

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

Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

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

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A For the **2019** calendar year, or tax year beginning **01-01-2019**, and ending **12-31-2019**

B Check if applicable:
 Address change
 Name change
 Initial return
 Final return/terminated
 Amended return
 Application pending

C Name of organization
ASSOCIATION OF AMERICAN RAILROADS

Doing business as

Number and street (or P.O. box if mail is not delivered to street address) Room/suite
425 3RD ST NW NO 1000

City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code
WASHINGTON, DC 20024

D Employer identification number
53-6000125

E Telephone number
(202) 639-2114

G Gross receipts \$ 56,683,861

F Name and address of principal officer:
IAN JEFFERIES
425 3RD ST NW NO 1000
WASHINGTON, DC 20024

H(a) Is this a group return for subordinates? Yes No

H(b) Are all subordinates included? Yes No
If "No," attach a list. (see instructions)

H(c) Group exemption number ▶

I Tax-exempt status: 501(c)(3) 501(c)(6) (insert no.) 4947(a)(1) or 527

J Website: ▶ WWW.AAR.ORG

K Form of organization: Corporation Trust Association Other ▶

L Year of formation: 1934

M State of legal domicile: DC

Part I Summary

1 Briefly describe the organization's mission or most significant activities:
TO PROMOTE THE COMMON INTERESTS OF RAILROADS.

2 Check this box if the organization discontinued its operations or disposed of more than 25% of its net assets.

3 Number of voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1a)	3	14
4 Number of independent voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1b)	4	13
5 Total number of individuals employed in calendar year 2019 (Part V, line 2a)	5	86
6 Total number of volunteers (estimate if necessary)	6	13
7a Total unrelated business revenue from Part VIII, column (C), line 12	7a	83,383
b Net unrelated business taxable income from Form 990-T, line 39	7b	63,956

	Prior Year	Current Year
8 Contributions and grants (Part VIII, line 1h)	0	0
9 Program service revenue (Part VIII, line 2g)	49,975,360	50,452,718
10 Investment income (Part VIII, column (A), lines 3, 4, and 7d)	1,241	166,439
11 Other revenue (Part VIII, column (A), lines 5, 6d, 8c, 9c, 10c, and 11e)	3,357,969	3,645,972
12 Total revenue—add lines 8 through 11 (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	53,334,570	54,265,129
13 Grants and similar amounts paid (Part IX, column (A), lines 1–3)	1,590,264	1,603,998
14 Benefits paid to or for members (Part IX, column (A), line 4)	0	0
15 Salaries, other compensation, employee benefits (Part IX, column (A), lines 5–10)	20,260,157	19,010,168
16a Professional fundraising fees (Part IX, column (A), line 11e)	0	0
b Total fundraising expenses (Part IX, column (D), line 25) ▶ 0		
17 Other expenses (Part IX, column (A), lines 11a–11d, 11f–24e)	30,796,135	33,461,868
18 Total expenses. Add lines 13–17 (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	52,646,556	54,076,034
19 Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 18 from line 12	688,014	189,095
	Beginning of Current Year	End of Year
20 Total assets (Part X, line 16)	24,158,660	23,280,217
21 Total liabilities (Part X, line 26)	39,636,182	36,892,657
22 Net assets or fund balances. Subtract line 21 from line 20	-15,477,522	-13,612,440

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: ***** Date: 2020-11-12
JEFFREY D MARSH SR. VP, FINANCE AND CFO
Type or print name and title

Paid Preparer Use Only
Print/Type preparer's name: Preparer's signature: Date: 2020-11-12
Check if self-employed PTIN: P00369217
Firm's name ▶ RSM US LLP Firm's EIN ▶ 42-0714325
Firm's address ▶ 9801 WASHINGTONIAN BLVD STE 500 Phone no. (301) 296-3600
GAITHERSBURG, MD 20878

Part III Statement of Program Service Accomplishments

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

1 Briefly describe the organization's mission:

AAR PROMOTES A SAFE AND EFFICIENT NORTH AMERICAN RAIL SYSTEM WITH PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES IN AREAS SUCH AS STANDARDS, OPERATIONS, SAFETY, SECURITY, PUBLIC AFFAIRS AND PUBLIC POLICY.

2 Did the organization undertake any significant program services during the year which were not listed on the prior Form 990 or 990-EZ? Yes No

If "Yes," describe these new services on Schedule O.

3 Did the organization cease conducting, or make significant changes in how it conducts, any program services? Yes No

If "Yes," describe these changes on Schedule O.

4 Describe the organization's program service accomplishments for each of its three largest program services, as measured by expenses. Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations are required to report the amount of grants and allocations to others, the total expenses, and revenue, if any, for each program service reported.

4a (Code:) (Expenses \$ including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)
See Additional Data

4b (Code:) (Expenses \$ including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)
See Additional Data

4c (Code:) (Expenses \$ including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)
See Additional Data

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

4e Total program service expenses ▶

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>	1	No
2	Is the organization required to complete <i>Schedule B, Schedule of Contributors</i> (see instructions)?	2	No
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> 🗑️	3	No
4	Section 501(c)(3) organizations. 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>	4	
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> 🗑️	5	Yes
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> 🗑️	6	No
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> 🗑️	7	No
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> 🗑️	8	No
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> 🗑️	9	Yes
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>	10	No
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> 🗑️	11a	Yes
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> 🗑️	11b	Yes
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> 🗑️	11c	No
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> 🗑️	11d	Yes
e	Did the organization report an amount for other liabilities in Part X, line 25? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X</i> 🗑️	11e	Yes
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> 🗑️	11f	Yes
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> 🗑️	12a	No
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> 🗑️	12b	Yes
13	Is the organization a school described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule E</i>	13	No
14a	Did the organization maintain an office, employees, or agents outside of the United States?	14a	No
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> 🗑️	14b	Yes
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> 🗑️	15	No
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> 🗑️	16	No
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> (see instructions)	17	No
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>	18	No
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>	19	No
20a	Did the organization operate one or more hospital facilities? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule H</i>	20a	No
b	If "Yes" to line 20a, did the organization attach a copy of its audited financial statements to this return?	20b	
21	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> 🗑️	21	Yes

Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules (continued)

		Yes	No
22	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>		No
23	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>	Yes	
24a	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>		No
b	Did the organization invest any proceeds of tax-exempt bonds beyond a temporary period exception?		
c	Did the organization maintain an escrow account other than a refunding escrow at any time during the year to defease any tax-exempt bonds?		
d	Did the organization act as an "on behalf of" issuer for bonds outstanding at any time during the year?		
25a	Section 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations. 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>		
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>		
26	Did the organization report any amount on Part X, line 5 or 22 for receivables from or payables to any current or former officer, director, trustee, key employee, creator or founder, substantial contributor, or 35% controlled entity or family member of any of these persons? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part II</i>		No
27	Did the organization provide a grant or other assistance to any current or former officer, director, trustee, key employee, creator or founder, substantial contributor, or employee thereof, a grant selection committee member, or to a 35% controlled entity (including an employee thereof) or family member of any of these persons? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part III</i>		No
28	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):		
a	A current or former officer, director, trustee, key employee, creator or founder, or substantial contributor? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV</i>		No
b	A family member of any individual described in line 28a? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV</i>		No
c	A 35% controlled entity of one or more individuals and/or organizations described in lines 28a or 28b? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV</i>		No
29	Did the organization receive more than \$25,000 in non-cash contributions? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule M</i>		No
30	Did the organization receive contributions of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets, or qualified conservation contributions? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule M</i>		No
31	Did the organization liquidate, terminate, or dissolve and cease operations? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part I</i>		No
32	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>		No
33	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>		No
34	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>	Yes	
35a	Did the organization have a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)?	Yes	
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>	Yes	
36	Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2</i>		
37	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>		No
38	Did the organization complete Schedule O and provide explanations in Schedule O for Part VI, lines 11b and 19? Note. All Form 990 filers are required to complete Schedule O.	Yes	

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

		Yes	No
1a	Enter the number reported in Box 3 of Form 1096. Enter -0- if not applicable		
b	Enter the number of Forms W-2G included in line 1a. Enter -0- if not applicable		
c	Did the organization comply with backup withholding rules for reportable payments to vendors and reportable gaming (gambling) winnings to prize winners?	Yes	

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

Main form area containing questions 2a through 16, including sub-questions like 2b, 3a, 4a, 5a, 6a, 7a, 8, 9a, 10a, 11a, 12a, 13a, 14a, 15, and 16. Each question is followed by a grid for 'Yes', 'No', and a text entry field.

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



Section A. Governing Body and Management

Table with 5 columns: Question ID, Question Text, Answer, Yes, No. Rows include 1a (14), 1b (13), 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7a, 7b, 8, 8a, 8b, 9.

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

Table with 5 columns: Question ID, Question Text, Answer, Yes, No. Rows include 10a, 10b, 11a, 11b, 12a, 12b, 12c, 13, 14, 15a, 15b, 16a, 16b.

Section C. Disclosure

Table with 2 columns: Question ID, Question Text. Rows include 17 (DC), 18 (checkboxes for website access), 19 (Schedule O description), 20 (State name, address, and telephone number).

Part VIII Statement of Revenue

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

		(A) Total revenue	(B) Related or exempt function revenue	(C) Unrelated business revenue	(D) Revenue excluded from tax under sections 512 - 514
Contributions, Gifts, Grants and Other Similar Amounts	1a Federated campaigns	1a			
	b Membership dues	1b			
	c Fundraising events	1c			
	d Related organizations	1d			
	e Government grants (contributions)	1e			
	f All other contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts not included above	1f			
	g Noncash contributions included in lines 1a - 1f: \$	1g			
	h Total. Add lines 1a-1f ▶				

Program Service Revenue			Business Code			
	2a MEMBERSHIP DUES		900099	41,441,813	41,441,813	
b INDUSTRY SUPPORT		900099	4,226,998	4,226,998		
c USER FEES		900099	3,958,609	3,958,609		
d LICENSING		900099	419,909	419,909		
e CONTRACTS		900099	183,078	183,078		
f All other program service revenue.			222,311	192,311	30,000	
g Total. Add lines 2a-2f. ▶			50,452,718			

Other Revenue	3 Investment income (including dividends, interest, and other similar amounts) ▶		191,754			191,754
	4 Income from investment of tax-exempt bond proceeds ▶					
	5 Royalties ▶					
		(i) Real	(ii) Personal			
	6a Gross rents	6a	188,174			
	b Less: rental expenses	6b	0			
	c Rental income or (loss)	6c	188,174			
	d Net rental income or (loss) ▶			188,174		188,174
		(i) Securities	(ii) Other			
	7a Gross amount from sales of assets other than inventory	7a	2,393,417			
	b Less: cost or other basis and sales expenses	7b	2,418,732			
	c Gain or (loss)	7c	-25,315			
	d Net gain or (loss) ▶			-25,315		-25,315
	8a Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ _____ of contributions reported on line 1c). See Part IV, line 18	8a				
	b Less: direct expenses	8b				
	c Net income or (loss) from fundraising events ▶					
	9a Gross income from gaming activities. See Part IV, line 19	9a				
	b Less: direct expenses	9b				
	c Net income or (loss) from gaming activities ▶					
	10a Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances	10a				
b Less: cost of goods sold	10b					
c Net income or (loss) from sales of inventory ▶						
Miscellaneous Revenue	Business Code					
11a INTERCO COST SHARE	900099	2,964,550	2,964,550			
b OTHER REVENUE	900099	375,116			375,116	
c ERIP/RET COST REIM	900099	64,749	64,749			
d All other revenue		53,383		53,383		
e Total. Add lines 11a-11d ▶		3,457,798				
12 Total revenue. See instructions ▶		54,265,129	53,452,017	83,383	729,729	

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	1,603,998			
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	6,626,120			
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	7,984,831			
8 Pension plan accruals and contributions (include section 401 (k) and 403(b) employer contributions)	1,670,432			
9 Other employee benefits	1,174,738			
10 Payroll taxes	1,554,047			
11 Fees for services (non-employees):				
a Management				
b Legal	1,566,336			
c Accounting	133,396			
d Lobbying	1,045,838			
e Professional fundraising services. See Part IV, line 17				
f Investment management fees				
g Other (If line 11g amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A) amount, list line 11g expenses on Schedule O)	8,219,111			
12 Advertising and promotion	2,973,255			
13 Office expenses	60,895			
14 Information technology	466,186			
15 Royalties				
16 Occupancy	2,186,039			
17 Travel	1,005,601			
18 Payments of travel or entertainment expenses for any federal, state, or local public officials				
19 Conferences, conventions, and meetings	90,701			
20 Interest				
21 Payments to affiliates				
22 Depreciation, depletion, and amortization	504,696			
23 Insurance	213,932			
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 INCOME TAX/DEFERRED TAX	98,546			
b INTERCOMPANY EXPENSES	14,307,761			
c DUES & SUBSCRIPTIONS	392,114			
d OTHER EXPENSES	176,847			
e All other expenses	20,614			
25 Total functional expenses. Add lines 1 through 24e	54,076,034			
26 Joint costs. Complete this line only if the organization reported in column (B) joint costs from a combined educational campaign and fundraising solicitation. Check here <input type="checkbox"/> 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 IX

		(A) Beginning of year		(B) End of year
Assets	1 Cash—non-interest-bearing	8,730,001	1	8,551,929
	2 Savings and temporary cash investments		2	
	3 Pledges and grants receivable, net		3	
	4 Accounts receivable, net	794,921	4	601,408
	5 Loans and other payables to any current or former officer, director, trustee, key employee, creator or founder, substantial contributor, or 35% controlled entity or family member of any of these persons		5	
	6 Loans and other receivables from other disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)), and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B)		6	
	7 Notes and loans receivable, net		7	
	8 Inventories for sale or use		8	
	9 Prepaid expenses and deferred charges	456,344	9	406,447
	10a Land, buildings, and equipment: cost or other basis. Complete Part VI of Schedule D	6,567,501		
	b Less: accumulated depreciation	4,609,397	2,110,895	10c 1,958,104
	11 Investments—publicly traded securities	718,952	11	732,953
	12 Investments—other securities. See Part IV, line 11	8,970,899	12	8,970,899
	13 Investments—program-related. See Part IV, line 11		13	
	14 Intangible assets		14	
	15 Other assets. See Part IV, line 11	2,376,648	15	2,058,477
16 Total assets. Add lines 1 through 15 (must equal line 34)	24,158,660	16	23,280,217	
Liabilities	17 Accounts payable and accrued expenses	6,026,784	17	5,526,890
	18 Grants payable		18	
	19 Deferred revenue	1,301,839	19	1,204,228
	20 Tax-exempt bond liabilities		20	
	21 Escrow or custodial account liability. Complete Part IV of Schedule D	487,061	21	757,416
	22 Loans and other payables to any current or former officer, director, trustee, key employee, creator or founder, substantial contributor, or 35% controlled entity or family member of any of these persons		22	
	23 Secured mortgages and notes payable to unrelated third parties		23	
	24 Unsecured notes and loans payable to unrelated third parties		24	
	25 Other liabilities (including federal income tax, payables to related third parties, and other liabilities not included on lines 17 - 24). Complete Part X of Schedule D	31,820,498	25	29,404,123
	26 Total liabilities. Add lines 17 through 25	39,636,182	26	36,892,657
Net Assets or Fund Balances	Organizations that follow FASB ASC 958, check here <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 27, 28, 32, and 33.			
	27 Net assets without donor restrictions	-15,477,522	27	-13,612,440
	28 Net assets with donor restrictions		28	
	Organizations that do not follow FASB ASC 958, check here <input type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 29 through 33.			
	29 Capital stock or trust principal, or current funds		29	
	30 Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, building or equipment fund		30	
	31 Retained earnings, endowment, accumulated income, or other funds		31	
32 Total net assets or fund balances	-15,477,522	32	-13,612,440	
33 Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances	24,158,660	33	23,280,217	

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	54,265,129
2	Total expenses (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	2	54,076,034
3	Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 2 from line 1	3	189,095
4	Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (must equal Part X, line 33, column (A))	4	-15,477,522
5	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	5	61,437
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	1,614,550
10	Net assets or fund balances at end of year. Combine lines 3 through 9 (must equal Part X, line 33, column (B))	10	-13,612,440

Part XII Financial Statements and Reporting

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

- 1** Accounting method used to prepare the Form 990: Cash Accrual 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:
 Separate basis Consolidated basis Both consolidated and separate basis
- b** Were the organization's financial statements audited by an independent accountant?
 If 'Yes,' check a box below to indicate whether the financial statements for the year were audited on a separate basis, consolidated basis, or both:
 Separate basis Consolidated basis Both consolidated and separate basis
- c** If "Yes," to line 2a or 2b, does the organization have a committee that assumes responsibility for oversight of the audit, review, or compilation of its financial statements and selection of an independent accountant?
 If the organization changed either its oversight process or selection process during the tax year, explain in Schedule O.
- 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?
- b** If "Yes," did the organization undergo the required audit or audits? If the organization did not undergo the required audit or audits, explain why in Schedule O and describe any steps taken to undergo such audits.

	Yes	No
2a		No
2b	Yes	
2c	Yes	
3a		No
3b		

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Name: ASSOCIATION OF AMERICAN RAILROADS

Form 990 (2019)

Form 990, Part III, Line 4a:

STRATEGIC RESEARCH INITIATIVES (SRI):THE SRI PROGRAM FOCUSES ON RESEARCH THAT WILL MAKE RAIL TRANSPORTATION SAFER, MORE EFFICIENT, AND MORE RELIABLE. THE CURRENT SRI PROGRAM INCLUDES PROJECTS ADDRESSING SIGNALS, TRAIN CONTROL, AUTOMATED OPERATIONS, TRACK, BRIDGES, AND RAIL CAR COMPONENTS SUCH AS WHEELS, BRAKES, AND COUPLERS.

Form 990, Part III, Line 4b:

INTEGRATED COMMUNICATIONS CAMPAIGN: A PROGRAM OF MEDIA OUTREACH, PUBLIC AFFAIRS, ADVERTISING, AND CONTENT DEVELOPMENT THAT FOCUSES ON (1) HOW THE FREIGHT RAIL INDUSTRY CONSISTENTLY AND EFFICIENTLY DELIVERS ECONOMIC AND ENVIRONMENTAL BENEFITS TO AMERICANS, (2) HOW RAILROADS USE MODERN TECHNOLOGY TO IMPROVE SAFETY AND PROVIDE PUBLIC BENEFITS INCLUDING A SAFE, FUEL EFFICIENT WAY TO MOVE GOODS AND CONNECT US TO THE GLOBAL ECONOMY, AND (3) PRESERVING BALANCED REGULATION OF THE FREIGHT RAIL INDUSTRY.

Form 990, Part III, Line 4c:

PRESERVING BALANCED REGULATION: A PROGRAM TO PROMOTE THE BALANCED REGULATORY STRUCTURE REQUIRED TO ALLOW RAILROADS THE OPPORTUNITY TO ACHIEVE A REASONABLE RATE OF RETURN AND TO CONTINUE THEIR SUBSTANTIAL INVESTMENT IN THE NORTH AMERICAN RAIL NETWORK. SUCH REINVESTMENT IS CRITICAL IF RAILROADS ARE TO BE ABLE TO ADDRESS THE CAPACITY CHALLENGES THAT INCREASED RAIL DEMAND FOR TRANSPORTATION BRINGS.

Form 990, Part VII - Compensation of Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, Highest Compensated Employees, and Independent Contractors

(A) Name and Title	(B) Average hours per week (list any hours for related organizations below dotted line)	(C) Position (do not check more than one box, unless person is both an officer and a director/trustee)						(D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W- 2/1099-MISC)	(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			
JAMES A SQUIRES DIRECTOR	1.00	X						0	0	0
RICHARD H ANDERSON DIRECTOR	1.00	X						0	0	0
RICK WEBB DIRECTOR	1.00	X						0	0	0
IKER DE LUISA DIRECTOR	1.00	X						0	0	0
CARL R ICE DIRECTOR	1.00	X						0	0	0
JEAN-JACQUES RUEST DIRECTOR	1.00	X						0	0	0
KEITH CREEL DIRECTOR	1.00	X						0	0	0
JAMES M FOOTE DIRECTOR	1.00	X						0	0	0
NATHAN ASPLUND DIRECTOR	1.00	X						0	0	0
JOHN C HELLMANN DIRECTOR	1.00	X						0	0	0

Form 990, Part VII - Compensation of Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, Highest Compensated Employees, and Independent Contractors

(A) Name and Title	(B) Average hours per week (list any hours for related organizations below dotted line)	(C) Position (do not check more than one box, unless person is both an officer and a director/trustee)						(D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W- 2/1099-MISC)	(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			
DAVID A FINK DIRECTOR	1.00	X						0	0	0
PATRICK J OTTENSMEYER DIRECTOR	1.00	X						0	0	0
LANCE M FRITZ DIRECTOR	1.00	X						0	0	0
EDWARD R HAMBERGER PRESIDENT, CEO & DIRECTOR THRU 4/2019	39.00	X		X				1,429,851	0	41,142
IAN N JEFFERIES PRESIDENT, CEO & DIRECTOR	1.00 39.00	X		X				1,198,974	0	58,476
MICHAEL J RUSH SVP-SAFETY & OPERATIONS	1.00 36.00			X				580,521	0	37,220
JOHN T GRAY SVP-POLICY & ECONOMICS	4.00 39.00			X				557,690	0	52,766
KATHY D KIRMAYER SVP-LAW & GENERAL COUNSEL	1.00 39.00			X				574,377	0	92,259
JEFFREY D MARSH SVP-FINANCE & CFO	1.00 36.00			X				506,092	0	202,387
KRISTIN A SMITH SVP-COMMUNICATIONS	4.00 40.00			X				383,616	0	60,971

Form 990, Part VII - Compensation of Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, Highest Compensated Employees, and Independent Contractors

(A) Name and Title	(B) Average hours per week (list any hours for related organizations below dotted line)	(C) Position (do not check more than one box, unless person is both an officer and a director/trustee)						(D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W- 2/1099-MISC)	(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			
ADRIAN ANARKIS SVP-GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS	40.00			X				383,466	0	46,958
TIMOTHY J STRAFFORD CORPORATE SECRETARY	39.00			X				275,644	0	50,163
WILLIAM C THOMPSON PROGRAM MANAGER	1.00					X		314,581	0	74,745
DANIEL SAPHIRE ASSOCIATE GENERAL COUNSEL	40.00					X		261,298	0	125,120
KELLEY FRENCH DONLEY AVP-MEMBER SERVICES	40.00					X		257,522	0	84,962
ROBERT E FRONCZAK AVP-ENVIRONMENT/HAZMAT	40.00					X		250,763	0	56,460
JENNIFER MACDONALD AVP-GOVT AFFAIRS	40.00					X		248,187	0	72,936

SCHEDULE C
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Political Campaign and Lobbying Activities
For Organizations Exempt From Income Tax Under section 501(c) and section 527

▶Complete if the organization is described below. ▶Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ.
▶Go to www.irs.gov/Form990 for instructions and the latest information.

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If the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, Line 3, or Form 990-EZ, Part V, line 46 (Political Campaign Activities), then

- Section 501(c)(3) organizations: Complete Parts I-A and B. Do not complete Part I-C.
- Section 501(c) (other than section 501(c)(3)) organizations: Complete Parts I-A and C below. Do not complete Part I-B.
- Section 527 organizations: Complete Part I-A only.

If the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, Line 4, or Form 990-EZ, Part VI, line 47 (Lobbying Activities), then

- Section 501(c)(3) organizations that have filed Form 5768 (election under section 501(h)): Complete Part II-A. Do not complete Part II-B.
- Section 501(c)(3) organizations that have NOT filed Form 5768 (election under section 501(h)): Complete Part II-B. Do not complete Part II-A.

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

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

Name of the organization ASSOCIATION OF AMERICAN RAILROADS	Employer identification number 53-6000125
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Part I-A Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c) or is a section 527 organization.

1 Provide a description of the organization's direct and indirect political campaign activities in Part IV (see instructions for definition of "political campaign activities")

2 Political campaign activity expenditures (see instructions) ▶ \$ _____

3 Volunteer hours for political campaign activities (see instructions)

Part I-B Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(3).

1 Enter the amount of any excise tax incurred by the organization under section 4955 ▶ \$ _____

2 Enter the amount of any excise tax incurred by organization managers under section 4955 ▶ \$ _____

3 If the organization incurred a section 4955 tax, did it file Form 4720 for this year? Yes No

4a Was a correction made? Yes No

b If "Yes," describe in Part IV.

Part I-C Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c), except section 501(c)(3).

1 Enter the amount directly expended by the filing organization for section 527 exempt function activities ▶ \$ _____

2 Enter the amount of the filing organization's funds contributed to other organizations for section 527 exempt function activities ▶ \$ _____

3 Total exempt function expenditures. Add lines 1 and 2. Enter here and on Form 1120-POL, line 17b..... ▶ \$ _____

4 Did the filing organization file **Form 1120-POL** for this year? Yes No

5 Enter the names, addresses and employer identification number (EIN) of all section 527 political organizations to which the filing organization made payments. For each organization listed, enter the amount paid from the filing organization's funds. Also enter the amount of political contributions received that were promptly and directly delivered to a separate political organization, such as a separate segregated fund or a political action committee (PAC). If additional space is needed, provide information in Part IV.

(a) Name	(b) Address	(c) EIN	(d) Amount paid from filing organization's funds. If none, enter -0-.	(e) Amount of political contributions received and promptly and directly delivered to a separate political organization. If none, enter -0-.
1				
2				
3				
4				
5				
6				

Part II-B Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(3) and has NOT filed Form 5768 (election under section 501(h)).

For each "Yes" response on lines 1a through 1i below, provide in Part IV a detailed description of the lobbying activity.

	(a)		(b)
	Yes	No	Amount
1 During the year, did the filing organization attempt to influence foreign, national, state or local legislation, including any attempt to influence public opinion on a legislative matter or referendum, through the use of:			
a Volunteers?			
b Paid staff or management (include compensation in expenses reported on lines 1c through 1i)?			
c Media advertisements?			
d Mailings to members, legislators, or the public?			
e Publications, or published or broadcast statements?			
f Grants to other organizations for lobbying purposes?			
g Direct contact with legislators, their staffs, government officials, or a legislative body?			
h Rallies, demonstrations, seminars, conventions, speeches, lectures, or any similar means?			
i Other activities?			
j Total. Add lines 1c through 1i			
2a Did the activities in line 1 cause the organization to be not described in section 501(c)(3)?			
b If "Yes," enter the amount of any tax incurred under section 4912			
c If "Yes," enter the amount of any tax incurred by organization managers under section 4912			
d If the filing organization incurred a section 4912 tax, did it file Form 4720 for this year?			

Part III-A Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(4), section 501(c)(5), or section 501(c)(6).

	Yes	No
1 Were substantially all (90% or more) dues received nondeductible by members?	1	No
2 Did the organization make only in-house lobbying expenditures of \$2,000 or less?	2	No
3 Did the organization agree to carry over lobbying and political expenditures from the prior year?	3	Yes

Part III-B Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(4), section 501(c)(5), or section 501(c)(6) and if either (a) BOTH Part III-A, lines 1 and 2, are answered "No" OR (b) Part III-A, line 3, is answered "Yes."

1 Dues, assessments and similar amounts from members	1	41,441,813
2 Section 162(e) nondeductible lobbying and political expenditures (do not include amounts of political expenses for which the section 527(f) tax was paid).		
a Current year	2a	4,792,607
b Carryover from last year	2b	52,465
c Total	2c	4,845,072
3 Aggregate amount reported in section 6033(e)(1)(A) notices of nondeductible section 162(e) dues .	3	5,243,013
4 If notices were sent and the amount on line 2c exceeds the amount on line 3, what portion of the excess does the organization agree to carryover to the reasonable estimate of nondeductible lobbying and political expenditure next year?	4	
5 Taxable amount of lobbying and political expenditures (see instructions)	5	-397,941

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.

Return Reference	Explanation
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SCHEDULE D
(Form 990)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Supplemental Financial Statements

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▶ **Complete if the organization answered "Yes," on Form 990, Part IV, line 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11a, 11b, 11c, 11d, 11e, 11f, 12a, or 12b.**
▶ **Attach to Form 990.**
▶ **Go to www.irs.gov/Form990 for instructions and the latest information.**

Name of the organization
ASSOCIATION OF AMERICAN RAILROADS

Employer identification number
53-6000125

Part I Organizations Maintaining Donor Advised Funds or Other Similar Funds or Accounts.
Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 6.

	(a) Donor advised funds	(b) Funds and other accounts
1 Total number at end of year		
2 Aggregate value of contributions to (during year)		
3 Aggregate value of grants from (during year)		
4 Aggregate value at end of year		

5 Did the organization inform all donors and donor advisors in writing that the assets held in donor advised funds are the organization's property, subject to the organization's exclusive legal control? Yes No

6 Did the organization inform all grantees, donors, and donor advisors in writing that grant funds can be used only for charitable purposes and not for the benefit of the donor or donor advisor, or for any other purpose conferring impermissible private benefit? Yes No

Part II Conservation Easements.
Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 7.

1 Purpose(s) of conservation easements held by the organization (check all that apply).

Preservation of land for public use (e.g., recreation or education) Preservation of an historically important land area

Protection of natural habitat Preservation of a certified historic structure

Preservation of open space

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

	Held at the End of the Year
a Total number of conservation easements	2a
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 7/25/06, 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, handling of violations, and enforcing conservation easements during the year ▶ _____

7 Amount of expenses incurred in monitoring, inspecting, handling of violations, 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" on 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 on 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 on Form 990, Part VIII, line 1 ▶ \$ _____

b Assets included in Form 990, Part X ▶ \$ _____

Part III Organizations Maintaining Collections of Art, Historical Treasures, or Other Similar Assets (continued)

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

Part IV Escrow and Custodial Arrangements.

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

- 1a** Is the organization an agent, trustee, custodian or other intermediary for contributions or other assets not included on Form 990, Part X? **Yes** **No**

b If "Yes," explain the arrangement in Part XIII and complete the following table:

- c** Beginning balance
- d** Additions during the year
- e** Distributions during the year
- f** Ending balance

	Amount
1c	
1d	
1e	
1f	

- 2a** Did the organization include an amount on Form 990, Part X, line 21, for escrow or custodial account liability? . . . **Yes** **No**

b If "Yes," explain the arrangement in Part XIII. Check here if the explanation has been provided in Part XIII

Part V Endowment Funds.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 10.

	(a) Current year	(b) Prior year	(c) Two years back	(d) Three years back	(e) Four years back
1a Beginning of year balance					
b Contributions					
c Net investment earnings, gains, and losses					
d Grants or scholarships					
e Other expenditures for facilities and programs					
f Administrative expenses					
g End of year balance					

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

- a** Board designated or quasi-endowment ▶
- b** Permanent endowment ▶
- c** Temporarily restricted endowment ▶

The percentages on lines 2a, 2b, and 2c should equal 100%.

3a Are there endowment funds not in the possession of the organization that are held and administered for the organization by:

- (i)** unrelated organizations
- (ii)** related organizations

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

- b** If "Yes" on 3a(ii), are the related organizations listed as required on Schedule R?
- 4** Describe in Part XIII the intended uses of the organization's endowment funds.

Part VI Land, Buildings, and Equipment.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 11a. See Form 990, Part X, line 10.

Description of property	(a) Cost or other basis (investment)	(b) Cost or other basis (other)	(c) Accumulated depreciation	(d) Book value
1a Land				
b Buildings				
c Leasehold improvements		3,212,762	1,971,746	1,241,016
d Equipment		1,184,028	1,019,068	164,960
e Other		2,170,711	1,618,583	552,128
Total. Add lines 1a through 1e. (Column (d) must equal Form 990, Part X, column (B), line 10(c).) . . . ▶				1,958,104

Part VII Investments—Other Securities.

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

(a) Description of security or category (including name of security)	(b) Book value	(c) Method of valuation: Cost or end-of-year market value
(1) Financial derivatives		
(2) Closely-held equity interests	8,970,899	C
(3) Other		
(A)		
(B)		
(C)		
(D)		
(E)		
(F)		
(G)		
(H)		
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col. (B) line 12.)	▶ 8,970,899	

Part VIII Investments—Program Related.

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

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

Part IX Other Assets.

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

(a) Description	(b) Book value
(1) CUSTODIAL FUNDS	757,416
(2) DEFERRED TAX ASSET	11,173
(3) INVESTMENTS RELATED TO SUPP. EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLANS	550,486
(4) OTHER POST-EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS	587,625
(5) DUE FROM SUBSIDIARIES	151,777
(6)	
(7)	
(8)	
(9)	
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col.(B) line 15.)	▶ 2,058,477

Part X Other Liabilities.

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

1. (a) Description of liability	(b) Book value
(1) Federal income taxes	
(6)	
(7)	
(8)	
(9)	
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col.(B) line 25.)	▶ 29,404,123

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Part XIII Supplemental Information

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

Return Reference	Explanation
See Additional Data Table	

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Supplemental Information

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PART IV, LINE 2B:	CUSTODIAL FUNDS ARE CARRIED AS AN ASSET AND AS AN OFFSETTING LIABILITY IN THE ASSOCIATION'S BALANCE SHEET. THE ASSOCIATION ACTS AS CUSTODIAN AND AGENT ON BEHALF OF CERTAIN RAILROAD INDUSTRY RELATED ORGANIZATIONS FOR WHICH THE ASSOCIATION PROVIDES BOOKKEEPING SERVICES.

Supplemental Information

Return Reference	Explanation
PART X, LINE 2:	<p>AAR IS EXEMPT FROM FEDERAL INCOME TAXES UNDER SECTION 501(C)(6) OF THE IRC. HOWEVER, AAR IS SUBJECT TO FEDERAL INCOME TAXES FOR ACTIVITIES THAT ARE UNRELATED TO ITS TAX-EXEMPT FUNCTION. RRF IS INCORPORATED UNDER IRC SECTION 501(C)(3) AS A TAX-EXEMPT ORGANIZATION AND IS FURTHER CLASSIFIED AS A PUBLIC CHARITY UNDER SECTION 509(A)(1) OF THE IRC; HOWEVER, RRF IS SUBJECT TO FEDERAL INCOME TAXES FOR ACTIVITIES THAT ARE UNRELATED TO ITS TAX-EXEMPT FUNCTION. AAR AND RRF, AS TAX-EXEMPT ORGANIZATIONS, FILE SEPARATE INFORMATION RETURNS, FORM 990-R RETURN OF ORGANIZATION EXEMPT FROM INCOME TAX AND TO THE EXTENT OF ANY UNRELATED ACTIVITIES TO THEIR TAX-EXEMPT FUNCTION, FILE FORM 990-T RETURN OF ORGANIZATION BUSINESS INCOME TAX RETURN. TTCI AND RAILINC FILE SEPARATE FEDERAL AND STATE INCOME TAX RETURNS. ACCORDINGLY, AMOUNTS REPORTED IN THE ACCOMPANYING CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS REPRESENT THE COMBINED INCOME TAX ACCOUNTS OF AAR, TTCI, RAILINC AND RRF. DEFERRED TAX ASSETS AND LIABILITIES ARE RECOGNIZED FOR THE FUTURE TAX CONSEQUENCES ATTRIBUTABLE TO DIFFERENCES BETWEEN THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS CARRYING AMOUNTS OF EXISTING ASSETS AND LIABILITIES AND THEIR RESPECTIVE TAX BASES AND OPERATING LOSS AND TAX CREDIT CARRYFORWARDS. DEFERRED TAX ASSETS AND LIABILITIES ARE MEASURED USING ENACTED TAX RATES EXPECTED TO APPLY TO TAXABLE INCOME IN THE YEARS IN WHICH THOSE TEMPORARY DIFFERENCES ARE EXPECTED TO REVERSE. IF APPROPRIATE, DEFERRED TAX ASSETS ARE REDUCED BY A VALUATION ALLOWANCE, WHICH REFLECTS EXPECTATIONS OF THE EXTENT TO WHICH SUCH ASSETS WILL BE REALIZED. THE ASSOCIATION FOLLOWS THE CODIFICATION TOPIC, INCOME TAXES, WHICH ADDRESSES THE DETERMINATION OF WHETHER TAX BENEFITS CLAIMED OR EXPECTED TO BE CLAIMED ON A TAX RETURN SHOULD BE RECORDED IN THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS. UNDER THIS GUIDANCE, THE ASSOCIATION MAY RECOGNIZE THE TAX BENEFIT FROM AN UNCERTAIN TAX POSITION ONLY IF IT IS MORE LIKELY THAN NOT THAT THE TAX POSITION WILL BE SUSTAINED ON EXAMINATION BY TAXING AUTHORITIES, BASED ON THE TECHNICAL MERITS OF THE POSITION. THE TAX BENEFITS RECOGNIZED IN THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FROM SUCH A POSITION ARE MEASURED BASED ON THE LARGEST BENEFIT THAT HAS A GREATER THAN 50% LIKELIHOOD OF BEING REALIZED UPON ULTIMATE SETTLEMENT. THE GUIDANCE ON ACCOUNTING FOR UNCERTAINTY IN INCOME TAXES ALSO ADDRESSES DE-RECOGNITION, CLASSIFICATION, INTEREST AND PENALTIES ON INCOME TAXES AND ACCOUNTING IN INTERIM PERIODS. MANAGEMENT EVALUATED THE ASSOCIATION'S PRECONSOLIDATED TAX POSITIONS AND CONCLUDED THAT THE ASSOCIATION HAS TAKEN NO UNCERTAIN TAX POSITIONS THAT REQUIRE ADJUSTMENT TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS TO COMPLY WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THIS GUIDANCE.</p>

**SCHEDULE F
(Form 990)**

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Statement of Activities Outside the United States

▶ Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 14b, 15, or 16.
▶ Attach to Form 990.
▶ Go to www.irs.gov/Form990 for instructions and the latest information.

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Name of the organization
ASSOCIATION OF AMERICAN RAILROADS

Employer identification number
53-6000125

Part I **General Information on Activities Outside the United States.** Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 14b.

- 1 For grantmakers.** Does the organization maintain records to substantiate the amount of its grants and other assistance, the grantees' eligibility for the grants or assistance, and the selection criteria used to award the grants or assistance? Yes No
- 2 For grantmakers.** Describe in Part V the organization's procedures for monitoring the use of its grants and other assistance outside the United States.
- 3** Activities per Region. (The following Part I, line 3 table can be duplicated if additional space is needed.)

(a) Region	(b) Number of offices in the region	(c) Number of employees, agents, and independent contractors in the region	(d) Activities conducted in region (by type) (such as, fundraising, program services, investments, grants to recipients located in the region)	(e) If activity listed in (d) is a program service, describe specific type of service(s) in the region	(f) Total expenditures for and investments in the region
See Add'l Data					
3a Sub-total	0	0			89,559
b Total from continuation sheets to Part I	0	0			0
c Totals (add lines 3a and 3b)	0	0			89,559

Part II Grants and Other Assistance to Organizations or Entities Outside the United States. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 15, for any recipient who received more than \$5,000. Part II can be duplicated if additional space is needed.

1 (a) Name of organization	(b) IRS code section and EIN (if applicable)	(c) Region	(d) Purpose of grant	(e) Amount of cash grant	(f) Manner of cash disbursement	(g) Amount of noncash assistance	(h) Description of noncash assistance	(i) Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other)

- 2 Enter total number of recipient organizations listed above that are recognized as charities by the foreign country, recognized as tax-exempt by the IRS, or for which the grantee or counsel has provided a section 501(c)(3) equivalency letter ▶ _____
- 3 Enter total number of other organizations or entities ▶ _____

Part IV Foreign Forms

- 1 Was the organization a U.S. transferor of property to a foreign corporation during the tax year? *If "Yes," the organization may be required to file Form 926, Return by a U.S. Transferor of Property to a Foreign Corporation (see Instructions for Form 926)* Yes No
- 2 Did the organization have an interest in a foreign trust during the tax year? *If "Yes," the organization may be required to separately file Form 3520, Annual Return to Report Transactions with Foreign Trusts and Receipt of Certain Foreign Gifts, and/or Form 3520-A, Annual Information Return of Foreign Trust With a U.S. Owner (see Instructions for Forms 3520 and 3520-A; don't file with Form 990)* Yes No
- 3 Did the organization have an ownership interest in a foreign corporation during the tax year? *If "Yes," the organization may be required to file Form 5471, Information Return of U.S. Persons with Respect to Certain Foreign Corporations. (see Instructions for Form 5471)* Yes No
- 4 Was the organization a direct or indirect shareholder of a passive foreign investment company or a qualified electing fund during the tax year? *If "Yes," the organization may be required to file Form 8621, Information Return by a Shareholder of a Passive Foreign Investment Company or Qualified Electing Fund. (see Instructions for Form 8621)* Yes No
- 5 Did the organization have an ownership interest in a foreign partnership during the tax year? *If "Yes," the organization may be required to file Form 8865, Return of U.S. Persons with Respect to Certain Foreign Partnerships (see Instructions for Form 8865)* Yes No
- 6 Did the organization have any operations in or related to any boycotting countries during the tax year? *If "Yes," the organization may be required to separately file Form 5713, International Boycott Report (see Instructions for Form 5713; don't file with Form 990).* Yes No

Part V Supplemental Information

Provide the information required by Part I, line 2 (monitoring of funds); Part I, line 3, column (f) (accounting method; amounts of investments vs. expenditures per region); Part II, line 1 (accounting method); Part III (accounting method); and Part III, column (c) (estimated number of recipients), as applicable. Also complete this part to provide any additional information. See instructions.

990 Schedule F, Supplemental Information

Return Reference	Explanation
PART III ACCOUNTING METHOD:	

Additional Data

Software ID:

Software Version:

EIN: 53-6000125

Name: ASSOCIATION OF AMERICAN RAILROADS

Form 990 Schedule F Part I - Activities Outside The United States

(a) Region	(b) Number of offices in the region	(c) Number of employees or agents in region	(d) Activities conducted in region (by type) (i.e., fundraising, program services, grants to recipients located in the region)	(e) If activity listed in (d) is a program service, describe specific type of service(s) in region	(f) Total expenditures for region
NORTH AMERICA	0	0	PROGRAM SERVICES	TRAVEL, MEETING, LODGING, REGISTRATION FEES, SALARY AND FRINGE	83,235
EUROPE (INCLUDING ICELAND & GREENLAND)	0	0	PROGRAM SERVICES	TRAVEL, MEETING, LODGING, REGISTRATION FEES, SALARY AND FRINGE	6,324

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Schedule I (Form 990)

Grants and Other Assistance to Organizations, Governments and Individuals in the United States

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Complete if the organization answered "Yes," on Form 990, Part IV, line 21 or 22.

Attach to Form 990.

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Name of the organization ASSOCIATION OF AMERICAN RAILROADS

Employer identification number

53-6000125

Part I General Information on Grants and Assistance

- 1 Does the organization maintain records to substantiate the amount of the grants or assistance...
2 Describe in Part IV the organization's procedures for monitoring the use of grant funds in the United States.

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

Table with 8 columns: (a) Name and address of organization or government, (b) EIN, (c) IRC section (if applicable), (d) Amount of cash grant, (e) Amount of non-cash assistance, (f) Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other), (g) Description of noncash assistance, (h) Purpose of grant or assistance. Rows 1-12.

2 Enter total number of section 501(c)(3) and government organizations listed in the line 1 table 7
3 Enter total number of other organizations listed in the line 1 table 8

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

Part III can be duplicated if additional space is needed.

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

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

Return Reference	Explanation
PART I, LINE 2:	AAR AWARDS ASSISTANCE TO ORGANIZATIONS RECOGNIZED AS TAX-EXEMPT UNDER IRC SECTION 501(C) OR AS A COLLEGE OR UNIVERSITY. THE PARTICIPANTS PRODUCE A REPORT SUMMARIZING THEIR WORK AFTER EACH PHASE.

Additional Data

Software ID:
Software Version:
EIN: 53-6000125
Name: ASSOCIATION OF AMERICAN RAILROADS

Form 990, Schedule I, Part II, Grants and Other Assistance to Domestic Organizations and Domestic Governments.

(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
AMERICAN CHEMISTRY COUNCIL 700 2ND ST NE WASHINGTON, DC 20002	53-0104410	501(C)(6)	7,500				EVENT SUPPORT
AMERICAN SHORT LINE & REGIONAL RAILROAD ASSOCIATION (ASLRRA) 50 F STREET NW SUITE 7020 WASHINGTON, DC 20001	53-6000080	501(C)(6)	9,800				EVENT SUPPORT

Form 990, Schedule I, Part II, Grants and Other Assistance to Domestic Organizations and Domestic Governments.

(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
AMERICANS FOR TAX REFORM 722 12TH ST NW 4TH FLOOR WASHINGTON, DC 20005	52-1403587	501(C)(6)	25,000				PROGRAM SUPPORT
COALITION AGAINST BIGGER TRUCKS LLC (CABT) 109 N FAIRFAX STREET SECOND FL ALEXANDRIA, VA 22314	94-3229678	501(C)(4)	755,000				PROGRAM SUPPORT

Form 990, Schedule I, Part II, Grants and Other Assistance to Domestic Organizations and Domestic Governments.

(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
CONGRESSIONAL BLACK CAUCUS INSTITUTE (CBCI) 413 NEW JERSEY AVE SE WASHINGTON, DC 20003	52-2270607	501(C)(4)	20,000				EVENT SUPPORT
CONGRESSIONAL HISPANIC CAUCUS INSTITUTE 1128 16TH STREET NW WASHINGTON, DC 20036	52-1114225	501(C)(3)	10,000				EVENT SUPPORT

Form 990, Schedule I, Part II, Grants and Other Assistance to Domestic Organizations and Domestic Governments.

(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
CONGRESSIONAL INSTITUTE INC 1700 DIAGONAL ROAD STE 730 ALEXANDRIA, VA 22314	52-1504189	501(C)(4)	25,208				PROGRAM SUPPORT
GORAIL 425 THIRD ST SW STE 940 WASHINGTON, DC 20024	35-2226505	501(C)(4)	375,000				PROGRAM SUPPORT

Form 990, Schedule I, Part II, Grants and Other Assistance to Domestic Organizations and Domestic Governments.

(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
JOHN W BARRIGER III NATIONAL RAILROAD LIBRARY ONE UNIVERSITY BLVD ST LOUIS, MO 631214499	57-0976265	501(C)(3)	7,500				PROGRAM SUPPORT
METROPOLITIAN PLANNING COUNCIL 140 SOUTH DEARBORN STM 1400 CHICAGO, IL 60603	36-2382849	501(C)(3)	10,000				EVENT SUPPORT

Form 990, Schedule I, Part II, Grants and Other Assistance to Domestic Organizations and Domestic Governments.

(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
NATIONAL ACADEMY OF SCIENCES 500 5TH STREET NW WASHINGTON, DC 20001	53-0196932	501(C)(3)	35,875				PROGRAM SUPPORT
NATIONAL ASSOCIATION COUNTIES PO BOX 79007 BALTIMORE, MD 212790007	53-0190321	501(C)(4)	10,000				EVENT SUPPORT

Form 990, Schedule I, Part II, Grants and Other Assistance to Domestic Organizations and Domestic Governments.

(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
NCSL FOUNDATION FOR STATE LEGISLATURES 7700 EAST FIRST PLACE DENVER, CO 80230	74-2232576	501(C)(3)	7,500				PROGRAM SUPPORT
SURFACE TRANSPORTATION POLICY PROJECT 750 FIRST ST NE SUITE 1130 WASHINGTON, DC 20002	52-1864166	501(C)(3)	50,000				PROGRAM SUPPORT

Form 990, Schedule I, Part II, Grants and Other Assistance to Domestic Organizations and Domestic Governments.

(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 ILLINOIS 205 N MATHEWS AVE NEWMARK URBANA, IL 61801	37-6006007	501(C)(3)	134,000				PROGRAM SUPPORT

Schedule J
(Form 990)

Compensation Information

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For certain Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees
▶ **Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 23.**
▶ **Attach to Form 990.**
▶ **Go to www.irs.gov/Form990 for instructions and the latest information.**

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Name of the organization
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Employer identification number
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Part I Questions Regarding Compensation

	Yes	No
1a Check the appropriate box(es) if the organization provided any of the following to or for a person listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a. Complete Part III to provide any relevant information regarding these items.		
<input type="checkbox"/> First-class or charter travel <input type="checkbox"/> Travel for companions <input type="checkbox"/> Tax idemnification and gross-up payments <input type="checkbox"/> Discretionary spending account	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Housing allowance or residence for personal use <input type="checkbox"/> Payments for business use of personal residence <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Health or social club dues or initiation fees <input type="checkbox"/> Personal services (e.g., maid, chauffeur, chef)	
b If any of the boxes on Line 1a are checked, did the organization follow a written policy regarding payment or reimbursement or provision of all of the expenses described above? If "No," complete Part III to explain	1b Yes	
2 Did the organization require substantiation prior to reimbursing or allowing expenses incurred by all directors, trustees, officers, including the CEO/Executive Director, regarding the items checked on Line 1a?	2 Yes	
3 Indicate which, if any, of the following the filing organization used to establish the compensation of the organization's CEO/Executive Director. Check all that apply. Do not check any boxes for methods used by a related organization to establish compensation of the CEO/Executive Director, but explain in Part III.		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Compensation committee <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Independent compensation consultant <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form 990 of other organizations	<input type="checkbox"/> Written employment contract <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Compensation survey or study <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Approval by the board or compensation committee	
4 During the year, did any person listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, with respect to the filing organization or a related organization:		
a Receive a severance payment or change-of-control payment?	4a	No
b Participate in, or receive payment from, a supplemental nonqualified retirement plan?	4b	Yes
c Participate in, or receive payment from, an equity-based compensation arrangement?	4c	No
If "Yes" to any of lines 4a-c, list the persons and provide the applicable amounts for each item in Part III.		
Only 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations must complete lines 5-9.		
5 For persons listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization pay or accrue any compensation contingent on the revenues of:		
a The organization?	5a	
b Any related organization?	5b	
If "Yes," on line 5a or 5b, describe in Part III.		
6 For persons listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization pay or accrue any compensation contingent on the net earnings of:		
a The organization?	6a	
b Any related organization?	6b	
If "Yes," on line 6a or 6b, describe in Part III.		
7 For persons listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization provide any nonfixed payments not described in lines 5 and 6? If "Yes," describe in Part III.	7	
8 Were any amounts reported on Form 990, Part VII, paid or accrued pursuant to a contract that was subject to the initial contract exception described in Regulations section 53.4958-4(a)(3)? If "Yes," describe in Part III.	8	
9 If "Yes" on line 8, did the organization also follow the rebuttable presumption procedure described in Regulations section 53.4958-6(c)?	9	

Part III Supplemental Information

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

Return Reference	Explanation
PART I, LINE 1A	TAXABLE HOUSING ALLOWANCE: WILLIAM C. THOMPSON - \$14,242 NONTAXABLE SOCIAL CLUB DUES: EDWARD R. HAMBERGER - \$5,980 IAN JEFFERIES - \$9,663 WILLIAM C. THOMPSON - \$600
PART I, LINE 4B	JEFFREY D. MARSH PARTICIPATE IN RETENTION AND STAY AGREEMENT - \$170,667 THE FOLLOWING EXECUTIVE RECEIVED A PAYMENT FROM A RETENTION AND STAY AGREEMENT: EDWARD R. HAMBERGER - \$1,000,000 MICHAEL J. RUSH - \$144,386

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

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990 Schedule O, Supplemental Information

Return Reference	Explanation
FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION A, LINE 2	IAN N. JEFFERIES AND KATHRYN KIRMAYER - BUSINESS RELATIONSHIP

990 Schedule O, Supplemental Information

Return Reference	Explanation
FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION A, LINE 6	ORGANIZATION'S MEMBERS: AAR MEMBERS INCLUDE THE MAJOR FREIGHT RAILROADS OF THE UNITED STATES, CANADA AND MEXICO, AS WELL AS SMALLER RAILROADS THAT PROVIDE FREIGHT OR PASSENGER SERVICES THROUGHOUT NORTH AMERICA. IN ADDITION, NATIONAL RAILROAD PASSENGER CORP. (AMTRAK) IS A FULL MEMBER OF AAR. AAR'S FULL MEMBERS HAVE VOTING RIGHTS AS PRESCRIBED IN THE AAR BY-LAWS. AAR HAS FOUR CLASSES OF MEMBERSHIP: (1) FULL MEMBERSHIP IS AVAILABLE TO U.S. RAILROADS, (2) SPECIAL MEMBERSHIP IS AVAILABLE TO CANADIAN AND MEXICAN RAILROADS (3) ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP IS AVAILABLE TO RAILROAD SUPPLIERS, AND (4) AFFILIATE MEMBERSHIP IS AVAILABLE TO NON-CLASS I RAILROADS.

990 Schedule O, Supplemental Information

Return Reference	Explanation
FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION A, LINE 7B	AAR CORPORATE DOCUMENTS ALLOW FOR DECISIONS TO BE APPROVED BY MEMBERS TO THE EXTENT PROVIDED BY LAW. ALL MATTERS ARE SUBJECT TO APPROVAL IN ACCORDANCE WITH STATE/LOCAL LAW.

990 Schedule O, Supplemental Information

Return Reference	Explanation
FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION B, LINE 11B	THE FORM 990 IS REVIEWED BY THE PRESIDENT PRIOR TO FILING. THEN A COPY OF THE RETURN IS PROVIDED TO EACH MEMBER OF CURRENT GOVERNING BODY - VIA SECURE ONLINE LINK TO PDF DOCUMENT. THE DIRECTORS ARE GIVEN AN OPPORTUNITY TO REVIEW, DISCUSS, AND ASK QUESTIONS BEFORE THE RETURN IS FILED WITH THE IRS.

990 Schedule O, Supplemental Information

Return Reference	Explanation
FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION B, LINE 12C	AN ANNUAL WRITTEN CONFIRMATION OF COMPLIANCE WITH THE ORGANIZATION'S CONFLICT OF INTEREST POLICIES IS REQUIRED FROM ALL AAR EMPLOYEES AND DIRECTORS. THE ANNUAL CONFLICT OF INTEREST DISCLOSURES OF EMPLOYEES ARE REVIEWED BY THE GENERAL COUNSEL. THE DISCLOSURES OF THE OFFICERS, INCLUDING PRESIDENT, AND CEO, ARE REPORTED TO THE GENERAL COUNSEL. DISCLOSURES OF THE GENERAL COUNSEL ARE REPORTED TO THE CEO. IN THE EVENT OF AN ACTUAL OR POTENTIAL CONFLICT, AAR WOULD INVESTIGATE AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION TO AVOID AN ACTUAL OR POTENTIAL CONFLICT. SUCH ACTION WOULD INCLUDE THAT THE CONFLICTED PERSON DOES NOT PARTICIPATE IN THE REVIEW, RESOLUTION PROCESS, OR ANY DELIBERATION/DECISION MAKING RELATED TO THE MATTER. FOLLOW UP ACTIONS ARE TAKEN AS NEEDED BY AAR GENERAL COUNSEL OR THE CEO.

990 Schedule O, Supplemental Information

Return Reference	Explanation
FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION B, LINE 15	COMPARABILITY DATA IS PREPARED BY AN INDEPENDENT COMPENSATION CONSULTANT FOR EXECUTIVE (CEO AND VICE PRESIDENTS) COMPENSATION. THAT INFORMATION IS PROVIDED ANNUALLY TO THE ORGANIZATION'S GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE AS PART OF ITS ANNUAL BUDGET DELIBERATIONS. EXECUTIVE SALARIES ARE REVIEWED AND ANY MERIT ADJUSTMENTS FOR THAT FISCAL YEAR ARE DETERMINED AS PART OF THE ANNUAL BUDGETARY PROCESS. CONTEMPORANEOUS MINUTES OF GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE MEETINGS ARE MAINTAINED.

990 Schedule O, Supplemental Information

Return Reference	Explanation
FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION C, LINE 19	THE ORGANIZATION MAKES ITS GOVERNING DOCUMENTS, CONFLICT OF INTEREST POLICY, AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC TO THE EXTENT REQUIRED BY LAW.

990 Schedule O, Supplemental Information

Return Reference	Explanation
FORM 990, PART IX, LINE 11G	CONSULTING FEES 5,911,349. TELECOMMUNICATION SERVICE 187,820. OUTSIDE PRINTING 40,342. ECONOMIC RE-REG 2,079,600.

990 Schedule O, Supplemental Information

Return Reference	Explanation
FORM 990, PART XI, LINE 9:	UNRECOGNIZED CHANGE, DEFINED BENEFIT PLAN OBLIGATIONS 1,614,550.

**SCHEDULE R
(Form 990)**

Related Organizations and Unrelated Partnerships

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▶ **Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 33, 34, 35b, 36, or 37.**
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Name of the organization
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Employer identification number

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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
(1) RAILROAD RESEARCH FOUNDATION 425 THIRD ST SW SUITE 910 WASHINGTON, DC 20024 52-2344655	RESEARCH	DE	501(C)(3)	LINE 7	ASSOCIATION OF AMERICAN RAILROADS	Yes	
(2) RAILPAC 425 THIRD ST SW SUITE 1000 WASHINGTON, DC 20024 52-1811074	POLITICAL ACTIVITIES	DC	527		ASSOCIATION OF AMERICAN RAILROADS	Yes	
(3) AAR RETIREE LIFE INSURANCE TRUST 425 THIRD ST SW SUITE 1000 WASHINGTON, DC 20024 52-1161363	PROVIDES RETIREE LIFE INSURANCE TO PLAN PARTICIPANTS	DC	501(C)(9)		ASSOCIATION OF AMERICAN RAILROADS	Yes	

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		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
(1) TRANSPORTATION TECHNOLOGY CENTER INC 55500 DOT ROAD PUEBLO, CO 81001 84-1440384	RESEARCH & TESTING	DE	ASSOCIATION OF AMERICAN RAILROADS	C	39,226,557	47,191,373	100.000 %	Yes	
(2) RAILINC CORPORATION 7001 WESTON PARKWAY SUITE 200 CARY, NC 27513 52-2131600	IT & SVCS	DE	ASSOCIATION OF AMERICAN RAILROADS	C	77,282,798	48,523,632	100.000 %	Yes	

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.

	Yes	No
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		No
b Gift, grant, or capital contribution to related organization(s)		No
c Gift, grant, or capital contribution from related organization(s)		No
d Loans or loan guarantees to or for related organization(s)	Yes	
e Loans or loan guarantees by related organization(s)	Yes	
f Dividends from related organization(s)		No
g Sale of assets to related organization(s)		No
h Purchase of assets from related organization(s)		No
i Exchange of assets with related organization(s)		No
j Lease of facilities, equipment, or other assets to related organization(s)	Yes	
k Lease of facilities, equipment, or other assets from related organization(s)	Yes	
l Performance of services or membership or fundraising solicitations for related organization(s)	Yes	
m Performance of services or membership or fundraising solicitations by related organization(s)	Yes	
n Sharing of facilities, equipment, mailing lists, or other assets with related organization(s)	Yes	
o Sharing of paid employees with related organization(s)	Yes	
p Reimbursement paid to related organization(s) for expenses		No
q Reimbursement paid by related organization(s) for expenses	Yes	
r Other transfer of cash or property to related organization(s)	Yes	
s Other transfer of cash or property from related organization(s)	Yes	

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.

See Additional Data Table

(a) Name of related organization	(b) Transaction type (a-s)	(c) Amount involved	(d) Method of determining amount involved

Part VII Supplemental Information

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

Return Reference	Explanation
FORM 990, PART V	THE TRANSACTION CORRESPONDING WITH LINES 1D AND 1E INVOLVES AN UNSECURED LINE OF CREDIT WHICH WAS CO-SIGNED BY ORGANIZATIONS RELATED TO THE ASSOCIATION OF AMERICAN RAILROADS. THE \$4 MILLION UNSECURED LINE OF CREDIT HAD AN ORIGINAL EXPIRATION DATE OF JULY 31, 2008 AND THE AGREEMENT WAS SUBSEQUENTLY RENEWED MOST RECENTLY DURING 2019, WITH A MATURITY DATE OF AUGUST 30, 2020. UNDER THE LINE OF CREDIT FACILITY, SUNTRUST BANK WILL ALLOW ADVANCES AT ANY TIME PROVIDED NO SIGNIFICANT DETERIORATION IN THE FINANCIAL CONDITION OF THE CO-BORROWERS HAS OCCURRED. AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2019, NO AMOUNTS HAD BEEN WITHDRAWN ON THE LINE OF CREDIT.

Additional Data

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Form 990, Schedule R, Part V - Transactions With Related Organizations

(a) Name of related organization	(b) Transaction type(a-s)	(c) Amount Involved	(d) Method of determining amount involved
RAILINC CORPORATION	L	1,805,208	COST
RAILINC CORPORATION	M	379,688	COST
TRANSPORTATION TECHNOLOGY CENTER INC	L	1,160,402	COST
TRANSPORTATION TECHNOLOGY CENTER INC	M	14,236,638	COST
RAILINC CORPORATION	Q	374,706	
RAILINC CORPORATION	S	3,991,067	
TRANSPORTATION TECHNOLOGY CENTER INC	Q	1,120,303	
RAILPAC	Q	67,864	