

Form **990-EZ**Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Change of Accounting Period **Short Form**
Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax
Under section 501(c), 527, or 4947(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code
(except private foundations)

▶ Do not enter social security numbers on this form as it may be made public.

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A For the 2017 calendar year, or tax year beginning 1/01, 2017, and ending 7/31, 2017	
B Check if applicable: <input type="checkbox"/> Address change <input type="checkbox"/> Name change <input type="checkbox"/> Initial return <input type="checkbox"/> Final return/terminated <input type="checkbox"/> Amended return <input type="checkbox"/> Application pending	C FarmShare Austin 3608 River Road Cedar Creek, TX 78612
D Employer identification number 46-1200713	E Telephone number (512) 337-2211
F Group Exemption Number. ▶	
G Accounting Method: <input type="checkbox"/> Cash <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Accrual Other (specify) ▶	
I Website: ▶ farmshareaustin.org	
J Tax-exempt status (check only one) — <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 501(c)(3) <input type="checkbox"/> 501(c) () ◀(insert no.) <input type="checkbox"/> 4947(a)(1) or <input type="checkbox"/> 527	
H Check <input type="checkbox"/> if the organization is not required to attach Schedule B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF).	
K Form of organization: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Corporation <input type="checkbox"/> Trust <input type="checkbox"/> Association <input type="checkbox"/> Other	
L Add lines 5b, 6c, and 7b to line 9 to determine gross receipts. If gross receipts are \$200,000 or more, or if total assets (Part II, column (B) below) are \$500,000 or more, file Form 990 instead of Form 990-EZ. ▶ \$ 169,244.	

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

REVENUE	1 Contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts received	1	135,853.
	2 Program service revenue including government fees and contracts	2	28,891.
	3 Membership dues and assessments	3	
	4 Investment income	4	
	5a Gross amount from sale of assets other than inventory	5a	
	b Less: cost or other basis and sales expenses	5b	
	c Gain or (loss) from sale of assets other than inventory (Subtract line 5b from line 5a)	5c	
	6 Gaming and fundraising events		
	a Gross income from gaming (attach Schedule G if greater than \$15,000)	6a	
	b Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ 9,690. of contributions from fundraising events reported on line 1) (attach Schedule G if the sum of such gross income and contributions exceeds \$15,000)	6b	3,704.
c Less: direct expenses from gaming and fundraising events	6c	3,704.	
d Net income or (loss) from gaming and fundraising events (add lines 6a and 6b and subtract line 6c)	6d		
7a Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances	7a		
b Less: cost of goods sold	7b		
c Gross profit or (loss) from sales of inventory (Subtract line 7b from line 7a)	7c		
8 Other revenue (describe in Schedule O) See Schedule O	8	796.	
9 Total revenue. Add lines 1, 2, 3, 4, 5c, 6d, 7c, and 8. ▶	9	165,540.	
EXPENSES	10 Grants and similar amounts paid (list in Schedule O)	10	
	11 Benefits paid to or for members	11	
	12 Salaries, other compensation, and employee benefits	12	72,097.
	13 Professional fees and other payments to independent contractors	13	9,383.
	14 Occupancy, rent, utilities, and maintenance	14	
	15 Printing, publications, postage, and shipping	15	34.
	16 Other expenses (describe in Schedule O) See Schedule O	16	56,859.
	17 Total expenses. Add lines 10 through 16. ▶	17	138,373.
ASSETS	18 Excess or (deficit) for the year (Subtract line 17 from line 9)	18	27,167.
	19 Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (from line 27, column (A)) (must agree with end-of-year figure reported on prior year's return)	19	106,959.
	20 Other changes in net assets or fund balances (explain in Schedule O)	20	
	21 Net assets or fund balances at end of year. Combine lines 18 through 20. ▶	21	134,126.

BAA For Paperwork Reduction Act Notice, see the separate instructions.

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

		(A) Beginning of year	(B) End of year
22	Cash, savings, and investments	28,021.	22 86,762.
23	Land and buildings	37,640.	23 35,054.
24	Other assets (describe in Schedule O) See Schedule O	53,986.	24 26,138.
25	Total assets	119,647.	25 147,954.
26	Total liabilities (describe in Schedule O) See Schedule O	12,688.	26 13,828.
27	Net assets or fund balances (line 27 of column (B) must agree with line 21)	106,959.	27 134,126.

Part III	Statement of Program Service Accomplishments (see the instructions for Part III)
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Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part III. ☒

What is the organization's primary exempt purpose? See Schedule O

Describe the organization's program service accomplishments for each of its three largest program services, as measured by expenses. In a clear and concise manner, describe the services provided, the number of persons benefited, and other relevant information for each program title.

Expenses

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

28	FarmShare Austin trained new organic farmers, preserved farmland, and increased access to local food.		
	(Grants \$) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here	<input type="checkbox"/>	28 a 113,746.
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	(Grants \$) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here	<input type="checkbox"/>	29 a
30			
	(Grants \$) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here	<input type="checkbox"/>	30 a
31	Other program services (describe in Schedule O)		
	(Grants \$) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here	<input type="checkbox"/>	31 a
32	Total program service expenses (add lines 28a through 31a)	<input type="checkbox"/>	32 113,746.

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

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

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

	Yes	No
33 Did the organization engage in any significant activity not previously reported to the IRS? If 'Yes,' provide a detailed description of each activity in Schedule O.		X
34 Were any significant changes made to the organizing or governing documents? If 'Yes,' attach a conformed copy of the amended documents if they reflect a change to the organization's name. Otherwise, explain the change on Schedule O (see instructions) See Schedule O	X	
35a Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year from business activities (such as those reported on lines 2, 6a, and 7a, among others)?		X
b If 'Yes,' to line 35a, has the organization filed a Form 990-T for the year? If 'No,' provide an explanation in Schedule O		
c Was the organization a section 501(c)(4), 501(c)(5), or 501(c)(6) organization subject to section 6033(e) notice, reporting, and proxy tax requirements during the year? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule C, Part III		X
36 Did the organization undergo a liquidation, dissolution, termination, or significant disposition of net assets during the year? If 'Yes,' complete applicable parts of Schedule N		X
37a Enter amount of political expenditures, direct or indirect, as described in the instructions. ▶ 37a 0.		
b Did the organization file Form 1120-POL for this year?		X
38a Did the organization borrow from, or make any loans to, any officer, director, trustee, or key employee or were any such loans made in a prior year and still outstanding at the end of the tax year covered by this return?		X
b If 'Yes,' complete Schedule L, Part II and enter the total amount involved. 38b N/A		
39 Section 501(c)(7) organizations. Enter:		
a Initiation fees and capital contributions included on line 9		N/A
b Gross receipts, included on line 9, for public use of club facilities		N/A
40a Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Enter amount of tax imposed on the organization during the year under: section 4911 ▶ 0.; section 4912 ▶ 0.; section 4955 ▶ 0.		
b Section 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations. Did the organization engage in any section 4958 excess benefit transaction during the year, or did it engage in an excess benefit transaction in a prior year that has not been reported on any of its prior Forms 990 or 990-EZ? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule L, Part I		X
c Section 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations. Enter amount of tax imposed on organization managers or disqualified persons during the year under sections 4912, 4955, and 4958. ▶ 0.		
d Section 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations. Enter amount of tax on line 40c reimbursed by the organization		0.
e All organizations. At any time during the tax year, was the organization a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction? If 'Yes,' complete Form 8886-T.		X
41 List the states with which a copy of this return is filed ▶ None		

42a The organization's books are in care of ▶ <u>Andrea Abel</u> Telephone no. ▶ <u>(512) 422-1915</u> Located at ▶ <u>3608 River Road Cedar Creek TX</u> ZIP + 4 ▶ <u>78612</u>		
b At any time during the calendar year, did the organization have an interest in or a signature or other authority over a financial account in a foreign country (such as a bank account, securities account, or other financial account)?		X
If 'Yes,' enter the name of the foreign country: ▶ _____		
See the instructions for exceptions and filing requirements for FinCEN Form 114, Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts (FBAR).		
c At any time during the calendar year, did the organization maintain an office outside the United States?		X
If 'Yes,' enter the name of the foreign country: ▶ _____		

43 Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts filing Form 990-EZ in lieu of Form 1041 — Check here ▶ <input type="checkbox"/> N/A and enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the tax year. ▶ 43 N/A		
44a Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds during the year? If 'Yes,' Form 990 must be completed instead of Form 990-EZ		X
b Did the organization operate one or more hospital facilities during the year? If 'Yes,' Form 990 must be completed instead of Form 990-EZ		X
c Did the organization receive any payments for indoor tanning services during the year?		X
d If 'Yes' to line 44c, has the organization filed a Form 720 to report these payments? If 'No,' provide an explanation in Schedule O.		
45a Did the organization have a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)?		X
b Did the organization receive any payment from or engage in any transaction with a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? If 'Yes,' Form 990 and Schedule R may need to be completed instead of Form 990-EZ (see instructions)		X

46 Did the organization engage, directly or indirectly, in political campaign activities on behalf of or in opposition to candidates for public office? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule C, Part I.

	Yes	No
46		X

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

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

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

47 Did the organization engage in lobbying activities or have a section 501(h) election in effect during the tax year? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule C, Part II.

	Yes	No
47		X

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

(a) Name and business address of each independent contractor	(b) Type of service	(c) Compensation
None		

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

52 Did the organization complete Schedule A? **Note:** All section 501(c)(3) organizations must attach a completed Schedule A.

▶ ☒ Yes ☐ No

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

Sign Here	CLIENT COPY			
	Signature of officer	Date		
	Andrea Abel		Executive Director	
	Type or print name and title			
Paid Preparer Use Only	Print/Type preparer's name	Preparer's signature	Date	Check <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> if self-employed PTIN
	Gary Joseph Jack			P00184408
	Firm's name ▶	Dunagan Jack LLP		
	Firm's address ▶	3724 Jefferson Street, Suite 307 Austin, TX 78731		
			Firm's EIN ▶	74-2981758
			Phone no.	(512) 420-8997

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

SCHEDULE A
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Public Charity Status and Public Support

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

▶ Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ.

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

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Name of the organization

FarmShare Austin

Employer identification number

46-1200713

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

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

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

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

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) 2013	(b) 2014	(c) 2015	(d) 2016	(e) 2017	(f) Total
1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received. (Do not include any 'unusual grants'.)	17,706.	87,294.	92,759.	134,070.	135,853.	467,682.
2 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf.						0.
3 The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge						0.
4 Total. Add lines 1 through 3.	17,706.	87,294.	92,759.	134,070.	135,853.	467,682.
5 The portion of total contributions by each person (other than a governmental unit or publicly supported organization) included on line 1 that exceeds 2% of the amount shown on line 11, column (f).						69,376.
6 Public support. Subtract line 5 from line 4.						398,306.

Section B. Total Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ▶	(a) 2013	(b) 2014	(c) 2015	(d) 2016	(e) 2017	(f) Total
7 Amounts from line 4.	17,706.	87,294.	92,759.	134,070.	135,853.	467,682.
8 Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties, and income from similar sources.						0.
9 Net income from unrelated business activities, whether or not the business is regularly carried on.						0.
10 Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part VI.) See Part VI.		39.	1,695.	348.	796.	2,878.
11 Total support. Add lines 7 through 10.						470,560.
12 Gross receipts from related activities, etc. (see instructions).						108,753.
13 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 ▶ <input type="checkbox"/>						

Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage

14 Public support percentage for 2017 (line 6, column (f) divided by line 11, column (f)).	14	84.65 %
15 Public support percentage from 2016 Schedule A, Part II, line 14.	15	0.00 %
16a 33-1/3% support test—2017. If the organization did not check the box on line 13, and line 14 is 33-1/3% or more, check this box and stop here . The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization. ▶ <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
b 33-1/3% support test—2016. If the organization did not check a box on line 13 or 16a, and line 15 is 33-1/3% or more, check this box and stop here . The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization. ▶ <input type="checkbox"/>		
17a 10%-facts-and-circumstances test—2017. If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, or 16b, and line 14 is 10% or more, and if the organization meets the 'facts-and-circumstances' test, check this box and stop here . Explain in Part VI how the organization meets the 'facts-and-circumstances' test. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization. ▶ <input type="checkbox"/>		
b 10%-facts-and-circumstances test—2016. If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, 16b, or 17a, and line 15 is 10% or more, and if the organization meets the 'facts-and-circumstances' test, check this box and stop here . Explain in Part VI how the organization meets the 'facts-and-circumstances' test. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization. ▶ <input type="checkbox"/>		
18 Private foundation. If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, 16b, 17a, or 17b, check this box and see instructions. ▶ <input type="checkbox"/>		

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

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

Section A. Public Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ▶	(a) 2013	(b) 2014	(c) 2015	(d) 2016	(e) 2017	(f) Total
1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received. (Do not include any 'unusual grants'.)						
2 Gross receipts from admissions, merchandise sold or services performed, or facilities furnished in any activity that is related to the organization's tax-exempt purpose.						
3 Gross receipts from activities that are not an unrelated trade or business under section 513.						
4 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf.						
5 The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge.						
6 Total. Add lines 1 through 5.						
7a Amounts included on lines 1, 2, and 3 received from disqualified persons.						
b Amounts included on lines 2 and 3 received from other than disqualified persons that exceed the greater of \$5,000 or 1% of the amount on line 13 for the year.						
c Add lines 7a and 7b.						
8 Public support. (Subtract line 7c from line 6.)						

Section B. Total Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ▶	(a) 2013	(b) 2014	(c) 2015	(d) 2016	(e) 2017	(f) Total
9 Amounts from line 6.						
10a Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties, and income from similar sources.						
b Unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 taxes) from businesses acquired after June 30, 1975.						
c Add lines 10a and 10b.						
11 Net income from unrelated business activities not included in line 10b, whether or not the business is regularly carried on.						
12 Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part VI.)						
13 Total support. (Add lines 9, 10c, 11, and 12.)						

14 First 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**

15 Public support percentage for 2017 (line 8, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f)).	15	%
16 Public support percentage from 2016 Schedule A, Part III, line 15.	16	%

Section D. Computation of Investment Income Percentage

17 Investment income percentage for 2017 (line 10c, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f)).	17	%
18 Investment income percentage from 2016 Schedule A, Part III, line 17.	18	%

19a 33-1/3% support tests—2017. 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—2016.** If the organization did not check a box on line 14 or line 19a, and line 16 is more than 33-1/3%, and line 18 is not more than 33-1/3%, check this box and **stop here**. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization. ▶ ☐**20 Private foundation.** If the organization did not check a box on line 14, 19a, or 19b, check this box and see instructions. ▶ ☐

Part IV Supporting Organizations

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

Section A. All Supporting Organizations

	Yes	No
1 Are all of the organization's supported organizations listed by name in the organization's governing documents? <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>		
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>		
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>		
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 12a or 12b in Part I, answer (b) and (c) below.</i>		
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>		
b Type I or Type II only. Was any added or substituted supported organization part of a class already designated in the organization's organizing document?		
c Substitutions only. Was the substitution the result of an event beyond the organization's control?		
6 Did the organization provide support (whether in the form of grants or the provision of services or facilities) to anyone other than (i) its supported organizations, (ii) individuals that are part of the charitable class benefited by one or more of its supported organizations, or (iii) other supporting organizations that also support or benefit one or more of the filing organization's supported organizations? <i>If 'Yes,' provide detail in Part VI.</i>		
7 Did the organization provide a grant, loan, compensation, or other similar payment to a substantial contributor (defined in section 4958(c)(3)(C)), a family member of a substantial contributor, or a 35% controlled entity with regard to a substantial contributor? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Part I of Schedule L (Form 990 or 990-EZ).</i>		
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 or 990-EZ).</i>		
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>		
b Did one or more disqualified persons (as defined in line 9a) hold a controlling interest in any entity in which the supporting organization had an interest? <i>If 'Yes,' provide detail in Part VI.</i>		
c Did a disqualified person (as defined in line 9a) have an ownership interest in, or derive any personal benefit from, assets in which the supporting organization also had an interest? <i>If 'Yes,' provide detail in Part VI.</i>		
10a Was the organization subject to the excess business holdings rules of section 4943 because of section 4943(f) (regarding certain Type II supporting organizations, and all Type III non-functionally integrated supporting organizations)? <i>If 'Yes,' answer 10b below.</i>		
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?		
b A family member of a person described in (a) above?		
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 .		

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.		
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.		

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. All Type III Supporting Organizations

	Yes	No
1 Did the organization provide to each of its supported organizations, by the last day of the fifth month of the organization's tax year, (i) a written notice describing the type and amount of support provided during the prior tax year, (ii) a copy of the Form 990 that was most recently filed as of the date of notification, and (iii) copies of the organization's governing documents in effect on the date of notification, to the extent not previously provided?		
2 Were any of the organization's officers, directors, or trustees either (i) appointed or elected by the supported organization(s) or (ii) serving on the governing body of a supported organization? If 'No,' explain in Part VI how the organization maintained a close and continuous working relationship with the supported organization(s).		
3 By reason of the relationship described in (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 (explain in Part VI). **See instructions.** All other Type III non-functionally integrated supporting organizations must complete Sections A through E.

Section A – Adjusted Net Income		(A) Prior Year	(B) Current Year (optional)
1 Net short-term capital gain	1		
2 Recoveries of prior-year distributions	2		
3 Other gross income (see instructions)	3		
4 Add lines 1 through 3.	4		
5 Depreciation and depletion	5		
6 Portion of operating expenses paid or incurred for production or collection of gross income or for management, conservation, or maintenance of property held for production of income (see instructions)	6		
7 Other expenses (see instructions)	7		
8 Adjusted Net Income (subtract lines 5, 6, and 7 from line 4).	8		

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

Section C – Distributable Amount			Current Year
1 Adjusted net income for prior year (from Section A, line 8, Column A)	1		
2 Enter 85% of line 1.	2		
3 Minimum asset amount for prior year (from Section B, line 8, Column A)	3		
4 Enter greater of line 2 or line 3.	4		
5 Income tax imposed in prior year	5		
6 Distributable Amount. Subtract line 5 from line 4, unless subject to emergency temporary reduction (see instructions).	6		
7 <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).			

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Schedule A (Form 990 or 990-EZ) 2017

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 Total annual distributions. 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 2017 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-2017	(iii) Distributable Amount for 2017
1 Distributable amount for 2017 from Section C, line 6			
2 Underdistributions, if any, for years prior to 2017 (reasonable cause required – explain in Part VI). See instructions.			
3 Excess distributions carryover, if any, to 2017			
a			
b From 2013			
c From 2014			
d From 2015			
e From 2016			
f Total of lines 3a through e			
g Applied to underdistributions of prior years			
h Applied to 2017 distributable amount			
i Carryover from 2012 not applied (see instructions)			
j Remainder. Subtract lines 3g, 3h, and 3i from 3f.			
4 Distributions for 2017 from Section D, line 7: \$			
a Applied to underdistributions of prior years			
b Applied to 2017 distributable amount			
c Remainder. Subtract lines 4a and 4b from 4.			
5 Remaining underdistributions for years prior to 2017, if any. Subtract lines 3g and 4a from line 2. For result greater than zero, explain in Part VI. See instructions.			
6 Remaining underdistributions for 2017. Subtract lines 3h and 4b from line 1. For result greater than zero, explain in Part VI. See instructions.			
7 Excess distributions carryover to 2018. Add lines 3j and 4c.			
8 Breakdown of line 7:			
a Excess from 2013			
b Excess from 2014			
c Excess from 2015			
d Excess from 2016			
e Excess from 2017			

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

Part II, Line 10 - Other Income

Nature and Source	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013
Other revenues	\$ 796.	\$ 348.	\$ 1,695.	\$ 39.	
Total	<u>\$ 796.</u>	<u>\$ 348.</u>	<u>\$ 1,695.</u>	<u>\$ 39.</u>	<u>\$ 0.</u>

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

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

PUBLIC DISCLOSURE COPY
Schedule of Contributors

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

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2017

Name of the organization

FarmShare Austin

Employer identification number

46-1200713

Organization type (check one):

Filers of:

Form 990 or 990-EZ

Section:

- ☒ 501(c)(3) (enter number) organization
☐ 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust **not** treated as a private foundation
☐ 527 political organization

Form 990-PF

- ☐ 501(c)(3) exempt private foundation
☐ 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust treated as a private foundation
☐ 501(c)(3) taxable private foundation

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

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

General Rule

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

Special Rules

- ☒ For an organization described in section 501(c)(3) filing Form 990 or 990-EZ that met the 33-1/3% support test of the regulations under sections 509(a)(1) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi), that checked Schedule A (Form 990 or 990-EZ), Part II, line 13, 16a, or 16b, and that received from any one contributor, during the year, total contributions of the greater of (1) \$5,000 or (2) 2% of the amount on (i) Form 990, Part VIII, line 1h; or (ii) Form 990-EZ, line 1. Complete Parts I and II.
- ☐ For an organization described in section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) filing Form 990 or 990-EZ that received from any one contributor, during the year, total contributions of more than \$1,000 *exclusively* for religious, charitable, scientific, literary, or educational purposes, or for the prevention of cruelty to children or animals. Complete Parts I, II, and III.
- ☐ For an organization described in section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) filing Form 990 or 990-EZ that received from any one contributor, during the year, contributions *exclusively* for religious, charitable, etc., purposes, but no such contributions totaled more than \$1,000. If this box is checked, enter here the total contributions that were received during the year for an *exclusively* religious, charitable, etc., purpose. Don't complete any of the parts unless the **General Rule** applies to this organization because it received *nonexclusively* religious, charitable, etc., contributions totaling \$5,000 or more during the year ► \$ _____

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

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

Schedule B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF) (2017)

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

(a) Number	(b) Name, address, and ZIP + 4	(c) Total contributions	(d) Type of contribution
1		\$ 5,000.	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
2		\$ 10,000.	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
3		\$ 61,838.	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
4		\$ 18,864.	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
5		\$ 15,000.	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
6		\$ 5,000.	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)

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Part II

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

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

Use duplicate copies of Part III if additional space is needed.

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

SCHEDULE O
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Name of the organization

Supplemental Information to Form 990 or 990-EZComplete to provide information for responses to specific questions on
Form 990 or 990-EZ or to provide any additional information.
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Form 990-EZ, Part I, Line 8
Other Revenue

Other revenues.....	\$	796.
Total	\$	<u>796.</u>

Form 990-EZ, Part I, Line 16
Other Expenses

Advertising and Promotion.....	\$	443.
Bad debt expense.....		3,049.
Depreciation.....		2,496.
Equipment expenses.....		2,632.
Facilities & utilities.....		7,034.
Gas (Fuel).....		2,974.
Insurance.....		5,781.
Office supplies.....		209.
Other expenses.....		4,530.
Payroll provider fees.....		821.
Produce resale.....		12,506.
Program supplies.....		14,384.
Total	\$	<u>56,859.</u>

Form 990-EZ, Part II, Line 24
Other Assets

	<u>Beginning</u>	<u>Ending</u>
Accounts Receivable.....	\$ 33,922.	\$ 7,697.
Automobiles.....	9,988.	9,401.
Furniture and Fixtures.....	561.	0.
Machinery and Equipment.....	9,515.	9,040.
Total	<u>\$ 53,986.</u>	<u>\$ 26,138.</u>

Form 990-EZ, Part II, Line 26
Total Liabilities

	<u>Beginning</u>	<u>Ending</u>
Accounts Payable and Accrued Expenses.....	\$ 9,236.	\$ 11,328.
Deferred Revenue.....	3,452.	2,500.
Total	<u>\$ 12,688.</u>	<u>\$ 13,828.</u>

Form 990-EZ, Part III - Organization's Primary Exempt Purpose

FarmShare Austin's mission is to grow a healthy local food community by teaching new farmers, increasing food access, and preserving farmland. We envision a future of resilient local food economies that provide farmers with livable incomes, value the resources needed to farm, and ensure organic food access. FarmShare Austin builds bridges between the produce grown on its 10-acre certified organic farm in

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Form 990-EZ, Part III - Organization's Primary Exempt Purpose (continued)

Eastern Travis County and food access programs reaching food insecure communities in Central Texas.

Form 990-EZ, Part V - Regarding Transfers Associated with Personal Benefit Contracts

(a) Did the organization, during the year, receive any funds, directly or indirectly, to pay premiums on a personal benefit contract?..... No

(b) Did the organization, during the year, pay premiums, directly or indirectly, on a personal benefit contract?..... No

Form 990-EZ, Part V, Line 34 - Changes to Organizing or Governing Documents

Amended bylaws attached.

BYLAWS FOR FARMSHARE AUSTIN, A TEXAS NONPROFIT CORPORATION
(as amended through 9/6/2017)

ARTICLE I

These bylaws constitute the code of rules adopted by FarmShare Austin for the regulation and management of its affairs.

ARTICLE II

Purpose

FarmShare Austin (the Corporation) is a Texas nonprofit corporation dedicated to providing charitable, educational, and research services for the Austin, Texas community. Through these activities, the Corporation strives to ensure all members of the Austin, Texas community have access to highly nutritious, locally grown, organic produce now and in the future.

ARTICLE III

Board of Directors

(1) Powers

The Board of Directors (Directors) of this Corporation is vested with the management of the business and affairs of this Corporation, subject to the Texas Business Organizations Code, the Certificate of Formation, and these bylaws.

(2) Qualifications

Directorships shall not be denied to any person on the basis of race, creed, sex, religion, or national origin. Employees of the Corporation are ineligible to serve on the Board of Directors.

(3) Number of Directors

The Board of Directors will consist of a minimum of five and a maximum of thirteen Directors. Upon majority resolution of the Board of Directors, the number of Directors may be increased or decreased from time to time, but in no event shall a decrease have the effect of shortening the term of an incumbent Director, or decreasing the total number of Directors to less than three Directors. Until the first meeting for electing the Directors occurs, the initial Board of Directors shall consist of the persons listed in the Certificate of Formation as constituting the initial Board.

(4) Term of Directors (amended 6/29/2017)

Directors shall serve terms of two years each, with a maximum of two terms consecutively (maximum 4 years). Before again serving as a Director, the individual must be off the board for at least one year before serving again.

(5) Election of Directors

Elections for Directors filling expired terms shall be held at the last meeting of the fiscal year. Any directorship to be filled by reason of an increase in the number of Directors shall be filled at the next regular meeting of the Board of Directors or at a special meeting called for that purpose. When a re-appointment or replacement is made, the re-appointment or replacement shall be considered effective on the date that the prior term expired (i.e., the new term does not begin on the date of the election). Board members whose terms have expired may continue serving until they are either re-appointed or until their successors are chosen.

(6) Staggered Terms

There shall be staggered terms of office for Directors. The system for staggered terms of office shall be implemented as follows: Officers shall have an initial term of two years and the remaining board members shall have an initial term of one year.

(7) Resignation

Any Director may resign at any time by delivering written notice to the Secretary or President/Chair of the Board of Directors. Such resignation shall take effect upon receipt or, if later, at the time specified in the notice.

(8) Removal

Any Director may be removed without cause, at any time, by a majority of the entire Board of Directors, at a Regular or Special Meeting called for that purpose. Any Director under consideration of removal must first be notified about the consideration by written notice at least five days prior to the meeting at which the vote takes place.

(9) Vacancies

Vacancies shall be filled by majority vote of the remaining members of the Board of Directors, though less than a quorum, and the Director filling the vacancy shall serve for the remainder of the term of the directorship that was vacated. Vacancies shall be filled as soon as practical. Any Director may make nominations to fill vacant directorships.

(10) Compensation

Directors shall not receive any salaries or other compensation for their services, but, by resolution of the Board of Directors, may be reimbursed for any actual expenses incurred in the performance of their duties for the Corporation, as long as a majority of disinterested Board of Directors approve the reimbursement. The Corporation shall not loan money or property to, or guarantee the obligation of, any Director.

(11) Advisory Board

The Board may at any time by majority vote authorize the formation and appointment of an advisory board of one or more individuals, each of whom shall serve as an ex officio member of the Board of Directors. Such persons shall be denominated as members of the Advisory Board of the Corporation, and each shall be selected by the Board from time to time based on the determination by the Board that the appointment of such person to the Advisory Board would benefit the Corporation and the Board of Directors. Each

Advisory Board member shall be given notice of, and invited to attend, meetings of the Board of Directors as the Board may determine from time to time. An Advisory Board member shall not be entitled to vote but shall be invited to provide recommendations and advice to the Board on all matters. Advisory Board members shall have no duties to the Corporation and shall have no liabilities of any kind to the Corporation by virtue of being members of the Advisory Board. Each Advisory Board member shall be appointed for a term of two years. Advisory Board members may serve multiple terms. Any Advisory Board member may resign at any time by delivering written notice to the Secretary or to the Board of Directors. Members of the Advisory Board may be also be removed by the majority vote of the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE IV **Committees**

(1) Executive Committee

The Board of Directors may designate and appoint an Executive Committee consisting of the President/Chair, Treasurer, and Secretary of the Corporation. If appointed, the Executive Committee shall have the authority to act on behalf of the Corporation in between Regular Meetings of the Board of Directors. If appointed, the Board of Directors must validate the actions of the Executive Committee at its next Regular or Special Meeting. Any such action not so validated will not be legally binding on the Corporation. The President/Chair shall act as chairperson of the Executive Committee. A majority of the Executive Committee shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, and all decisions shall be by majority vote of those present.

(2) Committees

The Board of Directors may from time to time designate and appoint standing or temporary committees by majority vote of the Board of Directors, including a Governance Committee, a Development Committee, a Finance Committee, and such other committees as the Board may determine. Such committees shall have and exercise such prescribed authority as is designated by the Board of Directors. The Directors may authorize these committees to exercise any powers, responsibilities, and duties consistent with the Certificate of Formation and these bylaws. Committee meetings shall be open to all members of the Board of Directors. Each standing committee shall have at least one Director as a member, and any committee may include members who are not Directors. Committees shall meet upon call of the Board of Directors or the chair of the Committee, review the activities of the Corporation in the Committee's respective areas, and make recommendations to the Board of Directors for the Board's final approval.

ARTICLE V **Conflict of Interest Policy**

The Corporation and its Directors and Employees will comply with the Corporation's Conflict of Interest Policy, attached as Exhibit A.

ARTICLE VI

Board Meetings

(1) Place of Board Meetings

Regular and Special Meetings of the Board of Directors will be held at any place that the President/Chair may designate.

(2) Regular and Special Meetings

Regular meetings of the Board of Directors shall be held each month, or more frequently as deemed necessary by the Board of Directors. Special Meetings may be called by the President/Chair or any three Directors. An orientation meeting will be held each year for the new members of the Board of Directors.

(3) Notice of Board Meetings

Notice of the date, time, and place of Regular Meetings shall be given to each board member by regular mail, telephone (including voice mail), facsimile, or e-mail no less than three days notice prior to the meeting. Notice of the date, time, and place of special meetings shall be given to each board member using the same methods, but with no less than one-day notice prior to the meeting, with the exception of special meetings held to amend the Certificate of Formation or bylaws, for which a ten-day written notice by mail or facsimile shall be required specifying the proposed amendment.

(4) Waiver of Notice

Attendance by a Director at any meeting of the Board of Directors for which the Director did not receive the required notice will constitute a waiver of notice of such meeting unless the Director objects at the beginning of the meeting to the transaction of business on the grounds that the meeting was not lawfully called or convened.

(5) Quorum

Two-thirds of the incumbent Directors (not counting vacancies) shall constitute a quorum for the purposes of convening a meeting or conducting business. At Board meetings where a quorum is present, a two-thirds vote of the Directors attending shall constitute an act of the Board unless a greater number is required by the Certificate of Formation or by any provision of these bylaws.

(6) Actions without a Meeting

Any action required or permitted to be taken by the Board of Directors under the Texas Business Organizations Code, the Certificate of Formation, and these bylaws may be taken without a meeting, by unanimous written consent.

(7) Open Meetings

The Board shall determine in advance which meetings, if any, of the Board shall be open to attendance by the general public. Any decision to hold an open meeting shall be made

prior to or at the beginning of the meeting, and in no event shall an open meeting be held when any personnel, real estate, or litigation matters are to be discussed at the meeting.

- (8) **Proxy Voting Prohibited**
Proxy voting is not permitted.

ARTICLE VII

Officers

- (1) **Roster of Officers**
The Corporation shall have a President/Chair, Secretary, and Treasurer. The Corporation may have, at the discretion of the Board of Directors, such other officers as may be appointed by the Directors. One person may hold two or more offices, except those serving as President/Chair or Secretary.
- (2) **Election and Removal of Officers**
All officers shall serve one-year terms. The election shall be conducted at the Board of Directors' first meeting of the fiscal year and following the election of the new Board of Directors filling expired terms, or as soon as practical thereafter. Officers shall remain in office until their successors have been selected. Officers may serve consecutive terms without limit. The election of officers shall be by majority vote of the Board of Directors attending the meeting.
- (3) **Vacancies**
If a vacancy occurs during the term of office for any elected officer, the Board of Directors shall elect a new officer to fill the remainder of the term as soon as practical, by majority vote of Directors present.
- (4) **President/Chair**
* The President/Chair will supervise and control the affairs of the Corporation and shall exercise such supervisory powers as may be given her by the Board of Directors.
* The President/Chair will perform all duties incident to such office and such other duties as may be provided in these bylaws or as may be prescribed from time to time by the Board of Directors. The President/Chair shall preside at all board meetings.
* The President/Chair shall serve as an ex-officio member of all standing committees, unless otherwise provided by the Board of Directors or these bylaws.
* The President/Chair shall, with the advice of the Board of Directors and in accordance with the requirements of these bylaws, set the agenda for each meeting of the Board of Directors.
- (5) **Secretary**
* The Secretary will perform all duties incident to the office of Secretary and such other duties as may be required by law, by the Certificate of Formation, or by these bylaws.
* The Secretary shall attest to and keep the bylaws and other legal records of the Corporation, or copies thereof, at the principal office of the Corporation.

- * The Secretary shall take or ensure that someone takes minutes of all meetings of the committees and Board of Directors, and shall keep copies of all minutes at the principal office of the Corporation.
- * The Secretary shall keep a record of the names and addresses of the Directors at the principal office of the Corporation.
- * The Secretary shall, with the approval of the Board of Directors, set up procedures for any elections held by the Corporation. The Secretary shall keep a record of all votes cast in such elections.
- * The Secretary shall ensure that all records of the Corporation, minutes of all official meetings, and records of all votes, are made available for inspection by any member of the Board of Directors at the principal office of the Corporation during regular business hours.
- * The Secretary shall see that all notices are duly given in accordance with these bylaws or as required by law.
- * The Secretary shall see that all books, reports, statements, certificates, and other documents and records of the Corporation are properly kept and filed.
- * In the case of the absence or disability of the Secretary, or the Secretary's refusal or neglect to fulfill the duties of Secretary, the Vice President/Chair shall perform the functions of the Secretary.

(6) Treasurer

- * The Treasurer will have charge and custody of all funds of the Corporation, will oversee and supervise the financial business of the Corporation, will render reports and accountings to the Directors as required by the Board of Directors, and will perform in general all duties incident to the office of Treasurer and such other duties as may be required by law, by the Certificate of Formation, or by these bylaws, or which may be assigned from time to time by the Board of Directors.
- * The Treasurer shall give to the Corporation a bond with one or more sureties for the faithful performance of the duties of the office and for the restoration to the Corporation—in the case of his or her death, resignation, retirement, or removal from office—all books, papers, vouchers, money, and other property of whatever kind in his or her possession or under his control belonging to the Corporation. The amount of the bond shall be determined by the Board of Directors.
- * The Treasurer and the staff of the Corporation shall devise a plan providing for the acceptance and disbursement of all funds of the Corporation, which shall be approved by the Board of Directors.
- * The Treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Directors, shall set up all checking, savings, and investment accounts of the Corporation and deposit all such funds in the name of the Corporation in such accounts.
- * The Treasurer's signature shall be the authorized signature for all checking, savings, and investment accounts of the Corporation unless the Treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Directors, designates another member of the Board of Directors or employee of the Corporation as the authorized signatory for a particular type of disbursement.

- * The Treasurer shall prepare a monthly report for the Board of Directors, providing an accounting of all transactions and of the financial conditions of the Corporation.
- * The Treasurer shall keep all financing records, books, and annual reports of the financial activities of the Corporation at the principal office of the Corporation and make them available at the request of any Director or member of the public during regular business hours for inspection and copying.

ARTICLE VIII

Rules of Procedure

The proceedings and business of the Board of Directors will be operated at the discretion of the meeting presider unless otherwise provided herein.

ARTICLE IX

Executive Director

The Board of Directors may, upon resolution, appoint an Executive Director to serve at the board's discretion and to carry out whatever tasks the board from time to time resolves. The Executive Director shall be paid an annual salary set by the Board of Directors. Subject to such supervisory powers as are vested in the Board of Directors, the Executive Director shall supervise, direct, and control the business of the Corporation and actively manage its business, and shall have such other powers and duties as may be prescribed by the Board of Directors or by these bylaws.

The Executive Director may engage in negotiations involving commitments of the resources of the Corporation or the acceptance of money or resources by the Corporation in furtherance of the purposes of the Corporation as set out in the Certificate of Formation and these bylaws. The Executive Director shall generally be expected to attend all meetings of the Board of Directors and meetings of the general membership.

ARTICLE X

Indemnification

(1) Insurance

The Corporation may provide indemnification insurance for its Board members, and the Board shall select the amount and limits of such insurance policy.

(2) Indemnification

To the extent permitted by law, any person (and the heirs, executors, and administrators of such person) made or threatened to be made a party to any action, suit, or proceeding by reason of the fact that he is or was a Director or Officer of the Corporation shall be indemnified by the Corporation against any and all liability and the reasonable expenses, including attorney's fees and disbursements, incurred by him (or by his heirs, executors or administrators) in connection with the defense or settlement of such action, suit, or proceeding, or in connection with any appearance therein.

(3) Limits on Indemnification

Notwithstanding the above, the corporation will indemnify a person only if he acted in good faith and reasonably believed that his conduct was in the corporation's best interests. In the case of a criminal proceeding, the person may be indemnified only if he had no reasonable cause to believe his conduct was unlawful.

ARTICLE XI
Operations

(1) Execution of Documents

Unless specifically authorized by the Board of Directors or as otherwise required by law, all final contracts, deeds, conveyances, leases, promissory notes, or legal written instruments executed in the name of and on behalf of the Corporation shall be signed and executed by the President/Chair (or such other person designated by the Board of Directors) as well as the Executive Director or another member of the Board of Directors, pursuant to the general authorization of the Board. All conveyances of land by deed shall be signed by the President/Chair or two other members of Executive Committee and must be approved by a resolution of the Board of Directors.

(2) Disbursement of Funds

Financial Transactions shall require majority approval of the Board of Directors, or the Executive Committee if a majority of the Board of Directors is not immediately available to vote on the transaction, except that once an Executive Director is hired, he or she may enter into financial transactions of less than \$2,500 in accordance with the Corporation's annual budget approved by the Board of Directors and the purposes of the Corporation as set out in the Certificate of Formation and these bylaws. Notwithstanding the above, all checks disbursing funds from any of the Corporation's accounts shall require the signatures of at least two of the following: the Executive Director, President/Chair, Secretary, and Treasurer.

(3) Records

The Corporation will keep correct and complete records of account and will also keep minutes of the proceedings of the Board meetings and Committees. The Corporation will keep at its principal place of business the original or a copy of its bylaws, including amendments to date certified by the Secretary of the Corporation.

(4) Inspection of Books and Records

All books and records of this Corporation may be inspected by any Director for any purpose at any reasonable time on written demand.

(5) Loans to Management

The Corporation will make no loans to any of its Directors or Officers.

(6) Amendments

The Board of Directors may adopt amendments to the Certificate of Formation by a vote of two-thirds of Directors present at a meeting where a quorum is present. The bylaws may be amended at any time by a two-thirds vote of the Directors at a meeting where a quorum is present.

(7) Fiscal Year

The fiscal year for the Corporation will be August 1 to July 31.

(8) Audit

The Corporation shall have an annual audit or financial review to be completed by May 1st of each year for the previous fiscal year.

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that these bylaws were adopted by the Board of Directors of FarmShare Austin and include all amendments approved by the Board up to and including its meeting held on September 6, 2017.

Secretary

EXHIBIT A
Conflict of Interest Policy
for FarmShare Austin

ARTICLE I
Purpose

The purpose of the conflict of interest policy is to protect the interest of FarmShare Austin (FarmShare), a tax-exempt organization, when it is contemplating entering into a transaction or arrangement that might benefit the private interest of an officer or director of FarmShare or might result in a possible excess benefit transaction. This policy is intended to supplement but not replace any applicable state and federal laws governing conflict of interest applicable to nonprofit and charitable organizations.

ARTICLE II
Definitions

(1) Interested Person

Any director, principal officer, or member of a committee with governing board delegated powers, who has a direct or indirect financial interest, as defined below, is an interested person.

(2) Financial Interest

A person has a financial interest if the person has, directly or indirectly, through business, investment, or family:

- a. An ownership or investment interest in any entity with which FarmShare has a transaction or arrangement,
- b. A compensation arrangement with FarmShare or with any entity or individual with which FarmShare has a transaction or arrangement, or
- c. A potential ownership or investment interest in, or compensation arrangement with, any entity or individual with which FarmShare is negotiating a transaction or arrangement.

Compensation includes direct and indirect remuneration as well as gifts or favors that are not insubstantial.

A financial interest is not necessarily a conflict of interest. Under Article III, Section 2, a person who has a financial interest may have a conflict of interest only if the appropriate governing board or committee decides that a conflict of interest exists.

ARTICLE III
Procedures

(1) Duty to Disclose

In connection with any actual or possible conflict of interest, an interested person must disclose the existence of the financial interest and be given the opportunity to disclose all

material facts to the directors and members of committees with governing board delegated powers considering the proposed transaction or arrangement.

(2) Determining Whether a Conflict of Interest Exists

After disclosure of the financial interest and all material facts, and after any discussion with the interested person, s/he shall leave the governing board or committee meeting while the determination of a conflict of interest is discussed and voted upon. The remaining board or committee members shall decide if a conflict of interest exists.

(3) Procedures for Addressing the Conflict of Interest

- a. An interested person may make a presentation at the governing board or committee meeting, but after the presentation, s/he shall leave the meeting during the discussion of, and the vote on, the transaction or arrangement involving the possible conflict of interest.
- b. The chairperson of the governing board or committee shall, if appropriate, appoint a disinterested person or committee to investigate alternatives to the proposed transaction or arrangement.
- c. After exercising due diligence, the governing board or committee shall determine whether FarmShare can obtain with reasonable efforts a more advantageous transaction or arrangement from a person or entity that would not give rise to a conflict of interest.
- d. If a more advantageous transaction or arrangement is not reasonably possible under circumstances not producing a conflict of interest, the governing board or committee shall determine by a majority vote of the disinterested directors whether the transaction or arrangement is in FarmShare's best interest, for its own benefit, and whether it is fair and reasonable.

(4) Violations of the Conflicts of Interest Policy

- a. If the governing board or committee has reasonable cause to believe a member has failed to disclose actual or possible conflicts of interest, it shall inform the member of the basis for such belief and afford the member an opportunity to explain the alleged failure to disclose.
- b. If, after hearing the member's response and after making further investigation as warranted by the circumstances, the governing board or committee determines the member has failed to disclose an actual or possible conflict of interest, it shall take appropriate disciplinary and corrective action.

ARTICLE IV
Records of Proceedings

The minutes of the governing board and all committees with board-delegated powers shall contain:

- a. The names of the persons who disclosed or otherwise were found to have a financial interest in connection with an actual or possible conflict of interest, the nature of the financial interest, any action taken to determine whether a conflict of

- interest was present, and the governing board's or committee's decision as to whether a conflict of interest in fact existed.
- b. The names of the persons who were present for discussions and votes relating to the transaction or arrangement, the content of the discussion, including any alternatives to the proposed transaction or arrangement, and a record of any votes taken in connection with the proceedings.

ARTICLE V

Compensation

- (1) A voting member of the governing board who receives compensation, directly or indirectly, from FarmShare for services is precluded from voting on matters pertaining to that member's compensation.
- (2) A voting member of any committee whose jurisdiction includes compensation matters and who receives compensation, directly or indirectly, from FarmShare for services is precluded from voting on matters pertaining to that member's compensation.

ARTICLE VI

Annual Statements

Each director, principal officer and member of a committee with powers delegated by the governing board shall annually sign a statement, attached as Exhibit B, which affirms such person:

- a. has received a copy of the conflicts of interest policy,
- b. has read and understands the policy,
- c. has agreed to comply with the policy, and
- d. understands FarmShare is charitable and in order to maintain its federal tax exemption, FarmShare must engage primarily in activities which accomplish one or more of its tax-exempt purposes.

ARTICLE VII

Periodic Reviews

To ensure FarmShare operates in a manner consistent with charitable purposes and does not engage in activities that could jeopardize its tax-exempt status, periodic reviews shall be conducted. The periodic reviews shall, at a minimum, include the following subjects:

- a. Whether compensation arrangements and benefits are reasonable, based on competent survey information, and the result of arm's length bargaining,
- b. Whether partnerships, joint ventures, and arrangements with other organizations conform to FarmShare's written policies, are properly recorded, reflect reasonable investment or payments for goods and services, further charitable purposes, and do not result in inurement, impermissible private benefit, or in an excess benefit transaction.

ARTICLE VIII
Use of Outside Experts

When conducting the periodic reviews as provided for in Article VII, FarmShare may, but need not, use outside advisors. If outside experts are used, their use shall not relieve the governing board of its responsibility for ensuring periodic reviews are conducted.

EXHIBIT B
FarmShare Austin

Director and Officer
Annual Conflict of Interest Statement

1. Name: _____ Date: _____

2. Positions with FarmShare (Director, Officer position, Committees, etc.):

3. I affirm the following:

- I have received a copy of the FarmShare Austin Conflict of Interest Policy. _____ (initial)
- I have read and understand the policy. _____ (initial)
- I agree to comply with the policy. _____ (initial)
- I understand that FarmShare Austin is charitable, and, in order to maintain its federal tax exemption, it must engage primarily in activities that accomplish one or more of its tax-exempt purposes. _____ (initial)

4. Disclosures:

a. Do you have a financial interest (current or potential), as defined in the Conflict of Interest Policy, with FarmShare Austin? Yes No

i. If yes, please describe the interest:

ii. If yes, has the financial interest been disclosed to the Board of Directors, as provided in the Conflict of Interest Policy? Yes No

b. In the past have you had a financial interest, as defined in the Conflict of Interest Policy, with FarmShare Austin? Yes No

i. If yes, please describe the interest, including when (approximately):

ii. If yes, has the financial interest been disclosed to the Board of Directors, as provided in the Conflict of Interest Policy? Yes No

Signature

Date: _____