10	18,511,815.

**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 in Schedule O.		
2a	Were the organization's financial statements compiled or reviewed by an independent accountant? If "Yes," check a box below to indicate whether the financial statements for the year were compiled or reviewed on a separate basis, consolidated basis, or both: <input type="checkbox"/> Separate basis <input type="checkbox"/> Consolidated basis <input type="checkbox"/> Both consolidated and separate basis		x
2b	Were the organization's financial statements audited by an independent accountant? If "Yes," check a box below to indicate whether the financial statements for the year were audited on a separate basis, consolidated basis, or both: <input type="checkbox"/> Separate basis <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Consolidated basis <input type="checkbox"/> Both consolidated and separate basis	x	
2c	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.	x	
3a	As a result of a federal award, was the organization required to undergo an audit or audits as set forth in the Single Audit Act and OMB Circular A-133?		x
3b	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		

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**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.

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

<b>Name of the organization</b> HIGH MEADOWS FUND, INC.	<b>Employer identification number</b> 20-0288123
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**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 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 1

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		
VERMONT COMMUNITY FOUNDATION	22-2712160	7	x		0.	0.
<b>Total</b>					0.	0.

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

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

**Section A. Public Support**

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ►	(a) 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> Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf						
<b>3</b> The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge						
<b>4 Total.</b> Add lines 1 through 3						
<b>5</b> 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)						
<b>6 Public support.</b> Subtract line 5 from line 4						

**Section B. Total Support**

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ►	(a) 2010	(b) 2011	(c) 2012	(d) 2013	(e) 2014	(f) Total
<b>7</b> Amounts from line 4						
<b>8</b> Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources						
<b>9</b> Net income from unrelated business activities, whether or not the business is regularly carried on						
<b>10</b> Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part VI.)						
<b>11 Total support.</b> Add lines 7 through 10						
<b>12</b> Gross receipts from related activities, etc. (see instructions)					12	
<b>13 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**

<b>14</b> Public support percentage for 2014 (line 6, column (f) divided by line 11, column (f))	14	%
<b>15</b> Public support percentage from 2013 Schedule A, Part II, line 14	15	%
<b>16a 33 1/3% support test - 2014.</b> If the organization did not check the box on line 13, and 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 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"/>		
<b>17a 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"/>		
<b>18 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 year 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>7a</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 year beginning in) ►	(a) 2010	(b) 2011	(c) 2012	(d) 2013	(e) 2014	(f) Total
<b>9</b> Amounts from line 6						
<b>10a</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 2014 (line 10c, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f))	<b>17</b>	%
<b>18</b> Investment income percentage from 2013 Schedule A, Part III, line 17	<b>18</b>	%

**19a 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**

	Yes	No
1 Are all of the organization's supported organizations listed by name in the organization's governing documents? <i>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.</i>	X	
2 Did the organization have any supported organization that does not have an IRS determination of status under section 509(a)(1) or (2)? <i>If "Yes," explain in Part VI how the organization determined that the supported organization was described in section 509(a)(1) or (2).</i>		X
3a Did the organization have a supported organization described in section 501(c)(4), (5), or (6)? <i>If "Yes," answer (b) and (c) below.</i>		X
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)? <i>If "Yes," describe in Part VI when and how the organization made the determination.</i>		
c Did the organization ensure that all support to such organizations was used exclusively for section 170(c)(2)(B) purposes? <i>If "Yes," explain in Part VI what controls the organization put in place to ensure such use</i>		
4a Was any supported organization not organized in the United States ("foreign supported organization")? <i>If "Yes" and if you checked 11a or 11b in Part I, answer (b) and (c) below.</i>		X
b Did the organization have ultimate control and discretion in deciding whether to make grants to the foreign supported organization? <i>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</i>		
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)? <i>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.</i>		
5a Did the organization add, substitute, or remove any supported organizations during the tax year? <i>If "Yes," answer (b) and (c) below (if applicable). Also, provide detail in Part VI, including (i) the names and EIN numbers of the supported organizations added, substituted, or removed, (ii) the reasons for each such action, (iii) the authority under the organization's organizing document authorizing such action, and (iv) how the action was accomplished (such as by amendment to the organizing document)</i>		X
b <b>Type I or Type II only.</b> Was any added or substituted supported organization part of a class already designated in the organization's organizing document?		
c <b>Substitutions only.</b> 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 (a) its supported organizations, (b) individuals that are part of the charitable class benefited by one or more of its supported organizations; or (c) other supporting organizations that also support or benefit one or more of the filing organization's supported organizations? <i>If "Yes," provide detail in Part VI.</i>	X	
7 Did the organization provide a grant, loan, compensation, or other similar payment to a substantial contributor (defined in IRC 4958(c)(3)(C)), a family member of a substantial contributor, or a 35-percent controlled entity with regard to a substantial contributor? <i>If "Yes," complete Part I of Schedule L (Form 990).</i>		X
8 Did the organization make a loan to a disqualified person (as defined in section 4958) not described in line 7? <i>If "Yes," complete Part I of Schedule L (Form 990).</i>		X
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))? <i>If "Yes," provide detail in Part VI.</i>		X
b Did one or more disqualified persons (as defined in line 9(a)) hold a controlling interest in any entity in which the supporting organization had an interest? <i>If "Yes," provide detail in Part VI.</i>		X
c Did a disqualified person (as defined in line 9(a)) have an ownership interest in, or derive any personal benefit from, assets in which the supporting organization also had an interest? <i>If "Yes," provide detail in Part VI.</i>		X
10a Was the organization subject to the excess business holdings rules of IRC 4943 because of IRC 4943(f) (regarding certain Type II supporting organizations, and all Type III non-functionally integrated supporting organizations)? <i>If "Yes," answer (b) below</i>		X
b Did the organization have any excess business holdings in the tax year? <i>(Use Schedule C, Form 4720, to determine whether the organization had excess business holdings)</i>		

**Part IV Supporting Organizations** (continued)

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

**Section B. Type I Supporting Organizations**

	Yes	No
1 Did the directors, trustees, or membership of one or more supported organizations have the power to regularly appoint or elect at least a majority of the organization's directors or trustees at all times during the tax year? If "No," describe in Part VI how the supported organization(s) effectively operated, supervised, or controlled the organization's activities. If the organization had more than one supported organization, describe how the powers to appoint and/or remove directors or trustees were allocated among the supported organizations and what conditions or restrictions, if any, applied to such powers during the tax year.	x	
2 Did the organization operate for the benefit of any supported organization other than the supported organization(s) that operated, supervised, or controlled the supporting organization? If "Yes," explain in Part VI how providing such benefit carried out the purposes of the supported organization(s) that operated, supervised, or controlled the supporting organization.		x

**Section C. Type II Supporting Organizations**

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

**Section D. 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, (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?		
2 Were any of the organization's officers, directors, or trustees either (i) appointed or elected by the supported organization(s) or (ii) serving on the governing body of a supported organization? If "No," explain in Part VI how the organization maintained a close and continuous working relationship with the supported organization(s)		
3 By reason of the relationship described in (2), did the organization's supported organizations have a significant voice in the organization's investment policies and in directing the use of the organization's income or assets at all times during the tax year? If "Yes," describe in Part VI the role the organization's supported organizations played in this regard.		

**Section E. Type III Functionally-Integrated Supporting Organizations**

1 Check the box next to the method that the organization used to satisfy the Integral Part Test during the year (see instructions):		
a <input type="checkbox"/> The organization satisfied the Activities Test. Complete line 2 below		
b <input type="checkbox"/> The organization is the parent of each of its supported organizations. Complete line 3 below.		
c <input type="checkbox"/> The organization supported a governmental entity. Describe in Part VI how you supported a government entity (see instructions).		
2 Activities Test. Answer (a) and (b) below.		
a Did substantially all of the organization's activities during the tax year directly further the exempt purposes of the supported organization(s) to which the organization was responsive? If "Yes," then in Part VI identify those supported organizations and explain how these activities directly furthered their exempt purposes, how the organization was responsive to those supported organizations, and how the organization determined that these activities constituted substantially all of its activities		
b 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? If "Yes," explain in Part VI the reasons for the organization's position that its supported organization(s) would have engaged in these activities but for the organization's involvement.		
3 Parent of Supported Organizations. Answer (a) and (b) below.		
a Did the organization have the power to regularly appoint or elect a majority of the officers, directors, or trustees of each of the supported organizations? Provide details in Part VI.		
b Did the organization exercise a substantial degree of direction over the policies, programs, and activities of each of its supported organizations? If "Yes," describe in Part VI the role played by the organization in this regard.		

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

Section B - Minimum Asset Amount		(A) Prior Year	(B) Current Year (optional)
1	Aggregate fair market value of all non-exempt-use assets (see instructions for short tax year or assets held for part of year).		
a	Average monthly value of securities	1a	
b	Average monthly cash balances	1b	
c	Fair market value of other non-exempt-use assets	1c	
d	<b>Total</b> (add lines 1a, 1b, and 1c)	1d	
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	

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	<b>Distributable Amount.</b> Subtract line 5 from line 4, unless subject to emergency temporary reduction (see instructions)	6	
7	<input type="checkbox"/> Check here if the current year is the organization's first as a non-functionally-integrated Type III supporting organization (see instructions).		

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

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

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

**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)

PART IV, SECTION A, LINE 6:

TO FURTHER THE EXEMPT PURPOSE OF BOTH THE FUND AND ITS SUPPORTED ORGANIZATION, GRANTS WERE AWARDED TO OTHER 501(C)(3) ORGANIZATIONS. THE GRANTS WERE AWARDED TO ORGANIZATIONS PRIMARILY TO PROMOTE A HEALTHY NATURAL ENVIRONMENT WHILE ENCOURAGING LONG-TERM ECONOMIC VITALITY IN VERMONT.

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

**Political Campaign and Lobbying Activities**

OMB No 1545-0047

**2014**

Open to Public Inspection

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

For Organizations Exempt From Income Tax Under section 501(c) and section 527  
 ▶ Complete if the organization is described below. ▶ Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ.  
 ▶ Information about Schedule C (Form 990 or 990-EZ) and its instructions is at [www.irs.gov/form990](http://www.irs.gov/form990).

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

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

Name of organization <p style="text-align: center;">HIGH MEADOWS FUND, INC.</p>	Employer identification number <p style="text-align: center;">20-0288123</p>
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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.
- 2 Political expenditures ▶ \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- 3 Volunteer hours \_\_\_\_\_

**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-

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**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												
<b>1a</b> Total lobbying expenditures to influence public opinion (grass roots lobbying)															
<b>b</b> Total lobbying expenditures to influence a legislative body (direct lobbying)			18,153.												
<b>c</b> Total lobbying expenditures (add lines 1a and 1b)			18,153.												
<b>d</b> Other exempt purpose expenditures		1,411,843.	24,182,726.												
<b>e</b> Total exempt purpose expenditures (add lines 1c and 1d)		1,411,843.	24,200,879.												
<b>f</b> Lobbying nontaxable amount. Enter the amount from the following table in both columns.		216,184.	1,000,000.												
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Over \$17,000,000	\$1,000,000.														
<b>g</b> Grassroots nontaxable amount (enter 25% of line 1f)		54,046.	250,000.												
<b>h</b> Subtract line 1g from line 1a. If zero or less, enter -0-		0.	0.												
<b>i</b> Subtract line 1f from line 1c. If zero or less, enter -0-		0.	0.												
<b>j</b> 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) 2011	(b) 2012	(c) 2013	(d) 2014	(e) Total
<b>2a</b> Lobbying nontaxable amount	992,325.	907,826.	1,000,000.	1,000,000.	3,900,151.
<b>b</b> Lobbying ceiling amount (150% of line 2a, column(e))					5,850,227.
<b>c</b> Total lobbying expenditures			48,198.	18,153.	66,351.
<b>d</b> Grassroots nontaxable amount	248,081.	226,957.	250,000.	250,000.	975,038.
<b>e</b> Grassroots ceiling amount (150% of line 2d, column (e))					1,462,557.
<b>f</b> Grassroots lobbying expenditures					

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**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 to lines 1a through 1i below, provide in Part IV a detailed description of the lobbying activity.

	(a)		(b)
	Yes	No	Amount
<b>1</b> 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			
<b>a</b> Volunteers?			
<b>b</b> Paid staff or management (include compensation in expenses reported on lines 1c through 1i)?			
<b>c</b> Media advertisements?			
<b>d</b> Mailings to members, legislators, or the public?			
<b>e</b> Publications, or published or broadcast statements?			
<b>f</b> Grants to other organizations for lobbying purposes?			
<b>g</b> Direct contact with legislators, their staffs, government officials, or a legislative body?			
<b>h</b> Rallies, demonstrations, seminars, conventions, speeches, lectures, or any similar means?			
<b>i</b> Other activities?			
<b>j</b> Total. Add lines 1c through 1i			
<b>2a</b> Did the activities in line 1 cause the organization to be not described in section 501(c)(3)?			
<b>b</b> If "Yes," enter the amount of any tax incurred under section 4912			
<b>c</b> If "Yes," enter the amount of any tax incurred by organization managers under section 4912			
<b>d</b> 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
<b>1</b> Were substantially all (90% or more) dues received nondeductible by members?	<b>1</b>	
<b>2</b> Did the organization make only in-house lobbying expenditures of \$2,000 or less?	<b>2</b>	
<b>3</b> Did the organization agree to carry over lobbying and political expenditures from the prior year?	<b>3</b>	

**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."

<b>1</b> Dues, assessments and similar amounts from members	<b>1</b>	
<b>2</b> Section 162(e) nondeductible lobbying and political expenditures (do not include amounts of political expenses for which the section 527(f) tax was paid).		
<b>a</b> Current year	<b>2a</b>	
<b>b</b> Carryover from last year	<b>2b</b>	
<b>c</b> Total	<b>2c</b>	
<b>3</b> Aggregate amount reported in section 6033(e)(1)(A) notices of nondeductible section 162(e) dues	<b>3</b>	
<b>4</b> 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?	<b>4</b>	
<b>5</b> Taxable amount of lobbying and political expenditures (see instructions)	<b>5</b>	

**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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**Part IV Supplemental Information** (continued)

**Schedule C**

**Affiliated Group Lobbying Expenditures  
Part II -A**

Name of Affiliated Group Member  
PERMANENT FUND FOR VERMONT'S CHILDREN, INC.

Employer ID Number  
31-1802348

Affiliated Group Member Address  
3 COURT STREET  
MIDDLEBURY, VT 05753

Electing Member  
YES

**Limits on Lobbying Expenditures:**

	Line												
Total lobbying expenditures to influence public opinion (grassroots lobbying)	0. 1a												
Total lobbying expenditures to influence a legislative body (direct lobbying)	18,153. b												
Total lobbying expenditures (add lines 1a and 1b)	18,153. c												
Other exempt purpose expenditures	3,635,321. d												
Total exempt purpose expenditures (add lines 1c and 1d)	3,653,474. e												
Lobbying nontaxable amount.													
Enter the amount from the following table:													
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Over \$17,000,000	\$1,000,000												
Grassroots nontaxable amount (enter 25% of line 1f)	83,169. g												
Subtract line 1g from line 1a (limit to zero)	0. h												
Subtract line 1f from line 1c (limit to zero)	0. i												
Member's share of excess lobbying expenditures	0.												

**Part IV Supplemental Information** (continued)

**Schedule C**

**Affiliated Group Lobbying Expenditures  
Part II - A**

Name of Affiliated Group Member  
VERMONT COMMUNITY FOUNDATION, INC.

Employer ID Number  
22-2712160

Affiliated Group Member Address  
3 COURT STREET  
MIDDLEBURY, VT 05753

Electing Member  
YES

**Limits on Lobbying Expenditures:**

	Line												
Total lobbying expenditures to influence public opinion (grassroots lobbying)	0. 1a												
Total lobbying expenditures to influence a legislative body (direct lobbying)	0. b												
Total lobbying expenditures (add lines 1a and 1b)	0. c												
Other exempt purpose expenditures	18,549,182. d												
Total exempt purpose expenditures (add lines 1c and 1d)	18,549,182. e												
Lobbying nontaxable amount. Enter the amount from the following table:													
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Over \$17,000,000	\$1,000,000												
Grassroots nontaxable amount (enter 25% of line 1f)	250,000. g												
Subtract line 1g from line 1a (limit to zero)	0. h												
Subtract line 1f from line 1c (limit to zero)	0. i												
Member's share of excess lobbying expenditures	0.												

**Part IV Supplemental Information** (continued)

**Schedule C Affiliated Group Lobbying Expenditures Part II -A**

Name of Affiliated Group Member  
 J. WARREN AND LOIS MCCLURE FOUNDATION, INC. Employer ID Number  
 03-0345186

Affiliated Group Member Address  
 3 COURT STREET Electing Member  
 MIDDLEBURY, VT 05753 YES

**Limits on Lobbying Expenditures:**

	Line												
Total lobbying expenditures to influence public opinion (grassroots lobbying)	0. 1a												
Total lobbying expenditures to influence a legislative body (direct lobbying)	0. b												
Total lobbying expenditures (add lines 1a and 1b)	0. c												
Other exempt purpose expenditures	542,066. d												
Total exempt purpose expenditures (add lines 1c and 1d).	542,066. e												
Lobbying nontaxable amount.													
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Over \$17,000,000	\$1,000,000												
Grassroots nontaxable amount (enter 25% of line 1f)	106,310. f												
Subtract line 1g from line 1a (limit to zero)	26,578. g												
Subtract line 1f from line 1c (limit to zero)	0. h												
Member's share of excess lobbying expenditures	0. i												

**Part IV Supplemental Information** (continued)

**Schedule C**

**Affiliated Group Lobbying Expenditures  
Part II -A**

Name of Affiliated Group Member  
ADDISON COMMUNITY ATHLETICS FOUNDATION, INC

Employer ID Number  
46-1164975

Affiliated Group Member Address  
3 COURT STREET  
MIDDLEBURY, VT 05753

Electing Member  
NO

**Limits on Lobbying Expenditures:**

	Line												
Total lobbying expenditures to influence public opinion (grassroots lobbying)	0. 1a												
Total lobbying expenditures to influence a legislative body (direct lobbying)	0. b												
Total lobbying expenditures (add lines 1a and 1b)	0. c												
Other exempt purpose expenditures	44,314. d												
Total exempt purpose expenditures (add lines 1c and 1d).	44,314. e												
Lobbying nontaxable amount. Enter the amount from the following table:													
<table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th style="text-align: center;">If the amount on line e is</th> <th style="text-align: center;">The lobbying nontaxable amount is:</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Not over \$500,000</td> <td>20% of the amount on line 1e</td> </tr> <tr> <td>&gt; 500,000 &lt;= 1,000,000</td> <td>100,000 + 15% &gt; 500,000</td> </tr> <tr> <td>&gt; 1,000,000 &lt;= 1,500,000</td> <td>175,000 + 10% &gt; 1,000,000</td> </tr> <tr> <td>&gt; 1,500,000 &lt;= 17,000,000</td> <td>225,000 + 5% &gt; 1,500,000</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Over \$17,000,000</td> <td>\$1,000,000</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	If the amount on line e is	The lobbying nontaxable amount is:	Not over \$500,000	20% of the amount on line 1e	> 500,000 <= 1,000,000	100,000 + 15% > 500,000	> 1,000,000 <= 1,500,000	175,000 + 10% > 1,000,000	> 1,500,000 <= 17,000,000	225,000 + 5% > 1,500,000	Over \$17,000,000	\$1,000,000	
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> 1,000,000 <= 1,500,000	175,000 + 10% > 1,000,000												
> 1,500,000 <= 17,000,000	225,000 + 5% > 1,500,000												
Over \$17,000,000	\$1,000,000												
Grassroots nontaxable amount (enter 25% of line 1f)	8,863. f												
Subtract line 1g from line 1a (limit to zero)	2,216. g												
Subtract line 1f from line 1c (limit to zero)	0. h												
Subtract line 1f from line 1c (limit to zero)	0. i												
Member's share of excess lobbying expenditures	0.												

**SCHEDULE D**  
**(Form 990)**

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

**Supplemental Financial Statements**

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

▶ **Information about Schedule D (Form 990) and its instructions is at [www.irs.gov/form990](http://www.irs.gov/form990).**

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**Name of the organization** HIGH MEADOWS FUND, INC. **Employer identification number** 20-0288123

**Part I Organizations Maintaining Donor Advised Funds or Other Similar Funds or Accounts.** Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to 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?		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> 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?		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No

**Part II Conservation Easements.** Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to 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 a historically important land area

Protection of natural habitat  Preservation of a certified historic structure

Preservation of open space

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

	Held at the End of the Tax Year
a Total number of conservation easements	2a
b Total acreage restricted by conservation easements	2b
c Number of conservation easements on a certified historic structure included in (a)	2c
d Number of conservation easements included in (c) acquired after 8/17/06, and not on a historic structure listed in the National Register	2d

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

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

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

6 Staff and volunteer hours devoted to monitoring, inspecting, and enforcing conservation easements during the year ▶ \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

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

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

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

1a If the organization elected, as permitted under SFAS 116 (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 SFAS 116 (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 in Form 990, Part VIII, line 1 ▶ \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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

2 If the organization received or held works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets for financial gain, provide the following amounts required to be reported under SFAS 116 (ASC 958) relating to these items:

a Revenue included in 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 \_\_\_\_\_

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" to 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
1c	
1d	
1e	
1f	

c Beginning balance

d Additions during the year

e Distributions during the year

f Ending balance

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" to 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	18,500,476.	17,129,071.	16,132,866.	16,759,006.	15,118,237.
b Contributions	525,000.	515,300.	575,200.	500,100.	500,000.
c Net investment earnings, gains, and losses	898,182.	2,596,431.	1,714,846.	<66,507.>	1,877,339.
d Grants or scholarships	852,017.	1,232,030.	692,168.	621,765.	369,750.
e Other expenditures for facilities and programs	235,606.	207,502.	298,936.	167,467.	130,256.
f Administrative expenses	324,220.	300,794.	302,737.	270,501.	236,564.
g End of year balance	18,511,815.	18,500,476.	17,129,071.	16,132,866.	16,759,006.

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

a Board designated or quasi-endowment ▶ 100.00 %

b Permanent endowment ▶ \_\_\_\_\_ %

c Temporarily restricted endowment ▶ \_\_\_\_\_ %

The percentages in 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:

(i) unrelated organizations

(ii) related organizations

b If "Yes" to 3a(ii), are the related organizations listed as required on Schedule R?

	Yes	No
3a(i)		x
3a(ii)	x	
3b	x	

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" to 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				
b Buildings				
c Leasehold improvements				
d Equipment		3,506.	3,506.	0.
e Other				

Total. Add lines 1a through 1e. (Column (d) must equal Form 990, Part X, column (B), line 10c) ▶ 0.

**Part VII Investments - Other Securities.**

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to 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) VT COMM FOUNDATION POOLED SEC	9,845,845.	END-OF-YEAR MARKET VALUE
(B) HMF SCS PORTFOLIO	7,991,775.	END-OF-YEAR MARKET VALUE
(C)		
(D)		
(E)		
(F)		
(G)		
(H)		
<b>Total.</b> (Col. (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col. (B) line 12.)	17,837,620.	

**Part VIII Investments - Program Related.**

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to 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) HMF MISSION RELATED INVESTMENTS	75,375.	END-OF-YEAR MARKET VALUE
(2) VCF VERMONT INVESTMENTS POOL	249,119.	END-OF-YEAR MARKET VALUE
(3) EVERGREEN CONSERVATION PARTNERS	300,000.	END-OF-YEAR MARKET VALUE
(4) VLT PROMISSORY NOTE-FARMLAND	302,368.	END-OF-YEAR MARKET VALUE
(5) VLT PROMISSORY NOTE-FORESTLAND	235,953.	END-OF-YEAR MARKET VALUE
(6)		
(7)		
(8)		
(9)		
<b>Total.</b> (Col. (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col. (B) line 13.)	1,162,815.	

**Part IX Other Assets.**

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to 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)	
<b>Total.</b> (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col. (B) line 15)	

**Part X Other Liabilities.**

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to 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	
(2)	
(3)	
(4)	
(5)	
(6)	
(7)	
(8)	
(9)	
<b>Total.</b> (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col. (B) line 25.)	

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" to Form 990, Part IV, line 12a

<b>1</b>	Total revenue, gains, and other support per audited financial statements		<b>1</b>	
<b>2</b>	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12.			
<b>a</b>	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	<b>2a</b>		
<b>b</b>	Donated services and use of facilities	<b>2b</b>		
<b>c</b>	Recoveries of prior year grants	<b>2c</b>		
<b>d</b>	Other (Describe in Part XIII.)	<b>2d</b>		
<b>e</b>	Add lines <b>2a</b> through <b>2d</b>		<b>2e</b>	
<b>3</b>	Subtract line <b>2e</b> from line <b>1</b>		<b>3</b>	
<b>4</b>	Amounts included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, but not on line 1.			
<b>a</b>	Investment expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b	<b>4a</b>		
<b>b</b>	Other (Describe in Part XIII.)	<b>4b</b>		
<b>c</b>	Add lines <b>4a</b> and <b>4b</b>		<b>4c</b>	
<b>5</b>	Total revenue. Add lines <b>3</b> and <b>4c</b> . (This must equal Form 990, Part I, line 12.)		<b>5</b>	

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

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

<b>1</b>	Total expenses and losses per audited financial statements		<b>1</b>	
<b>2</b>	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part IX, line 25.			
<b>a</b>	Donated services and use of facilities	<b>2a</b>		
<b>b</b>	Prior year adjustments	<b>2b</b>		
<b>c</b>	Other losses	<b>2c</b>		
<b>d</b>	Other (Describe in Part XIII.)	<b>2d</b>		
<b>e</b>	Add lines <b>2a</b> through <b>2d</b>		<b>2e</b>	
<b>3</b>	Subtract line <b>2e</b> from line <b>1</b>		<b>3</b>	
<b>4</b>	Amounts included on Form 990, Part IX, line 25, but not on line 1.			
<b>a</b>	Investment expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b	<b>4a</b>		
<b>b</b>	Other (Describe in Part XIII.)	<b>4b</b>		
<b>c</b>	Add lines <b>4a</b> and <b>4b</b>		<b>4c</b>	
<b>5</b>	Total expenses. Add lines <b>3</b> and <b>4c</b> . (This must equal Form 990, Part I, line 18.)		<b>5</b>	

**Part XIII Supplemental Information.**

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

PART V, LINE 4:

FUNDS ARE DESIGNATED AND INTENDED FOR USE IN THE FURTHERANCE OF THE

ORGANIZATION'S EXEMPT PURPOSE.



**SCHEDULE I  
(Form 990)**

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" to Form 990, Part IV, line 21 or 22.

▶ Attach to Form 990.

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

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Name of the organization

HIGH MEADOWS FUND, INC.

Employer identification number  
20-0288123

**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?

Yes  No

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" to 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.

1 (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 non-cash assistance	(h) Purpose of grant or assistance
ANTIOCH UNIVERSITY 40 AVON STREET KEENE, NH 03431	31-0536640	501(C)(3)	12,000.	0.			GEN. SUPPORT
CARSHARE VERMONT 131 ST. PAUL STREET BURLINGTON, VT 05401	26-2264386	501(C)(3)	26,950.	0.			GEN. SUPPORT
CENTER FOR AN AGRICULTURAL ECONOMY (CAE) - 140 JUNCTION RD - HARDWICK, VT 05843	57-1201683	501(C)(3)	15,000.	0.			GEN. SUPPORT GEN. SUPPORT
COMMUNITY-RESILIENCE.ORG 3272 RTE 14 NORTH SOUTH ROYALTON, VT 05068	03-0371746	501(C)(3)	45,000.	0.			GEN. SUPPORT
FOREST GUILD 2019 GALISTEO STREET SANTA FE, NM 87505	85-0446866	501(C)(3)	9,000.	0.			GEN. SUPPORT
HEALTH CARE WITHOUT HARM 12355 SUNRISE VALLEY DRIVE RESTON, VA 20191	52-2358837	501(C)(3)	20,000.	0.			GEN. SUPPORT

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

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Schedule I (Form 990) (2014)

**Part II** Continuation of Grants and Other Assistance to Governments and Organizations in the United States (Schedule I (Form 990), Part II.)

(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 non-cash assistance	(h) Purpose of grant or assistance
IDLE-FREE VERMONT 637 JIM DWIRE ROAD BRISTOL, VT 05443	80-0402006	501(C)(3)	17,500.	0.			GEN. SUPPORT
INSTITUTE FOR SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES - 535 STONE CUTTERS WAY - MONTEPELLIER, VT 05602	22-3098727	501(C)(3)	22,000.	0.			GEN. SUPPORT
INTERVALE CENTER, INC. 180 INTERVALE ROAD BURLINGTON, VT 05401	03-0329656	501(C)(3)	175,000.	0.			GEN. SUPPORT
LAKE CHAMPLAIN BASIN SCIENCE CENTER (ECHO) - 1 COLLEGE STREET - BURLINGTON, VT 05401	03-0347288	501(C)(3)	25,000.	0.			GEN. SUPPORT
NEW ENGLAND GRASSROOTS ENVIRONMENT FUND - P.O. BOX 611 - NEWMARKET, NH 03857	03-0364677	501(C)(3)	20,000.	0.			GEN. SUPPORT
OTTAUQUECHEE NATURAL RESOURCES CONSERVATION DISTRICT - 28 FARMVU DRIVE - WHITE RIVER JUNCTION, VT 05001	03-0237066	501(C)(3)	8,500.	0.			GEN. SUPPORT
REGULATORY ASSISTANCE PROJECT 50 STATE STREET, SUITE 3 MONTEPELLIER, VT 05602	01-0471151	501(C)(3)	20,000.	0.			GEN. SUPPORT
RUTLAND AREA FARM AND FOOD LINK P.O. BOX 284 RUTLAND, VT 05493	20-8283600	501(C)(3)	27,500.	0.			GEN. SUPPORT
THIRD SECTOR NEW ENGLAND 89 SOUTH ST., #700 BOSTON, MA 02111	04-2261109	501(C)(3)	12,000.	0.			GEN. SUPPORT

**Part II** Continuation of Grants and Other Assistance to Governments and Organizations in the United States (Schedule I (Form 990), Part II.)

(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 non-cash assistance	(h) Purpose of grant or assistance
UNIVERSITY OF VERMONT AND STATE AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE - 85 SOUTHW PROSPECT STREET - BURLINGTON, VT 05405	03-0179440	501(C)(3)	80,200.	0.			GEN. SUPPORT
UVM EXTENSION-FOOD SAFETY ACCREDITATION FUND - 411 MAIN STREET - BURLINGTON, VT 05401	03-0179440	501(C)(3)	15,000.	0.			GEN. SUPPORT
VERMONT COMMUNITY LOAN FUND 15 STATE STREET, SUITE 101 MONTEPELIER, VT 05601	22-2864900	501(C)(3)	45,000.	0.			GEN. SUPPORT
VERMONT COUNCIL ON RURAL DEVELOPMENT - 43 STATE STREET, SUITES 2&3 - MONTEPELIER, VT 05601	03-0354510	501(C)(3)	20,000.	0.			GEN. SUPPORT
VERMONT ENERGY INVESTMENT CORPORATION - 128 LAKESIDE AVE, SUITE 401 - BURLINGTON, VT 05401	03-0304418	501(C)(3)	47,187.	0.			GEN. SUPPORT
VERMONT FOODBANK, INC. 33 PARKER ROAD BARRE, VT 05641	22-3021942	501(C)(3)	10,000.	0.			GEN. SUPPORT
VERMONT HOUSING & CONSERVATION BOARD - 58 EAST STATE STREET - MONTEPELIER, VT 05602	03-0311984	501(C)(3)	19,000.	0.			GEN. SUPPORT
VERMONT SUSTAINABLE JOBS FUND 3 PITKIN COURT, SUITE 301E MONTEPELIER, VT 05602	03-0349736	501(C)(3)	51,680.	0.			GEN. SUPPORT
VITAL COMMUNITIES 195 NORTH MAIN STREET WHITE RIVER JUNCTION, VT 05500	03-0355283	501(C)(3)	50,000.	0.			GEN. SUPPORT

Schedule I (Form 990)

**Part II** Continuation of Grants and Other Assistance to Governments and Organizations in the United States (Schedule I (Form 990), Part II)

(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 non-cash assistance	(h) Purpose of grant or assistance
VTDIGGER.ORG 97 STATE STREET MONTPELIER, VT 05602	27-1553931	501(C)(3)	10,000.	0.			GEN. SUPPORT
WHITE RIVER PARTNERSHIP 4266 VT ROUTE 14 SOUTH ROYALTON, VT 05068	03-0371746	501(C)(3)	11,000.	0.			GEN. SUPPORT

**Part III** Grants and Other Assistance to Domestic Individuals. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 22. Part III can be duplicated if additional space is needed.

(a) Type of grant or assistance	(b) Number of recipients	(c) Amount of cash grant	(d) Amount of non-cash assistance	(e) Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other)	(f) Description of non-cash assistance

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

PART I, LINE 2:

THE ORGANIZATION REQUIRES FINANCIAL AND PROGRAMMATIC REPORTING BY ALL

GRANTEES TO ENSURE THE APPROPRIATE USE OF GRANTED FUNDS.

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

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.

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

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

VITALITY IN VERMONT.

FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION A, LINE 3:

THE VERMONT COMMUNITY FOUNDATION PERFORMS CUSTOMARY MANAGEMENT DUTIES ON  
BEHALF OF THE GOVERNING BODY.

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

MANAGEMENT REVIEWS THE FORM 990 AND RELATED SCHEDULES PRIOR TO FILING AND  
ALSO PROVIDES A COPY OF THE TAX RETURN TO ALL BOARD MEMBERS

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

ALL BOARD MEMBERS COMPLETE CONFLICT OF INTEREST FORMS ANNUALLY. BOARD  
MEMBERS ALSO DISCLOSE ANY POSSIBLE CONFLICTS OF INTEREST IF THEY ARISE  
DURING BOARD MEETINGS.

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

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS CONDUCTS A THOROUGH REVIEW OF THE EXECUTIVE  
DIRECTOR'S TOTAL COMPENSATION PACKAGE WHICH IS COMPARED TO PEERS AT OTHER  
SIMILAR ORGANZATIONS AND FOUNDATIONS.

FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION C, LINE 19:

THE ORGANIZATION HAS NO FORMAL POLICY SURROUNDING THE PUBLIC AVAILABILITY  
OF ITS GOVERNING DOCUMENTS OTHER THAN TO PROVIDE APPLICABLE DOCUMENTS UPON  
REQUEST. AS THE HIGH MEADOWS FUND, INC. IS PART OF A CONSOLIDATED SET OF  
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Schedule O (Form 990 or 990-EZ) (2014)

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

RETURNED PRIOR YEAR GRANTS 25,000.

**SCHEDULE R  
(Form 990)**

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

**Related Organizations and Unrelated Partnerships**

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

▶ Attach to Form 990.

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

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

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

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

(a) Name, address, and EIN of related organization	(b) Primary activity	(c) Legal domicile (state or foreign country)	(d) Exempt Code section	(e) Public charity status (if section 501(c)(3))	(f) Direct controlling entity	(g) Section 512(b)(13) controlled entity?	
						Yes	No
VERMONT COMMUNITY FOUNDATION - 22-2712160 3 COURT STREET MIDDLEBURY, VT 05753	SUPPORTED ORGANIZATION	VERMONT	501(C)(3)	7	NA		X

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**Part III Identification of Related Organizations Taxable as a Partnership** Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 34 because it had one or more related organizations treated as a partnership during the tax year.

(a) Name, address, and EIN of related organization	(b) Primary activity	(c) Legal domicile (state or foreign country)	(d) Direct controlling entity	(e) Predominant income (related, unrelated, excluded from tax under sections 512-514)	(f) Share of total income	(g) Share of end-of-year assets	(h) Disproportionate allocations?		(i) Code V-UBI amount in box 20 of Schedule K-1 (Form 1065)	(j) General or managing partner?	(k) Percentage ownership
							Yes	No			

**Part IV Identification of Related Organizations Taxable as a Corporation or Trust** Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 34 because it had one or more related organizations treated as a corporation or trust during the tax year.

(a) Name, address, and EIN of related organization	(b) Primary activity	(c) Legal domicile (state or foreign country)	(d) Direct controlling entity	(e) Type of entity (C corp, S corp, or trust)	(f) Share of total income	(g) Share of end-of-year assets	(h) Percentage ownership	(i) Section 512(b)(13) controlled entity?	
								Yes	No

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

**Note.** Complete line 1 if any entity is listed in Parts II, III, or IV of this schedule.

**1** During the tax year, did the organization engage in any of the following transactions with one or more related organizations listed in Parts II-IV?

**a** Receipt of (i) interest, (ii) annuities, (iii) royalties, or (iv) rent from a controlled entity

**b** Gift, grant, or capital contribution to related organization(s)

**c** Gift, grant, or capital contribution from related organization(s)

**d** Loans or loan guarantees to or for related organization(s)

**e** Loans or loan guarantees by related organization(s)

**f** Dividends from related organization(s)

**g** Sale of assets to related organization(s)

**h** Purchase of assets from related organization(s)

**i** Exchange of assets with related organization(s)

**j** Lease of facilities, equipment, or other assets to related organization(s)

**k** Lease of facilities, equipment, or other assets from related organization(s)

**l** Performance of services or membership or fundraising solicitations for related organization(s)

**m** Performance of services or membership or fundraising solicitations by related organization(s)

**n** Sharing of facilities, equipment, mailing lists, or other assets with related organization(s)

**o** Sharing of paid employees with related organization(s)

**p** Reimbursement paid to related organization(s) for expenses

**q** Reimbursement paid by related organization(s) for expenses

**r** Other transfer of cash or property to related organization(s)

**s** Other transfer of cash or property from related organization(s)

**2** If the answer to any of the above is "Yes," see the instructions for information on who must complete this line, including covered relationships and transaction thresholds

	(a) Name of related organization	(b) Transaction type (a-s)	(c) Amount involved	(d) Method of determining amount involved	Yes	No
(1)	VERMONT COMMUNITY FOUNDATION	M	102,500. CASH			X
(2)	VERMONT COMMUNITY FOUNDATION	N	0.			X
(3)						X
(4)						X
(5)						X
(6)						X



**Part VII** Supplemental Information

Provide additional information for responses to questions on Schedule R (see instructions).

Multiple horizontal lines for supplemental information.