

Form **990**

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

OMB No. 1545-0047

2015
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Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

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A For the 2015 calendar year, or tax year beginning _____ **and ending** _____

B Check if applicable:	C Name of organization ACUMEN FUND, INC.	D Employer identification number 13-4166228
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Address change	Doing business as	E Telephone number 212-566-8821
<input type="checkbox"/> Name change	Number and street (or P.O. box if mail is not delivered to street address) Room/suite 40 WORTH STREET 303	
<input type="checkbox"/> Initial return	City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code NEW YORK, NY 10013	G Gross receipts \$ 23,670,046.
<input type="checkbox"/> Final return/terminated	F Name and address of principal officer: JACQUELINE NOVOGRATZ SAME AS C ABOVE	H(a) Is this a group return for subordinates? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
<input type="checkbox"/> Amended return		H(b) Are all subordinates included? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If "No," attach a list. (see instructions)
<input type="checkbox"/> Application pending	I Tax-exempt status: <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(c) Group exemption number ▶
J Website: ▶ WWW.ACUMEN.ORG		L Year of formation: 2001 M State of legal domicile: NY
K Form of organization: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Corporation <input type="checkbox"/> Trust <input type="checkbox"/> Association <input type="checkbox"/> Other ▶		

Part I Summary				
Activities & Governance	1	Briefly describe the organization's mission or most significant activities: OUR MISSION IS TO CREATE A WORLD BEYOND POVERTY BY INVESTING IN COMPANIES, LEADERS, AND IDEAS.		
	2	Check this box <input type="checkbox"/> 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	16
	4	Number of independent voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1b)	4	15
	5	Total number of individuals employed in calendar year 2015 (Part V, line 2a)	5	71
	6	Total number of volunteers (estimate if necessary)	6	17
	7a	Total unrelated business revenue from Part VIII, column (C), line 12	7a	0.
	b Net unrelated business taxable income from Form 990-T, line 34	7b	0.	
Revenue	8	Contributions and grants (Part VIII, line 1h)	18,371,359.	22,558,173.
	9	Program service revenue (Part VIII, line 2g)	743,453.	769,446.
	10	Investment income (Part VIII, column (A), lines 3, 4, and 7d)	-393,477.	290,683.
	11	Other revenue (Part VIII, column (A), lines 5, 6d, 8c, 9c, 10c, and 11e)	10,595.	10,218.
	12	Total revenue - add lines 8 through 11 (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	18,731,930.	23,628,520.
	Expenses	13	Grants and similar amounts paid (Part IX, column (A), lines 1-3)	975,304.
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)	7,452,108.	8,662,728.
16a		Professional fundraising fees (Part IX, column (A), line 11e)	0.	0.
		b Total fundraising expenses (Part IX, column (D), line 25) ▶ 2,052,248.		
17		Other expenses (Part IX, column (A), lines 11a-11d, 11f-24e)	8,444,137.	7,384,046.
18		Total expenses. Add lines 13-17 (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	16,871,549.	17,285,498.
19	Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 18 from line 12	1,860,381.	6,343,022.	
Net Assets or Fund Balances	20	Total assets (Part X, line 16)	96,563,935.	102,771,968.
	21	Total liabilities (Part X, line 26)	1,246,537.	1,401,512.
	22	Net assets or fund balances. Subtract line 21 from line 20	95,317,398.	101,370,456.

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 AMRITA BHANDARI, CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER	Date
	Type or print name and title	
Paid Preparer Use Only	Print/Type preparer's name GARRETT M. HIGGINS	Preparer's signature GARRETT M. HIGGINS
	Firm's name ▶ PKF O'CONNOR DAVIES, LLP	Date 08/09/16
	Firm's address ▶ 665 FIFTH AVENUE NEW YORK, NY 10022	Check if self-employed <input type="checkbox"/> PTIN P00543209
		Firm's EIN ▶ 27-1728945
		Phone no. (212) 286-2600

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

Part III Statement of Program Service Accomplishments

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

1 Briefly describe the organization's mission: ACUMEN FUND IS WORKING TO CHANGE THE WAY THE WORLD TACKLES POVERTY BY INVESTING IN COMPANIES, LEADERS AND IDEAS. WE INVEST PATIENT CAPITAL IN BUSINESSES THAT DELIVER CRITICAL, AFFORDABLE GOODS AND SERVICES TO THE POOR, IMPROVING THE LIVES OF MILLIONS IN SOUTH ASIA, SUB-SAHARAN

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 [X] No If "Yes," describe these new services on Schedule O.

3 Did the organization cease conducting, or make significant changes in how it conducts, any program services? [] Yes [X] No If "Yes," describe these changes on Schedule O.

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

4a (Code:) (Expenses \$ 7,914,774. including grants of \$ 1,213,724.) (Revenue \$ 1,008,193.) INVESTING AND PORTFOLIO MANAGEMENT:

ACUMEN INVESTS PATIENT CAPITAL IN BUSINESS MODELS THAT DELIVER CRITICAL, AFFORDABLE GOODS AND SERVICES TO THE WORLD'S POOR, IMPROVING THE LIVES OF MILLIONS. SINCE 2001, ACUMEN HAS INVESTED IN BUSINESSES THAT PROVIDE ACCESS TO WATER, HEALTH, ENERGY, HOUSING, EDUCATION AND AGRICULTURAL SERVICES TO LOW-INCOME CUSTOMERS. IN ADDITION TO ACUMEN'S WORK IN INDIA, PAKISTAN, EAST AND WEST AFRICA, ACUMEN HAS MOST RECENTLY EXPANDED ITS WORK INTO LATIN AMERICA AND THE US. ACUMEN HAS CUMULATIVELY INVESTED \$97 MILLION IN 90 BUSINESSES SERVING THE POOR.

POST-INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT HAS CONTINUED TO BE A KEY PRIORITY FOR

4b (Code:) (Expenses \$ 3,688,249. including grants of \$ 25,000.) (Revenue \$) IDEAS:

THE GOAL OF THE IMPACT AND COMMUNICATIONS TEAMS AT ACUMEN IS TO SUPPORT ITS MISSION OF CHANGING THE WAY THE WORLD TACKLES POVERTY BY SHARING WHAT WE ARE LEARNING FROM OUR PORTFOLIO TO SHARE THE INSIGHTS AND CARVE A NEW APPROACH THAT ADDRESSES POVERTY THROUGH ENTREPRENEURIAL SOLUTIONS.

ACUMEN'S IMPACT TEAM CONTINUES TO ADVANCE THE ORGANIZATION'S ROLE IN UNDERSTANDING AND MEASURING SOCIAL PERFORMANCE IN THE IMPACT INVESTING INDUSTRY. BUILDING UPON THE FRAMEWORK WE ESTABLISHED IN 2014, OUR IMPACT TEAM LAUNCHED LEAN DATA MEASUREMENT SERVICES IN 2015.

4c (Code:) (Expenses \$ 1,442,394. including grants of \$) (Revenue \$) FELLOWS AND LEADERSHIP PROGRAMS:

AT THE END OF Q4 2015, WE REACHED A CUMULATIVE 322 FELLOWS, WHO TAKE PART IN ACUMEN'S GLOBAL AND REGIONAL LEADERSHIP PROGRAMS. WE RECEIVED MORE THAN 1,200 APPLICATIONS FROM 105 COUNTRIES FOR OUR 10TH CLASS OF GLOBAL FELLOWS AND WELCOMED PEOPLE FROM 10 NATIONS, RANGING FROM BELARUS TO NIGERIA TO AUSTRALIA, TO BECOME PART OF THE YEAR'S COHORT. WE ALSO SAW CONTINUED POPULARITY OF OUR PAKISTAN AND INDIA FELLOWS PROGRAMS. THE CLASSES OF OUR REGIONAL FELLOWS IN EAST AFRICA, INDIA AND PAKISTAN WERE HAILED FROM A VARIETY OF DIFFERENT FIELDS INCLUDING CORPORATIONS, SOCIAL ENTERPRISES, NGOS AND GOVERNMENT.

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

4e Total program service expenses 13,045,417.

Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules

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

Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules (continued)

	Yes	No
20a Did the organization operate one or more hospital facilities? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule H</i>		X
b If "Yes" to line 20a, did the organization attach a copy of its audited financial statements to this return?		
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>		X
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>		X
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>	X	
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>		X
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>		X
b Is the organization aware that it engaged in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person in a prior year, and that the transaction has not been reported on any of the organization's prior Forms 990 or 990-EZ? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I</i>		X
26 Did the organization report any amount on Part X, line 5, 6, or 22 for receivables from or payables to any current or former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, highest compensated employees, or disqualified persons? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part II</i>		X
27 Did the organization provide a grant or other assistance to an officer, director, trustee, key employee, substantial contributor or employee thereof, a grant selection committee member, or to a 35% controlled entity or family member of any of these persons? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part III</i>		X
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, or key employee? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV</i>		X
b A family member of a current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV</i>		X
c An entity of which a current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee (or a family member thereof) was an officer, director, trustee, or direct or indirect owner? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV</i>		X
29 Did the organization receive more than \$25,000 in non-cash contributions? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule M</i>	X	
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>		X
31 Did the organization liquidate, terminate, or dissolve and cease operations? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part I</i>		X
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>		X
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>		X
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>	X	
35a Did the organization have a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)?	X	
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>	X	
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>		X
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>		X
38 Did the organization complete Schedule O and provide explanations in Schedule O for Part VI, lines 11b and 19?	X	

Note. All Form 990 filers are required to complete Schedule O

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

X

Table with columns for question number, question text, and Yes/No checkboxes. Includes sections for backup withholding, employee reporting, foreign accounts, prohibited transactions, and charitable contributions.

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

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

Section A. Governing Body and Management

		Yes	No
1a	Enter the number of voting members of the governing body at the end of the tax year If there are material differences in voting rights among members of the governing body, or if the governing body delegated broad authority to an executive committee or similar committee, explain in Schedule O.		
	1a 16		
b	Enter the number of voting members included in line 1a, above, who are independent		
	1b 15		
2	Did any officer, director, trustee, or key employee have a family relationship or a business relationship with any other officer, director, trustee, or key employee?	X	
3	Did the organization delegate control over management duties customarily performed by or under the direct supervision of officers, directors, or trustees, or key employees to a management company or other person?	X	
4	Did the organization make any significant changes to its governing documents since the prior Form 990 was filed?		X
5	Did the organization become aware during the year of a significant diversion of the organization's assets?		X
6	Did the organization have members or stockholders?		X
7a	Did the organization have members, stockholders, or other persons who had the power to elect or appoint one or more members of the governing body?		X
b	Are any governance decisions of the organization reserved to (or subject to approval by) members, stockholders, or persons other than the governing body?		X
8	Did the organization contemporaneously document the meetings held or written actions undertaken during the year by the following:		
a	The governing body?	X	
b	Each committee with authority to act on behalf of the governing body?	X	
9	Is there any officer, director, trustee, or key employee listed in Part VII, Section A, who cannot be reached at the organization's mailing address? If "Yes," provide the names and addresses in Schedule O		X

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

		Yes	No
10a	Did the organization have local chapters, branches, or affiliates?	X	
b	If "Yes," did the organization have written policies and procedures governing the activities of such chapters, affiliates, and branches to ensure their operations are consistent with the organization's exempt purposes?	X	
11a	Has the organization provided a complete copy of this Form 990 to all members of its governing body before filing the form?	X	
b	Describe in Schedule O the process, if any, used by the organization to review this Form 990.		
12a	Did the organization have a written conflict of interest policy? If "No," go to line 13	X	
b	Were officers, directors, or trustees, and key employees required to disclose annually interests that could give rise to conflicts?	X	
c	Did the organization regularly and consistently monitor and enforce compliance with the policy? If "Yes," describe in Schedule O how this was done	X	
13	Did the organization have a written whistleblower policy?	X	
14	Did the organization have a written document retention and destruction policy?	X	
15	Did the process for determining compensation of the following persons include a review and approval by independent persons, comparability data, and contemporaneous substantiation of the deliberation and decision?		
a	The organization's CEO, Executive Director, or top management official	X	
b	Other officers or key employees of the organization	X	
	If "Yes" to line 15a or 15b, describe the process in Schedule O (see instructions).		
16a	Did the organization invest in, contribute assets to, or participate in a joint venture or similar arrangement with a taxable entity during the year?		X
b	If "Yes," did the organization follow a written policy or procedure requiring the organization to evaluate its participation in joint venture arrangements under applicable federal tax law, and take steps to safeguard the organization's exempt status with respect to such arrangements?		

Section C. Disclosure

- 17** List the states with which a copy of this Form 990 is required to be filed **CA, NY, MA, DC, IL, FL**
- 18** Section 6104 requires an organization to make its Forms 1023 (or 1024 if applicable), 990, and 990-T (Section 501(c)(3)s only) available for public inspection. Indicate how you made these available. Check all that apply.
 Own website Another's website Upon request Other (explain in Schedule O)
- 19** Describe in Schedule O whether (and if so, how) the organization made its governing documents, conflict of interest policy, and financial statements available to the public during the tax year.
- 20** State the name, address, and telephone number of the person who possesses the organization's books and records: **AMRITA BHANDARI, CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER - 646-747-3687**
40 WORTH STREET, NO. 303, NEW YORK, NY 10013

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

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

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

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

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

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

Check this box if neither the organization nor any related organization compensated any current officer, director, or trustee.

(A) Name and Title	(B) Average hours per week (list any hours for related organizations below line)	(C) Position (do not check more than one box, unless person is both an officer and a director/trustee)						(D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W-2/1099-MISC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W-2/1099-MISC)	(F) Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations
		Individual trustee or director	Institutional trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former			
(1) JACQUELINE NOVOGRATZ CEO & DIRECTOR	40.00			X				321,602.	0.	23,735.
(2) ROBERT H. NIEHAUS BOARD CHAIR	1.00	X		X				0.	0.	0.
(3) ALI J. SIDDIQUI DIRECTOR	1.00	X						0.	0.	0.
(4) BOB COLLYMORE DIRECTOR	1.00	X						0.	0.	0.
(5) C. HUNTER BOLL DIRECTOR	1.00	X						0.	0.	0.
(6) DAVID HELLER DIRECTOR	1.00	X						0.	0.	0.
(7) GV PRASAD DIRECTOR	1.00	X						0.	0.	0.
(8) JOSEPH E. STIGLITZ DIRECTOR	1.00	X						0.	0.	0.
(9) JULIUS GAUDIO DIRECTOR	1.00	X						0.	0.	0.
(10) KEN OFORI-ATTA, DIRECTOR THROUGH MARCH 2015	1.00	X						0.	0.	0.
(11) MARGO ALEXANDER DIRECTOR	1.00	X						0.	0.	0.
(12) MICHAEL E. NOVOGRATZ DIRECTOR	1.00	X						0.	0.	0.
(13) NAVEED RIAZ THROUGH APRIL 2015	1.00	X						0.	0.	0.
(14) PAT MITCHELL DIRECTOR	1.00	X						0.	0.	0.
(15) SHAIZA RIZAVI DIRECTOR	1.00	X						0.	0.	0.
(16) STUART DAVIDSON DIRECTOR	1.00	X						0.	0.	0.
(17) THULASIRAJ RAVILLA DIRECTOR	1.00	X						0.	0.	0.

Part VII Section A. Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees (continued)

(A) Name and title	(B) Average hours per week (list any hours for related organizations below line)	(C) Position (do not check more than one box, unless person is both an officer and a director/trustee)						(D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W-2/1099-MISC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W-2/1099-MISC)	(F) Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations
		Individual trustee or director	Institutional trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former			
(18) WILLIAM E MAYER DIRECTOR	1.00	X					0.	0.	0.	
(19) SACHINDRA RUDRA CHIEF INVESTMENT OFFICER	40.00 1.00			X			251,710.	0.	15,302.	
(20) CARLYLE JONES CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER	40.00			X			248,351.	0.	21,836.	
(21) ALEXANDER DICHTER CHIEF INNOVATION OFFICER	40.00 1.00			X			229,967.	0.	32,888.	
(22) AMRITA BHANDARI CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER	40.00			X			182,880.	0.	5,858.	
(23) LYNN ROLAND GENERAL COUNSEL	40.00 1.00					X	191,500.	0.	6,117.	
(24) SABRINA N DUPRE GLOBAL HEAD OF BRAND STRATEGY & COMM	40.00					X	191,288.	0.	21,396.	
(25) YASMINA ZAIDMAN DIRECTOR OF STRATEGIC PART	40.00					X	171,662.	0.	5,522.	
(26) SHUAIB SIDDIQUI DIRECTOR OF PORTFOLIO	40.00					X	169,242.	0.	15,421.	
1b Sub-total							1,958,202.	0.	148,075.	
c Total from continuation sheets to Part VII, Section A							168,277.	0.	27,426.	
d Total (add lines 1b and 1c)							2,126,479.	0.	175,501.	

2 Total number of individuals (including but not limited to those listed above) who received more than \$100,000 of reportable compensation from the organization **16**

	Yes	No
3 Did the organization list any former officer, director, or trustee, key employee, or highest compensated employee on line 1a? If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual		X
4 For any individual listed on line 1a, is the sum of reportable compensation and other compensation from the organization and related organizations greater than \$150,000? If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual	X	
5 Did any person listed on line 1a receive or accrue compensation from any unrelated organization or individual for services rendered to the organization? If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such person		X

Section B. Independent Contractors

1 Complete this table for your five highest compensated independent contractors that received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization. Report compensation for the calendar year ending with or within the organization's tax year.

(A) Name and business address	(B) Description of services	(C) Compensation
ADP TOTALSOURCE 5800 WINDWARD PARKWAY, ALPHARETTA, GA 30005	PROFESSIONAL EMPLOYER ORGANIZATIO	154,681.
ENTERMEDIA, LLC 408 - B EAST 43RD STREET, AUSTIN, TX 78751	WEB MEDIA & DESIGN SERVICES	140,623.
BRIDGE PARTNERS, 1501 BROADWAY, SUITE 2605, NEW YORK, NY 10036	RECRUITING SERVICES	104,387.

2 Total number of independent contractors (including but not limited to those listed above) who received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization **3**

SEE PART VII, SECTION A CONTINUATION SHEETS

Part VIII Statement of Revenue

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

			(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	
			Total revenue	Related or exempt function revenue	Unrelated business revenue	Revenue excluded from tax under sections 512 - 514	
Contributions, Gifts, Grants and Other Similar Amounts	1 a 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	22,558,173.				
	g Noncash contributions included in lines 1a-1f: \$		480,175.				
	h Total. Add lines 1a-1f		22,558,173.				
Program Service Revenue	2 a PROGRAMMATIC FEES	Business Code	900099	416,957.	416,957.		
	b PGM RELATED LOAN INC		900099	352,489.	352,489.		
	c						
	d						
	e						
	f All other program service revenue						
	g Total. Add lines 2a-2f			769,446.			
Other Revenue	3 Investment income (including dividends, interest, and other similar amounts)			51,936.		51,936.	
	4 Income from investment of tax-exempt bond proceeds						
	5 Royalties			8,067.		8,067.	
	6 a Gross rents	(i) Real	(ii) Personal				
		b Less: rental expenses					
		c Rental income or (loss)					
		d Net rental income or (loss)					
	7 a Gross amount from sales of assets other than inventory	(i) Securities	(ii) Other				
		b Less: cost or other basis and sales expenses			41,526.		
		c Gain or (loss)			238,747.		
		d Net gain or (loss)			238,747.	238,747.	
	8 a Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ _____ of contributions reported on line 1c). See Part IV, line 18	a					
		b Less: direct expenses					
		c Net income or (loss) from fundraising events					
	9 a Gross income from gaming activities. See Part IV, line 19	a					
b Less: direct expenses							
c Net income or (loss) from gaming activities							
10 a Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances	a						
	b Less: cost of goods sold						
	c Net income or (loss) from sales of inventory						
Miscellaneous Revenue		Business Code					
11 a SPEAKER FEES		900099	2,145.			2,145.	
b OTHER INCOME		900099	6.			6.	
c							
d All other revenue							
e Total. Add lines 11a-11d			2,151.				
12 Total revenue. See instructions.			23,628,520.	1,008,193.	0.	62,154.	

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 X

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				
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	1,238,724.	1,238,724.		
4 Benefits paid to or for members				
5 Compensation of current officers, directors, trustees, and key employees	1,334,129.	855,417.	245,556.	233,156.
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	6,279,212.	3,895,437.	1,160,589.	1,223,186.
8 Pension plan accruals and contributions (include section 401(k) and 403(b) employer contributions)	124,459.	81,558.	25,880.	17,021.
9 Other employee benefits	414,496.	275,108.	88,837.	50,551.
10 Payroll taxes	510,432.	297,341.	92,485.	120,606.
11 Fees for services (non-employees):				
a Management	154,681.	94,207.	33,686.	26,788.
b Legal	112,305.	68,988.	43,317.	
c Accounting	112,980.	68,086.	18,349.	26,545.
d Lobbying				
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 Sch. O.)	2,674,435.	2,507,626.	116,695.	50,114.
12 Advertising and promotion	122,592.	105,799.	349.	16,444.
13 Office expenses	384,005.	252,062.	67,309.	64,634.
14 Information technology	238,406.	97,383.	82,709.	58,314.
15 Royalties				
16 Occupancy	168,094.	131,119.	17,583.	19,392.
17 Travel	741,958.	557,904.	95,825.	88,229.
18 Payments of travel or entertainment expenses for any federal, state, or local public officials				
19 Conferences, conventions, and meetings	269,855.	236,156.	18,675.	15,024.
20 Interest				
21 Payments to affiliates				
22 Depreciation, depletion, and amortization	132,795.	61,094.	41,295.	30,406.
23 Insurance	80,262.	49,109.	19,315.	11,838.
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 PROV FOR PORTFOLIO LOSS	2,159,991.	2,159,991.		
b FOREIGN CURRENCY LOSS	19,379.		19,379.	
c CORPORATE TAXES	12,308.	12,308.		
d				
e All other expenses				
25 Total functional expenses. Add lines 1 through 24e	17,285,498.	13,045,417.	2,187,833.	2,052,248.
26 Joint costs. Complete this line only if the organization reported in column (B) joint costs from a combined educational campaign and fundraising solicitation.				

Check here if following SOP 98-2 (ASC 958-720)

Part X Balance Sheet

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

		(A)		(B)	
		Beginning of year		End of year	
Assets	1 Cash - non-interest-bearing	53,572.	1	3,205,098.	
	2 Savings and temporary cash investments	41,646,098.	2	28,062,176.	
	3 Pledges and grants receivable, net	16,536,895.	3	20,828,308.	
	4 Accounts receivable, net	1,263,102.	4	2,000,974.	
	5 Loans and other receivables from current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, and highest compensated employees. Complete Part II of Schedule L		5		
	6 Loans and other receivables from other disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)), persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B), and contributing employers and sponsoring organizations of section 501(c)(9) voluntary employees' beneficiary organizations (see instr). Complete Part II of Sch L		6		
	7 Notes and loans receivable, net		7		
	8 Inventories for sale or use		8		
	9 Prepaid expenses and deferred charges	105,951.	9	187,124.	
	10a Land, buildings, and equipment: cost or other basis. Complete Part VI of Schedule D	10a 1,322,999.			
	b Less: accumulated depreciation	10b 835,585.	116,343.	10c	487,414.
	11 Investments - publicly traded securities		11		
	12 Investments - other securities. See Part IV, line 11	500,959.	12	500,959.	
	13 Investments - program-related. See Part IV, line 11	35,872,479.	13	46,829,779.	
	14 Intangible assets		14		
	15 Other assets. See Part IV, line 11	468,536.	15	670,136.	
16 Total assets. Add lines 1 through 15 (must equal line 34)	96,563,935.	16	102,771,968.		
Liabilities	17 Accounts payable and accrued expenses	1,246,537.	17	1,401,512.	
	18 Grants payable		18		
	19 Deferred revenue		19		
	20 Tax-exempt bond liabilities		20		
	21 Escrow or custodial account liability. Complete Part IV of Schedule D		21		
	22 Loans and other payables to current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, highest compensated employees, and disqualified persons. Complete Part II of Schedule L		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		25		
	26 Total liabilities. Add lines 17 through 25	1,246,537.	26	1,401,512.	
Net Assets or Fund Balances	Organizations that follow SFAS 117 (ASC 958), check here <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 27 through 29, and lines 33 and 34.				
	27 Unrestricted net assets	70,062,897.	27	74,601,579.	
	28 Temporarily restricted net assets	25,254,501.	28	26,768,877.	
	29 Permanently restricted net assets		29		
	Organizations that do not follow SFAS 117 (ASC 958), check here <input type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 30 through 34.				
	30 Capital stock or trust principal, or current funds		30		
	31 Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, building, or equipment fund		31		
	32 Retained earnings, endowment, accumulated income, or other funds		32		
33 Total net assets or fund balances	95,317,398.	33	101,370,456.		
34 Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances	96,563,935.	34	102,771,968.		

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	23,628,520.
2	Total expenses (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	2	17,285,498.
3	Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 2 from line 1	3	6,343,022.
4	Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (must equal Part X, line 33, column (A))	4	95,317,398.
5	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	5	
6	Donated services and use of facilities	6	-255,138.
7	Investment expenses	7	
8	Prior period adjustments	8	
9	Other changes in net assets or fund balances (explain in Schedule O)	9	-34,826.
10	Net assets or fund balances at end of year. Combine lines 3 through 9 (must equal Part X, line 33, column (B))	10	101,370,456.

Part XII Financial Statements and Reporting

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

		Yes	No
1	Accounting method used to prepare the Form 990: <input type="checkbox"/> Cash <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Accrual <input type="checkbox"/> Other		
If the organization changed its method of accounting from a prior year or checked "Other," explain in Schedule O.			
2a	Were the organization's financial statements compiled or reviewed by an independent accountant?		X
If "Yes," check a box below to indicate whether the financial statements for the year were compiled or reviewed on a separate basis, consolidated basis, or both:			
<input type="checkbox"/> Separate basis <input type="checkbox"/> Consolidated basis <input type="checkbox"/> Both consolidated and separate basis			
b	Were the organization's financial statements audited by an independent accountant?	X	
If "Yes," check a box below to indicate whether the financial statements for the year were audited on a separate basis, consolidated basis, or both:			
<input type="checkbox"/> Separate basis <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Consolidated basis <input type="checkbox"/> Both consolidated and separate basis			
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?	X	
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?		X
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		

Form 990 (2015)

SCHEDULE A
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Public Charity Status and Public Support

Complete if the organization is a section 501(c)(3) organization or a section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust.
▶ Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ.

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

Name of the organization **ACUMEN FUND, INC.** Employer identification number **13-4166228**

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

The organization is not a private foundation because it is: (For lines 1 through 11, check only one box.)

- 1 A church, convention of churches, or association of churches described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(i)**.
- 2 A school described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)**. (Attach Schedule E (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 organization that normally receives: (1) more than 33 1/3% of its support from contributions, membership fees, and gross receipts from activities related to its exempt functions - subject to certain exceptions, and (2) no more than 33 1/3% of its support from gross investment income and unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 tax) from businesses acquired by the organization after June 30, 1975. See **section 509(a)(2)**. (Complete Part III.)
- 10 An organization organized and operated exclusively to test for public safety. See **section 509(a)(4)**.
- 11 An organization organized and operated exclusively for the benefit of, to perform the functions of, or to carry out the purposes of one or more publicly supported organizations described in **section 509(a)(1)** or **section 509(a)(2)**. See **section 509(a)(3)**. Check the box in lines 11a through 11d that describes the type of supporting organization and complete lines 11e, 11f, and 11g.
 - a **Type I.** A supporting organization operated, supervised, or controlled by its supported organization(s), typically by giving the supported organization(s) the power to regularly appoint or elect a majority of the directors or trustees of the supporting organization. **You must complete Part IV, Sections A and B.**
 - b **Type II.** A supporting organization supervised or controlled in connection with its supported organization(s), by having control or management of the supporting organization vested in the same persons that control or manage the supported organization(s). **You must complete Part IV, Sections A and C.**
 - c **Type III functionally integrated.** A supporting organization operated in connection with, and functionally integrated with, its supported organization(s) (see instructions). **You must complete Part IV, Sections A, D, and E.**
 - d **Type III non-functionally integrated.** A supporting organization operated in connection with its supported organization(s) that is not functionally integrated. The organization generally must satisfy a distribution requirement and an attentiveness requirement (see instructions). **You must complete Part IV, Sections A and D, and Part V.**
 - e Check this box if the organization received a written determination from the IRS that it is a Type I, Type II, Type III functionally integrated, or Type III non-functionally integrated supporting organization.
- f Enter the number of supported organizations
- g Provide the following information about the supported organization(s).

(i) Name of supported organization	(ii) EIN	(iii) Type of organization (described on lines 1-9 above (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		
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) 2011	(b) 2012	(c) 2013	(d) 2014	(e) 2015	(f) Total
1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received. (Do not include any "unusual grants.")	18,154,356.	9,171,604.	15,276,219.	18,371,359.	22,558,173.	83,531,711.
2 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf						
3 The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge ...						
4 Total. Add lines 1 through 3	18,154,356.	9,171,604.	15,276,219.	18,371,359.	22,558,173.	83,531,711.
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)						13,395,377.
6 Public support. Subtract line 5 from line 4.						70,136,334.

Section B. Total Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ▶	(a) 2011	(b) 2012	(c) 2013	(d) 2014	(e) 2015	(f) Total
7 Amounts from line 4	18,154,356.	9,171,604.	15,276,219.	18,371,359.	22,558,173.	83,531,711.
8 Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources ...	194,871.	116,788.	75,451.	61,519.	60,003.	508,632.
9 Net income from unrelated business activities, whether or not the business is regularly carried on ...						
10 Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part VI.)	27,645.	122,124.	79,080.	5,082.	2,151.	236,082.
11 Total support. Add lines 7 through 10						84,276,425.
12 Gross receipts from related activities, etc. (see instructions)					12	5,364,099.
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 2015 (line 6, column (f) divided by line 11, column (f))	14	83.22 %
15 Public support percentage from 2014 Schedule A, Part II, line 14	15	82.95 %
16a 33 1/3% support test - 2015. 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 - 2014. 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 - 2015. 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 - 2014. 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 9 of Part I or if the organization failed to qualify under Part II. If the organization fails to qualify under the tests listed below, please complete Part II.)

Section A. Public Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ►	(a) 2011	(b) 2012	(c) 2013	(d) 2014	(e) 2015	(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) 2011	(b) 2012	(c) 2013	(d) 2014	(e) 2015	(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 2015 (line 8, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f))	15	%
16 Public support percentage from 2014 Schedule A, Part III, line 15	16	%

Section D. Computation of Investment Income Percentage

17 Investment income percentage for 2015 (line 10c, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f))	17	%
18 Investment income percentage from 2014 Schedule A, Part III, line 17	18	%

19a 33 1/3% support tests - 2015. 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 - 2014. 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 11 on Part I. If you checked 11a of Part I, complete Sections A and B. If you checked 11b of Part I, complete Sections A and C. If you checked 11c of Part I, complete Sections A, D, and E. If you checked 11d of Part I, complete Sections A and D, and complete Part V.)

Section A. All Supporting Organizations

	Yes	No
1 Are all of the organization's supported organizations listed by name in the organization's governing documents? <i>If "No" describe in Part VI how the supported organizations are designated. If designated by class or purpose, describe the designation. If historic and continuing relationship, explain.</i>		
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 11a or 11b 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.	Yes	No
b Did the activities described in (a) constitute activities that, but for the organization's involvement, one or more of the organization's supported organization(s) would have been engaged in? If "Yes," explain in Part VI the reasons for the organization's position that its supported organization(s) would have engaged in these activities but for the organization's involvement.		
3 Parent of Supported Organizations. Answer (a) and (b) below.		
a Did the organization have the power to regularly appoint or elect a majority of the officers, directors, or trustees of each of the supported organizations? Provide details in Part VI .		
b Did the organization exercise a substantial degree of direction over the policies, programs, and activities of each of its supported organizations? If "Yes," describe in Part VI the role played by the organization in this regard.		

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

1 Check here if the organization satisfied the Integral Part Test as a qualifying trust on Nov. 20, 1970. **See instructions.** All other Type III non-functionally integrated supporting organizations must complete Sections A through E.

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

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 2015 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-2015	(iii) Distributable Amount for 2015
1 Distributable amount for 2015 from Section C, line 6			
2 Underdistributions, if any, for years prior to 2015 (reasonable cause required-see instructions)			
3 Excess distributions carryover, if any, to 2015:			
a			
b			
c			
d From 2013			
e From 2014			
f Total of lines 3a through e			
g Applied to underdistributions of prior years			
h Applied to 2015 distributable amount			
i Carryover from 2010 not applied (see instructions)			
j Remainder. Subtract lines 3g, 3h, and 3i from 3f.			
4 Distributions for 2015 from Section D, line 7: \$			
a Applied to underdistributions of prior years			
b Applied to 2015 distributable amount			
c Remainder. Subtract lines 4a and 4b from 4.			
5 Remaining underdistributions for years prior to 2015, if any. Subtract lines 3g and 4a from line 2 (if amount greater than zero, see instructions).			
6 Remaining underdistributions for 2015. Subtract lines 3h and 4b from line 1 (if amount greater than zero, see instructions).			
7 Excess distributions carryover to 2016. Add lines 3j and 4c.			
8 Breakdown of line 7:			
a			
b			
c Excess from 2013			
d Excess from 2014			
e Excess from 2015			

Schedule A (Form 990 or 990-EZ) 2015

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.)

SCHEDULE A, PART II, LINE 10, EXPLANATION FOR OTHER INCOME:

OTHER INCOME

2011 AMOUNT: \$ 1,770.

2012 AMOUNT: \$ 10,140.

2013 AMOUNT: \$ 450.

2014 AMOUNT: \$ 343.

2015 AMOUNT: \$ 6.

SPEAKER FEE

2011 AMOUNT: \$ 25,875.

2012 AMOUNT: \$ 33,980.

2013 AMOUNT: \$ 42,658.

2015 AMOUNT: \$ 2,145.

FOREIGN CURRENCY GAIN/LOSS

2012 AMOUNT: \$ 78,004.

2013 AMOUNT: \$ 35,972.

LOAN CLOSING FEES

2014 AMOUNT: \$ 4,739.

Schedule B

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

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Schedule of Contributors

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

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2015

Name of the organization

ACUMEN FUND, INC.

Employer identification number

13-4166228

Organization type (check one):

Filers of:

Section:

Form 990 or 990-EZ

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. Do not complete any of the parts unless the **General Rule** applies to this organization because it received *nonexclusively* religious, charitable, etc., contributions totaling \$5,000 or more during the year ▶ \$ _____

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

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

(a) No.	(b) Name, address, and ZIP + 4	(c) Total contributions	(d) Type of contribution
1	_____ _____ _____	\$ <u>500,000.</u>	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
2	_____ _____ _____	\$ <u>500,000.</u>	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
3	_____ _____ _____	\$ <u>1,000,000.</u>	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
4	_____ _____ _____	\$ <u>1,250,000.</u>	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
5	_____ _____ _____	\$ <u>1,750,000.</u>	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
6	_____ _____ _____	\$ <u>1,500,000.</u>	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)

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

(a) No.	(b) Name, address, and ZIP + 4	(c) Total contributions	(d) Type of contribution
7	<hr/> <hr/> <hr/>	\$ 600,000.	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
8	<hr/> <hr/> <hr/>	\$ 499,970.	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 Noncash Property (see instructions). Use duplicate copies of Part II if additional space is needed.

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

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Part III Exclusively religious, charitable, etc., contributions to organizations described in section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) that total more than \$1,000 for the year from any one contributor. Complete columns (a) through (e) and the following line entry. For organizations completing Part III, enter the total of exclusively religious, charitable, etc., contributions of \$1,000 or less for the year. (Enter this info. once.) ▶ \$ _____
Use duplicate copies of Part III if additional space is needed.

(a) No. from Part I	(b) Purpose of gift	(c) Use of gift	(d) Description of how gift is held

(e) Transfer of gift	
Transferee's name, address, and ZIP + 4	Relationship of transferor to transferee

(a) No. from Part I	(b) Purpose of gift	(c) Use of gift	(d) Description of how gift is held

(e) Transfer of gift	
Transferee's name, address, and ZIP + 4	Relationship of transferor to transferee

(a) No. from Part I	(b) Purpose of gift	(c) Use of gift	(d) Description of how gift is held

(e) Transfer of gift	
Transferee's name, address, and ZIP + 4	Relationship of transferor to transferee

(a) No. from Part I	(b) Purpose of gift	(c) Use of gift	(d) Description of how gift is held

(e) Transfer of gift	
Transferee's name, address, and ZIP + 4	Relationship of transferor to transferee

SCHEDULE D
(Form 990)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Supplemental Financial Statements

▶ **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.**

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

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Open to Public Inspection

Name of the organization ACUMEN FUND, INC. **Employer identification number** 13-4166228

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

Part II Conservation Easements. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" 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 a historically important land area
 Protection of natural habitat Preservation of a certified historic structure
 Preservation of open space

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

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

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

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

5 Does the organization have a written policy regarding the periodic monitoring, inspection, handling of violations, and enforcement of the conservation easements it holds?

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)?

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

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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:

	Amount
c Beginning balance	1c
d Additions during the year	1d
e Distributions during the year	1e
f Ending balance	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 on 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:

	Yes	No
(i) unrelated organizations	3a(i)	
(ii) related organizations	3a(ii)	
b If "Yes" on line 3a(ii), are the related organizations listed as required on Schedule R?	3b	

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		321,880.	236,915.	84,965.
d Equipment		1,001,119.	598,670.	402,449.
e Other				
Total. Add lines 1a through 1e. (Column (d) must equal Form 990, Part X, column (B), line 10c.)				487,414.

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		
(3) Other		
(A)		
(B)		
(C)		
(D)		
(E)		
(F)		
(G)		
(H)		
Total. (Col. (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col. (B) line 12.) ▶		

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) PROGRAM RELATED EQUITY		
(2) INVESTMENTS - S.ASIA	21,787,640.	COST
(3) PROGRAM RELATED EQUITY		
(4) INVESTMENTS - SUB-SAHARAN		
(5) AFRICA	11,138,101.	COST
(6) PROGRAM RELATED EQUITY		
(7) INVESTMENTS - USA	5,034,719.	COST
(8) PROGRAM RELATED DEBT		
(9) INVESTMENTS - S.ASIA	1,570,827.	COST
Total. (Col. (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col. (B) line 13.) ▶	46,829,779.	

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)	
(2)	
(3)	
(4)	
(5)	
(6)	
(7)	
(8)	
(9)	
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col. (B) line 15.) ▶	

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	
(2)	
(3)	
(4)	
(5)	
(6)	
(7)	
(8)	
(9)	
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col. (B) line 25.) ▶	

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

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

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

1	Total revenue, gains, and other support per audited financial statements		1	25,254,024.
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	3,076,682.	
c	Recoveries of prior year grants	2c		
d	Other (Describe in Part XIII.)	2d	-1,432,950.	
e	Add lines 2a through 2d	2e		1,643,732.
3	Subtract line 2e from line 1	3		23,610,292.
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	18,228.	
c	Add lines 4a and 4b	4c		18,228.
5	Total revenue. Add lines 3 and 4c. (This must equal Form 990, Part I, line 12.)	5		23,628,520.

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	18,782,178.
2	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part IX, line 25:			
a	Donated services and use of facilities	2a	3,331,820.	
b	Prior year adjustments	2b		
c	Other losses	2c		
d	Other (Describe in Part XIII.)	2d	324,851.	
e	Add lines 2a through 2d	2e		3,656,671.
3	Subtract line 2e from line 1	3		15,125,507.
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	2,159,991.	
c	Add lines 4a and 4b	4c		2,159,991.
5	Total expenses. Add lines 3 and 4c. (This must equal Form 990, Part I, line 18.)	5		17,285,498.

Part XIII Supplemental Information.

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

PART X, LINE 2:

ACUMEN RECOGNIZES THE EFFECT OF INCOME TAX POSITIONS ONLY WHEN THEY ARE MORE THAN LIKELY THAN NOT OF BEING SUSTAINED. MANAGEMENT HAS DETERMINED THAT ACUMEN HAD NO UNCERTAIN TAX POSITIONS THAT WOULD REQUIRE FINANCIAL STATEMENT RECOGNITION. ACUMEN IS NO LONGER SUBJECT TO AUDITS BY THE UNITED STATES TAXING JURISDICTIONS FOR PERIODS PRIOR TO DECEMBER 31, 2012.

PART XI, LINE 2D - OTHER ADJUSTMENTS:

CHANGE IN VALUE OF CHARITABLE REMAINDER TRUST	-16,598.
RELATED PARTY REVENUE INCLUDED PER AUDIT-ACUMEN FUND INDIA	945,427.
RELATED PARTY REVENUE INCLUDED PER AUDIT-ACUMEN FUND INDIA TRUST	133,461.

Part XIII Supplemental Information (continued)

RELATED PARTY REVENUE INCLUDED PER AUDIT-ACUMEN FUND

PAKISTAN	1,432,547.
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RELATED PARTY REVENUE INCLUDED PER AUDIT-ACUMEN CAPITAL

MARKETS I LP	-1,049.
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RELATED PARTY REVENUE INCLUDED PER AUDIT-ACUMEN FUND CANADA	195,129.
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ELIMINATING/CONSOLIDATING ENTRIES PER AUDIT	-1,961,876.
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PROVISION FOR PORTFOLIO LOSSES RECLASSIFICATION	-2,159,991.
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TOTAL TO SCHEDULE D, PART XI, LINE 2D	-1,432,950.
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PART XI, LINE 4B - OTHER ADJUSTMENTS:

LOSS ON DISPOSAL OF FIXED ASSETS	18,228.
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PART XII, LINE 2D - OTHER ADJUSTMENTS:

RELATED PARTY EXPENSES INCLUDED PER AUDIT - ACUMEN FUND

INDIA	997,634.
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RELATED PARTY EXPENSES INCLUDED PER AUDIT - ACUMEN FUND

INDIA TRUST	234,016.
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RELATED PARTY EXPENSES INCLUDED PER AUDIT - ACUMEN FUND

PAKISTAN	820,381.
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RELATED PARTY EXPENSES INCLUDED PER AUDIT - ACUMEN CAPITAL

MARKETS I LP	91,800.
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RELATED PARTY EXPENSES INCLUDED PER AUDIT - ACUMEN FUND

CANADA	12.
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ELIMINATING/CONSOLIDATING ENTRIES PER AUDIT	-1,924,789.
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RELATED PARTY FOREIGN EXCHANGE LOSS INCLUDED IN AUDIT	105,797.
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TOTAL TO SCHEDULE D, PART XII, LINE 2D	324,851.
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PART XII, LINE 4B - OTHER ADJUSTMENTS:

Part XIII Supplemental Information (continued)

PROVISION FOR PORTFOLIO LOSSES RECLASSIFICATION 2,159,991.

Multiple horizontal lines for supplemental information.

**SCHEDULE F
(Form 990)**

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Statement of Activities Outside the United States

▶ Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 14b, 15, or 16.

▶ Attach to Form 990.

▶ Information about Schedule F (Form 990) and its instructions is at www.irs.gov/form990.

OMB No. 1545-0047

2015

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Name of the organization **ACUMEN FUND, INC.** Employer identification number **13-4166228**

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 region	(d) Activities conducted in region (by type) (e.g., 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 region	(f) Total expenditures for and investments in region
SOUTH ASIA	2	24	PROGRAM SERVICE	PORTFOLIO MANAGEMENT AND FELLOWS PROGRAM	913,915.
SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA	2	14	PROGRAM SERVICE	PORTFOLIO MANAGEMENT AND FELLOWS PROGRAM	1,822,273.
SOUTH AMERICA	2	4	PROGRAM SERVICE	PORTFOLIO MANAGEMENT	358,000.
SOUTH ASIA			GRANT MAKING		1,022,874.
SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA			GRANT MAKING		215,850.
SOUTH ASIA			PROGRAM RELATED INVESTMENTS		23,358,467.
SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA			PROGRAM RELATED INVESTMENTS		15,247,708.
SOUTH AMERICA			PROGRAM RELATED INVESTMENTS		275,694.
3 a Sub-total	6	42			43,214,781.
b Total from continuation sheets to Part I	1	7			1,004,490.
c Totals (add lines 3a and 3b)	7	49			44,219,271.

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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 non-cash assistance	(h) Description of non-cash assistance	(i) Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other)
		SOUTH ASIA	OPERATING SUPPORT TO PAKISTAN SUBSIDIARY ENTITY AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE GRANTS	1,022,874.	WIRE TRANSFER	0.		
		SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA	TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE GRANTS	215,850.	WIRE TRANSFER	0.		

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 **4**

3 Enter total number of other organizations or entities **6**

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; do not 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; do not file with Form 990)* Yes No

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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.

PART I, LINE 2:

PROGRAM-RELATED GRANTS: THE ORGANIZATION MAKES LARGE GRANTS TO ITS RELATED ENTITIES TO FUND THEIR OPERATIONS, THE ACTIVITIES OF WHICH ARE MANAGED BY THE ORGANIZATION. ACUMEN FUND, INC. MONITORS THE ACTIVITY OF ITS RELATED ENTITIES BY ANALYZING EXPENDITURES AND COMPARING ACTUAL PERFORMANCE TO BUDGETED AMOUNTS, AND BY MAINTAINING DIRECT OVERSIGHT OF THE ACTIVITIES CONDUCTED AND EXPENDITURES INCURRED. OUR AFFILIATES IN PAKISTAN AND INDIA HAVE INDEPENDENT AUDITS. IN ADDITION TO THE AUDIT, OUR CENTRAL OFFICE FINANCE DEPT IN NEW YORK HAS OVERSIGHT OF THE COUNTRY OFFICES' SPENDING.

INVESTMENTS IN THIRD PARTIES ARE PRIMARILY DEBT OR EQUITY INVESTMENTS. RELATIVELY LITTLE IS AN OUTRIGHT GRANT FOR USE BY THE THIRD PARTY. FOR ANY PROGRAM RELATED INVESTMENTS, THE ORGANIZATION REQUIRES REGULAR SOCIAL IMPACT, FINANCIAL AND OPERATIONAL REPORTING, TYPICALLY MAINTAINS A BOARD SEAT ON THE INVESTEE COMPANY AND CONDUCTS AT LEAST ANNUAL REVIEWS OF THE PROGRESS OF THE PROGRAM. FOR ANY GRANTS TO THIRD PARTIES, A GRANT AGREEMENT IS DRAFTED OUTLINING THE SPECIFIC PURPOSE OF THE GRANT AND TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR THE USE OF GRANT MONEY. GRANT FUNDS ARE DISBURSED ONLY AFTER THE GRANTEES SIGN THE GRANT AGREEMENT. DEPENDING UPON THE AMOUNT AND TERM OF GRANT, THE GRANTEES ARE REQUIRED TO MAINTAIN DETAILED RECORDS OF THE USE OF THE GRANT AND PROVIDE PERIODIC REPORTS TO ACUMEN FUND. THE PROGRAM STAFF WILL REVIEW THE GRANTEE REPORTS TO ENSURE COMPLIANCE. THE GRANTEES ARE REQUIRED TO RETAIN THE BOOKS AND RECORDS WITH RESPECT TO THE USE OF THE GRANT FUNDS FOR FOUR YEARS AFTER THE GRANT PERIOD OR SOME OTHER PERIOD AS REQUIRED BY THE GRANT AGREEMENT AND ACUMEN FUND RETAINS THE RIGHT TO REVIEW THEIR BOOKS AND RECORDS RELATING TO THE

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.

GRANT IF IT DEEMS NECESSARY.

ACUMEN FUND PROGRAM STAFF DILIGENTLY SCREEN THE PROSPECTIVE GRANTEE'S TRACK RECORD AND REPUTATION BEFORE AWARDING ANY GRANT. THROUGHOUT THE GRANT TERM, THE PROGRAM STAFF INTERACTS WITH THE GRANTEE ORGANIZATION TO UNDERSTAND THE PROGRESS THE ORGANIZATION IS MAKING BY USE OF THE GRANT FUNDS. THEY ALSO REVIEW ANY PERIODIC REPORTS SUBMITTED BY THE GRANTEE AS WELL AS THE ANNUAL REPORT OF THE ORGANIZATION (IF APPLICABLE) TO ENSURE PROPER UTILIZATION OF GRANT FUNDS BY THE GRANTEE. GRANT AGREEMENTS OFTEN REQUIRE THE RIGHT TO INSPECT AND AUDIT THE RECORDS OF THE GRANTEE REGARDING PROPER USE OF FUND. THE GRANT AGREEMENT SIGNED BY THE GRANTEE TYPICALLY STATES THAT ALL OR ANY PORTION OF GRANT FUNDS USED IN A MANNER OR PURPOSE OTHER THAN THOSE DESCRIBED IN THE GRANT AGREEMENT MUST BE RETURNED TO ACUMEN FUND.

PART I, LINE 3:

PROGRAM-RELATED INVESTMENTS: THE ORGANIZATION HAS A COMPLEX FINANCIAL STRUCTURE THAT IS NOT EASILY SHOWN IN THE FORM 990. TO BETTER UNDERSTAND THE INFORMATION BEING PROVIDED, THE READER SHOULD APPROACH THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS WITH TWO KEY PIECES OF INFORMATION IN MIND. FIRST, ACUMEN IS LIKE A TRADITIONAL NON-PROFIT IN THAT IT RECEIVES CONTRIBUTION REVENUE AND HAS ONGOING OPERATING EXPENSES FOR BOTH PROGRAM WORK AND ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS EACH YEAR. SECONDLY, AND UNLIKE ALMOST ALL OTHER CHARITIES, ACUMEN INVESTS A SUBSTANTIAL PORTION OF ITS ASSETS IN ENTREPRENEURIAL ORGANIZATIONS OPERATING IN DEVELOPING COUNTRIES. THIS WOULD INCLUDE SUPPORTING CONTRIBUTIONS TO RELATED ENTITIES AND PROGRAM-RELATED INVESTMENTS TO THIRD PARTIES AS PART OF ACUMEN FUND'S

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.

CHARITABLE WORK. IN SUM THESE ACTIVITIES ARE SHOWN IN PARTS I AND II OF SCHEDULE F. THEY ARE ALSO INCLUDED ON FORM 990 PART X LINE 13 WHICH SHOWS THE ORGANIZATION'S TOTAL CUMULATIVE OUTSTANDING BALANCE OF PROGRAM-RELATED INVESTMENTS. ACUMEN PUTS ITS RESOURCES INTO THESE INVESTEE ORGANIZATIONS AS PROGRAMMATIC INVESTMENTS AND NURTURES THEM UNTIL THEY THRIVE (OR FAIL), PROVIDING MULTIPLE SPIN-OFF BENEFITS TO CUSTOMERS SERVED - TYPICALLY THE POOREST POPULATIONS WHO LIVE ON LESS THAN A FEW DOLLARS PER DAY.

THE ACCOUNTING METHOD USED TO ACCOUNT FOR EXPENDITURES IS THE ACCRUAL METHOD.

**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.

▶ Information about Schedule J (Form 990) and its instructions is at www.irs.gov/form990.

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Name of the organization
ACUMEN FUND, INC.

Employer identification number
13-4166228

Part I Questions Regarding Compensation

- 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"/> Housing allowance or residence for personal use |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Travel for companions | <input type="checkbox"/> Payments for business use of personal residence |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Tax indemnification and gross-up payments | <input type="checkbox"/> Health or social club dues or initiation fees |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Discretionary spending account | <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
- 2** Did the organization require substantiation prior to reimbursing or allowing expenses incurred by all directors, trustees, and officers, including the CEO/Executive Director, regarding the items checked in line 1a?
- 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 type="checkbox"/> Written employment contract |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Independent compensation consultant | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Compensation survey or study |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form 990 of other organizations | <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?
- b** Participate in, or receive payment from, a supplemental nonqualified retirement plan?
- c** Participate in, or receive payment from, an equity-based compensation arrangement?
- If "Yes" to any of lines 4a-c, list the persons and provide the applicable amounts for each item in Part III.
- Only section 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?
- b** Any related organization?
- If "Yes" to 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?
- b** Any related organization?
- 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 non-fixed payments not described on lines 5 and 6? If "Yes," describe in Part III
- 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
- 9** If "Yes" to line 8, did the organization also follow the rebuttable presumption procedure described in Regulations section 53.4958-6(c)?

	Yes	No
1b		
2		
4a		X
4b		X
4c		X
5a		X
5b		X
6a		X
6b		X
7	X	
8		X
9		

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Schedule J (Form 990) 2015

Part II Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees. Use duplicate copies if additional space is needed.

For each individual whose compensation must be reported on Schedule J, report compensation from the organization on row (i) and from related organizations, described in the instructions, on row (ii). Do not list any individuals that are not listed on Form 990, Part VII.

Note: The sum of columns (B)(i)-(iii) for each listed individual must equal the total amount of Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, applicable column (D) and (E) amounts for that individual.

(A) Name and Title		(B) Breakdown of W-2 and/or 1099-MISC compensation			(C) Retirement and other deferred compensation	(D) Nontaxable benefits	(E) Total of columns (B)(i)-(D)	(F) Compensation in column (B) reported as deferred on prior Form 990
		(i) Base compensation	(ii) Bonus & incentive compensation	(iii) Other reportable compensation				
(1) JACQUELINE NOVOGRATZ CEO & DIRECTOR	(i)	285,264.	36,338.	0.	7,950.	15,785.	345,337.	0.
	(ii)	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.
(2) SACHINDRA RUDRA CHIEF INVESTMENT OFFICER	(i)	223,851.	27,859.	0.	7,551.	7,751.	267,012.	0.
	(ii)	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.
(3) CARLYLE JONES CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER	(i)	220,492.	27,859.	0.	7,451.	14,385.	270,187.	0.
	(ii)	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.
(4) ALEXANDER DICHTER CHIEF INNOVATION OFFICER	(i)	203,842.	26,125.	0.	6,899.	25,989.	262,855.	0.
	(ii)	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.
(5) AMRITA BHANDARI CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER	(i)	157,800.	25,080.	0.	5,486.	372.	188,738.	0.
	(ii)	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.
(6) LYNN ROLAND GENERAL COUNSEL	(i)	170,303.	21,197.	0.	5,745.	372.	197,617.	0.
	(ii)	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.
(7) SABRINA N DUPRE GLOBAL HEAD OF BRAND STRATEGY & COMM	(i)	173,085.	18,203.	0.	5,739.	15,657.	212,684.	0.
	(ii)	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.
(8) YASMINA ZAIDMAN DIRECTOR OF STRATEGIC PART	(i)	148,121.	23,541.	0.	5,150.	372.	177,184.	0.
	(ii)	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.
(9) SHUAIB SIDDIQUI DIRECTOR OF PORTFOLIO	(i)	151,562.	17,680.	0.	5,077.	10,344.	184,663.	0.
	(ii)	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.
(10) CATHERINE NANDA DIRECTOR OF GLOBAL EXPANSION	(i)	146,677.	21,600.	0.	5,048.	22,378.	195,703.	0.
	(ii)	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.
	(i)							
	(ii)							
	(i)							
	(ii)							
	(i)							
	(ii)							
	(i)							
	(ii)							
	(i)							
	(ii)							

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.

PART I, LINE 7:

ACUMEN OFFERS A DISCRETIONARY PERFORMANCE-BASED BONUS FOR ITS EMPLOYEES WITH GUIDELINES SET BY THE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE AND AGREED BY THE BOARD. BONUSES ARE REFLECTIVE OF ORGANIZATIONAL AND INDIVIDUAL PERFORMANCE WHICH PROVIDES COLLECTIVE ACCOUNTABILITY (INCREASING BY LEVEL), FOSTERS INCREASED COLLABORATION AND PROBLEM-SOLVING. THE ORGANIZATIONAL COMPONENT OF THE BONUS IS RECOMMENDED BY THE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE TO THE COMPENSATION COMMITTEE, BASED ON ACHIEVEMENT OF ANNUAL GOALS, (WHICH ARE DETERMINED AT THE END OF THE PRIOR YEAR AND APPROVED BY THE BOARD), THEN REVIEWED BY THE COMPENSATION COMMITTEE AND ULTIMATELY APPROVED BY THE BOARD.

EACH INDIVIDUAL'S SUPERVISOR DETERMINES THE INDIVIDUAL RATING BASED ON PERFORMANCE AGAINST INDIVIDUAL GOALS, AND THE DIRECTOR OF TALENT AND RESPECTIVE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEMBER APPROVES THE RATINGS.

BONUSES WERE TREATED AS TAXABLE COMPENSATION TO THE RECIPIENTS.

**SCHEDULE M
(Form 990)**

Noncash Contributions

OMB No. 1545-0047

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Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

- ▶ Complete if the organizations answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, lines 29 or 30.
- ▶ Attach to Form 990.
- ▶ Information about Schedule M (Form 990) and its instructions is at www.irs.gov/form990.

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Part I Types of Property

	(a) Check if applicable	(b) Number of contributions or items contributed	(c) Noncash contribution amounts reported on Form 990, Part VIII, line 1g	(d) Method of determining noncash contribution amounts
1 Art - Works of art				
2 Art - Historical treasures				
3 Art - Fractional interests				
4 Books and publications				
5 Clothing and household goods				
6 Cars and other vehicles				
7 Boats and planes				
8 Intellectual property				
9 Securities - Publicly traded	X	9	480,175.FMV	
10 Securities - Closely held stock				
11 Securities - Partnership, LLC, or trust interests				
12 Securities - Miscellaneous				
13 Qualified conservation contribution - Historic structures				
14 Qualified conservation contribution - Other				
15 Real estate - Residential				
16 Real estate - Commercial				
17 Real estate - Other				
18 Collectibles				
19 Food inventory				
20 Drugs and medical supplies				
21 Taxidermy				
22 Historical artifacts				
23 Scientific specimens				
24 Archeological artifacts				
25 Other ()				
26 Other ()				
27 Other ()				
28 Other ()				

29 Number of Forms 8283 received by the organization during the tax year for contributions for which the organization completed Form 8283, Part IV, Donee Acknowledgement **29** **0**

	Yes	No
30a During the year, did the organization receive by contribution any property reported in Part I, lines 1 through 28, that it must hold for at least three years from the date of the initial contribution, and which is not required to be used for exempt purposes for the entire holding period?		X
b If "Yes," describe the arrangement in Part II.		
31 Does the organization have a gift acceptance policy that requires the review of any non-standard contributions?	X	
32a Does the organization hire or use third parties or related organizations to solicit, process, or sell noncash contributions?		X
b If "Yes," describe in Part II.		
33 If the organization did not report an amount in column (c) for a type of property for which column (a) is checked, describe in Part II.		

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Part II **Supplemental Information.** Provide the information required by Part I, lines 30b, 32b, and 33, and whether the organization is reporting in Part I, column (b), the number of contributions, the number of items received, or a combination of both. Also complete this part for any additional information.

SCHEDULE M, PART I, COLUMN (B):

THE ORGANIZATION IS REPORTING THE NUMBER OF CONTRIBUTORS IN PART 1, COLUMN (B) OF SCHEDULE M.

SCHEDULE O
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Department of the Treasury
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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.

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

OUR VISION IS THAT ONE DAY EVERY HUMAN BEING WILL HAVE ACCESS TO THE
CRITICAL GOODS AND SERVICES THEY NEED - INCLUDING AFFORDABLE HEALTH,
WATER, HOUSING, ENERGY, EDUCATION, AND AGRICULTURAL INPUTS AND SERVICES
- SO THEY CAN MAKE DECISIONS AND CHOICES FOR THEMSELVES AND UNLEASH
THEIR FULL HUMAN POTENTIAL. THIS IS WHERE DIGNITY STARTS - NOT JUST FOR
THE POOR BUT FOR EVERYONE ON EARTH.

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

AFRICA AND LATIN AMERICA.

SINCE 2001, ACUMEN FUND HAS INVESTED \$97 MILLION IN 90 ENTERPRISES THAT
PROVIDE EVERYTHING FROM AFFORDABLE MATERNAL HEALTHCARE SERVICES, TO
ASSET-BACKED FINANCING FOR SMALLHOLDER FARMERS IN AFRICA, INDIA,
PAKISTAN AND LATIN AMERICA. WE ARE BUILDING A GLOBAL COMMUNITY OF
EMERGING LEADERS WHO BELIEVE IN CREATING A MORE INCLUSIVE WORLD THROUGH
THE TOOLS OF BUSINESS AND PHILANTHROPY. WE ARE ALSO WORKING TO SHARE
OUR LESSONS AND SPREAD INNOVATIVE IDEAS FOR POVERTY ALLEVIATION.

FORM 990, PART III, LINE 4A, PROGRAM SERVICE ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

ACUMEN IN 2015. IN THE FIRST QUARTER OF THIS YEAR, OUR TEAM CONDUCTED
ANNUAL REVIEWS FOR ALL PORTFOLIO COMPANIES TO MEASURE ACTUAL
PERFORMANCE AGAINST SOCIAL AND FINANCIAL IMPACT TARGETS AND DEVELOP
DETAILED POST-INVESTMENT ENGAGEMENT AND MANAGEMENT PLANS OUTLINING THE
SUPPORT AND INVOLVEMENT REQUIRED BY ACUMEN TO HELP THE COMPANIES GROW.

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ACUMEN HAS ALSO EXPANDED ITS WORK WITH CORPORATIONS TO LEVERAGE THEIR SKILLS AND EXPERIENCE TO SUPPORT OUR INVESTEE COMPANIES WITH TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE. IN ADDITION, ACUMEN HOSTED ITS THIRD COLLABORATION SUMMIT IN NAIROBI IN PARTNERSHIP WITH DOW, COCA-COLA, SAFARICOM AND UNILEVER TO PROVIDE 13 GRANTS TO PROVIDE FINANCIAL AND TECHNICAL SUPPORT TO A NUMBER OF OUR INVESTEE COMPANIES. WE ALSO HOSTED A CEO SUMMIT IN INDIA IN PARTNERSHIP WITH GE TO FOSTER THE DEVELOPMENT OF OUR ENTREPRENEURS WORKING IN THE COUNTRY.

WE ALSO PUBLISHED TWO PUBLICATIONS. THE FIRST, SOCIAL ENTERPRISES AND GLOBAL CORPORATIONS COLLABORATING FOR GROWTH WITH IMPACT, WHICH WAS DONE IN PARTNERSHIP WITH BUSINESS FIGHTS POVERTY, SPOTLIGHTS THE DIFFERENT WAYS COMPANIES AND SOCIAL ENTERPRISES ARE JOINING FORCES AND THE NEW OPPORTUNITIES ARISING TO HELP CREATE LASTING CHANGE TOGETHER. THE SECOND PUBLICATION-WOMEN AND SOCIAL ENTERPRISES: HOW GENDER INTEGRATION CAN BOOST ENTREPRENEURIAL SOLUTIONS TO POVERTY-WAS DONE IN PARTNERSHIP WITH THE INTERNATIONAL CENTER FOR RESEARCH ON WOMEN AND THE CARTIER CHARITABLE FOUNDATION. IT FOCUSES ON HOW SOCIAL ENTERPRISES ARE ENGAGING AND IMPACTING WOMEN AND SHOWS HOW GENDER CAN INFLUENCE BUSINESS.

FORM 990, PART III, LINE 4B, PROGRAM SERVICE ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

THE INITIATIVE AIMS TO CLOSE THE GAP BETWEEN SOCIAL ENTERPRISES AND THEIR CUSTOMERS BY LEVERAGING TODAY'S TECHNOLOGY REVOLUTION. TODAY, THE 2.5 BILLION PEOPLE LIVING IN POVERTY NOW HAVE ACCESS TO A CELLPHONE, ALLOWING US TO COMMUNICATE DIRECTLY WITH THE POOR AND QUICKLY AND AFFORDABLY GATHER MEANINGFUL DATA ON LOW-INCOME COMMUNITIES TO GENERATE QUALITY INSIGHTS THAT WILL DRIVE ENTREPRENEURS' DECISIONS AND ENSURE

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WE'RE CREATING THE KIND OF IMPACT WE SET OUT TO.

USING OUR LEAN DATA METHOD, WE WERE ABLE TO SURVEY AND EXTRACT MEANINGFUL INSIGHTS FROM 5,000 CUSTOMERS OF 18 OF OUR INVESTMENTS ACROSS SEVEN COUNTRIES, ALL IN A MATTER OF SIX WEEKS. AS WE ROLLED OUT LEAN DATA MEASUREMENT TECHNIQUES, WE SHARED THE WORK IN A FEATURE IN THE STANFORD SOCIAL INNOVATION REVIEW IN THE FALL OF 2015. THE ARTICLE WAS MEANT TO DRIVE THE CONVERSATION ON IMPACT AND HOLD MORE INVESTORS ACCOUNTABLE SO WE, AS A COMMUNITY, CAN DO A BETTER JOB OF UNDERSTANDING OUR SOCIAL PERFORMANCE AND CREATING LONG-TERM IMPACT IN THE LIVES OF THE POOR.

THROUGHOUT THE YEAR, WE CONTINUED TO COMMUNICATE ACUMEN'S WORK AND CORE IDEAS THROUGH THE LAUNCH OF ACUMEN IDEAS, OUR NEW STORYTELLING PLATFORM ON MEDIUM.COM, AS WELL AS THROUGH PRESENTATIONS AT LEADING CONFERENCES, WIDELY DISSEMINATED ARTICLES AND WORKSHOPS HELD GLOBALLY THAT COVERED ISSUES RANGING FROM IMPACT TO LEADERSHIP AND TO THE CAPITAL NEEDED TO BUILD SOCIAL ENTERPRISES THAT SERVE THE POOR. ACUMEN'S WORK AND INVESTMENTS WERE FEATURED IN TOP-TIER INTERNATIONAL MEDIA OUTLETS INCLUDING THE FINANCIAL TIMES, FORBES, THE ECONOMIST, THE GUARDIAN AND VARIOUS PUBLICATIONS IN PAKISTAN, AFRICA, INDIA AND LATIN AMERICA. WE WERE ALSO NAMED ONE OF FAST COMPANY'S 10 MOST INNOVATIVE COMPANIES IN NOT-FOR-PROFIT.

FORM 990, PART III, LINE 4C, PROGRAM SERVICE ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

WE ALSO SAW THE RAPID EXPANSION OF +ACUMEN, OUR ONLINE LEARNING PLATFORM FOR PEOPLE LOOKING TO CREATE SOCIAL CHANGE, WHICH HAS BECOME THE LARGEST MASSIVE OPEN ONLINE COURSE (MOOC) PROVIDER IN THE SOCIAL

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SECTOR. AS OF Q4 2015, THE +ACUMEN CHAPTER NETWORK HAS EXPANDED TO 26 CHAPTERS AND +ACUMEN'S ONLINE COURSES HAS GROWN TO MORE THAN 275,000 SIGN-UPS WITH COURSE-TAKERS COMING FROM 176 COUNTRIES. IN THE PAST YEAR, +ACUMEN LAUNCHED SEVERAL NEW FREE ONLINE COURSES IN PARTNERSHIP WITH CORPORATIONS AND ORGANIZATIONS LIKE AMERICAN EXPRESS, ACCION INTERNATIONAL, IDEO.ORG, GRAMEEN FOUNDATION AND FOSSIL FOUNDATION, ALL COMMITTED TO HELPING ADVANCE THE WORK AND EDUCATION OF SOCIAL ENTREPRENEURS AND INDIVIDUALS INTERESTED IN CREATING CHANGE DOMESTICALLY AND INTERNATIONALLY.

FORM 990, PART V, LINE 4B, LIST OF FOREIGN COUNTRIES:

GHANA, INDIA, KENYA, PAKISTAN,
COLOMBIA, CANADA

FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION A, LINE 2:

JACQUELINE NOVOGRATZ AND MICHAEL E. NOVOGRATZ HAVE A FAMILY RELATIONSHIP.

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

BEGINNING IN 2004, THE ORGANIZATION BEGAN USING ADP TOTALSOURCE, A PROFESSIONAL EMPLOYER ORGANIZATION ("PEO"). AS A PROFESSIONAL EMPLOYER ORGANIZATION, TOTALSOURCE PROVIDES PROFESSIONAL EMPLOYER SERVICES TO ACUMEN FUND, INC. (ACUMEN). IN THE PEO RELATIONSHIP TOTALSOURCE AND ACUMEN SHARE CERTAIN RESPONSIBILITIES AND ALLOCATE OTHER EMPLOYER RESPONSIBILITIES BETWEEN EACH OTHER.

ACUMEN REMAINS AN EMPLOYER OF THE WORKSITE EMPLOYEES AND TOTALSOURCE IS A CO-EMPLOYER OF ACUMEN'S EMPLOYEES.

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ACUMEN HAS:

DIRECTION AND CONTROL OVER EMPLOYEES AS IS NECESSARY TO CONDUCT ITS BUSINESS, DISCHARGE AND FIDUCIARY RESPONSIBILITY IT MAY HAVE, OR COMPLY WITH ANY APPLICABLE LICENSURE, REGULATORY OR STATUTORY REQUIREMENT OF ACUMEN.

CONTROL OVER THE DAY TO DAY JOB DUTIES OF EMPLOYEES AND OVER THE JOB SITES AT WHICH, OR FROM WHICH EMPLOYEES PERFORM SERVICES

TOTALSOURCE RESERVES A RIGHT OF DIRECTION AND CONTROL OVER EMPLOYEES AS IS NECESSARY TO FULFILL ITS OBLIGATIONS AND PROVIDE ITS SERVICES UNDER AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN ACUMEN AND TOTALSOURCE.

TOTALSOURCE AND ACUMEN HAVE A RIGHT TO HIRE, DISCIPLINE, AND TERMINATE EMPLOYEES AS TO EACH ONE'S EMPLOYMENT RELATIONSHIP WITH EMPLOYEES.

THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF SERVICE FEE PAID TO ADP TOTALSOURCE FOR THE TAX YEAR ENDING 12/31/15 IS \$154,681.

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

THE ORGANIZATION'S FINANCE STAFF MEMBERS PREPARE THE FORM 990 IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE ORGANIZATION'S EXTERNAL INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS. SEVERAL SENIOR MANAGEMENT AND INTERNAL LEGAL STAFF MEMBERS REVIEW THE INFORMATION AND A DRAFT FORM 990 IS CIRCULATED ELECTRONICALLY BY E-MAIL TO THE FULL BOARD OF DIRECTORS. AFTER SOLICITING THE BOARD'S FEEDBACK AND COMMENTS THE FORM 990 IS E-FILED WITH THE IRS.

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

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THE ORGANIZATION HAS A CONFLICT OF INTEREST POLICY WHICH IS ANNUALLY MONITORED REQUIRING ALL OF THE ORGANIZATION'S OR ITS AFFILIATE'S BOARD MEMBERS, MEMBERS OF THE INVESTMENT COMMITTEE, OFFICERS, KEY EMPLOYEES, INDIVIDUALS IN THOSE ROLES IN THE PRIOR 5 YEARS AND EACH OF THEIR RESPECTIVE RELATIVES TO DISCLOSE ANY POSSIBLE CONFLICT OF INTEREST TO THE GENERAL COUNSEL, FOR REVIEW BY THE AUDIT & FINANCE COMMITTEE OF THE BOARD. THE ORGANIZATION REQUIRES THAT ALL SUCH INDIVIDUALS PROMPTLY AND FULLY DISCLOSE ALL MATERIAL FACTS OF ANY ACTUAL OR POTENTIAL CONFLICT OF INTEREST THAT MAY EXIST AT THE TIME OF HIRE OR APPOINTMENT, AS APPLICABLE, AND AS THEY MAY ARISE WHILE THE INDIVIDUAL IS SERVING OR EMPLOYED IN SUCH CAPACITY BY THE ORGANIZATION. SUCH DISCLOSURES INVOLVING A TRANSACTION OR ARRANGEMENT ARE REVIEWED BY THE GENERAL COUNSEL, WITH OVERSIGHT BY THE CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER, AND WHERE APPROPRIATE REFERRED TO THE AUDIT & FINANCE COMMITTEE TO DETERMINE APPROPRIATE ACTION TO BE TAKEN TO ADDRESS THE CONFLICT OF INTEREST WITH RESPECT TO THE TRANSACTION OR ARRANGEMENT. THE INDIVIDUAL WITH THE CONFLICT OF INTEREST IS REQUIRED TO DISCLOSE THE CONFLICT AND IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES RECUSE HIM/HERSELF FROM THE DISCUSSION AND NOT BE PRESENT DURING ANY DELIBERATION OR VOTE ON MATTERS WHERE HE/SHE HAS AN ACTUAL CONFLICT.

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

THE ORGANIZATION ANNUALLY REVIEWS COMPARABLE COMPENSATION DATA FOR ITS NON-PROFIT PEER GROUP AND SIMILAR ORGANIZATIONS IN THE FOR-PROFIT PRIVATE SECTOR. IT SEEKS TO BENCHMARK AGAINST THESE COMPARATIVE FIGURES WHEN SETTING COMPENSATION FOR ITS CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER. THE ORGANIZATION WILL ALSO CONSIDER JOB PERFORMANCE AND ALTERNATIVE EMPLOYMENT OFFERS WHEN EVALUATING CEO COMPENSATION. THE COMPENSATION COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS AND THEN THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS DISCUSSES AND APPROVES, IN EXECUTIVE SESSION, THE

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COMPENSATION INFORMATION AND DETERMINES THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S SALARY. THE COMPENSATION COMMITTEE IS COMPRISED SOLELY OF BOARD MEMBERS WHO DO NOT HAVE A CONFLICT OF INTEREST IN DETERMINING THE SALARY OF THE CEO. ANY BOARD MEMBERS WHO ARE CONFLICTED IN DETERMINING THE CEO'S COMPENSATION ARE RECUSED FROM THE PORTION OF THE MEETING WHERE COMPENSATION IS DISCUSSED AND DETERMINED. MINUTES DOCUMENTING BOTH THE ACTIVITIES AND ACTIONS OF THE COMPENSATION COMMITTEE AND THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS, INCLUDING THE MATERIALS THEY USED IN EVALUATING COMPENSATION, ARE TAKEN AND RETAINED CONTEMPORANEOUSLY. THIS PROCESS WAS LAST UNDERTAKEN FOR 2015 BONUS.

THE CEO, IN CONSULTATION WITH THE PRESIDENT AND GLOBAL TALENT MANAGER, DETERMINES SALARIES OF THE OTHER MEMBERS OF SENIOR MANAGEMENT OF THE ORGANIZATION USING THE SAME PROCESSES AS DESCRIBED ABOVE.

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

THE ORGANIZATION POSTS ITS FORM 990 AND AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS ON ITS PUBLICLY ACCESSIBLE WEBSITE WWW.ACUMEN.ORG. CURRENT YEAR INFORMATION IS POSTED AS IT BECOMES AVAILABLE AND TWO PRIOR YEAR'S RESULTS ARE MAINTAINED ONLINE. THE ORGANIZATION ALSO PROVIDES ITS INFORMATION TO CHARITY NAVIGATOR AND GUIDESTAR.ORG. PUBLIC INFORMATION ABOUT ACUMEN FUND IS AVAILABLE ON CHARITY BUREAU SECTION OF THE NEW YORK STATE'S ATTORNEY GENERAL'S WEBSITE, AS WELL AS UPON REQUEST. THE FORM 1023 IS MADE AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST.

THE GOVERNING DOCUMENTS ARE NOT MADE AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC UNLESS SPECIFICALLY REQUESTED AND A SUMMARY OF THE CONFLICT OF INTEREST POLICY IS AVAILABLE ON THE FORM 990.

FORM 990, PART IX, LINE 11G, OTHER FEES:

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PROGRAM CONSULTANTS:

PROGRAM SERVICE EXPENSES	973,585.
MANAGEMENT AND GENERAL EXPENSES	36,523.
FUNDRAISING EXPENSES	16,921.
TOTAL EXPENSES	1,027,029.

WEB MEDIA & DESIGN CONSULTANTS:

PROGRAM SERVICE EXPENSES	299,254.
MANAGEMENT AND GENERAL EXPENSES	0.
FUNDRAISING EXPENSES	843.
TOTAL EXPENSES	300,097.

INDIA PROGRAM SERVICE FEE:

PROGRAM SERVICE EXPENSES	913,915.
MANAGEMENT AND GENERAL EXPENSES	0.
FUNDRAISING EXPENSES	0.
TOTAL EXPENSES	913,915.

CONFERENCE AND MEMBERSHIP FEES:

PROGRAM SERVICE EXPENSES	136,407.
MANAGEMENT AND GENERAL EXPENSES	957.
FUNDRAISING EXPENSES	13,914.
TOTAL EXPENSES	151,278.

RECRUITING FEES:

PROGRAM SERVICE EXPENSES	55,541.
MANAGEMENT AND GENERAL EXPENSES	39,913.
FUNDRAISING EXPENSES	12,836.

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TOTAL EXPENSES 108,290.

TRAINING FEES:

PROGRAM SERVICE EXPENSES 128,924.

MANAGEMENT AND GENERAL EXPENSES 39,302.

FUNDRAISING EXPENSES 5,600.

TOTAL EXPENSES 173,826.

TOTAL OTHER FEES ON FORM 990, PART IX, LINE 11G, COL A 2,674,435.

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

CHANGE IN VALUE OF CHARITABLE REMAINDER TRUST -16,598.

LOSS ON DISPOSAL OF FIXED ASSETS -18,228.

TOTAL TO FORM 990, PART XI, LINE 9 -34,826.

FORM 990, PART XII, LINE 2C:

ACUMEN FUND, INC. HAS A COMMITTEE THAT ASSUMES RESPONSIBILITY FOR OVERSIGHT OF THE AUDIT OF ITS FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND SELECTION OF AN INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANT. THIS PROCESS DID NOT CHANGE FROM 2014. IN 2014, THE AUDIT AND FINANCE COMMITTEE AMENDED ITS CHARTER TO PROVIDE FOR A MORE RESTRICTED DEFINITION OF INDEPENDENT DIRECTOR AND THAT ONLY INDEPENDENT DIRECTORS CAN PARTICIPATE IN AND VOTE ON COMMITTEE MATTERS (CAN THE COO AND CFO MAY NOT BE PRESENT DURING CERTAIN DELIBERATIONS), CONSISTENT WITH REQUIREMENT OF THE NEW YORK NONPROFIT REVITALIZATION ACTION OF 2013.

**SCHEDULE R
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Department of the Treasury
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Related Organizations and Unrelated Partnerships

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

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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
ACUMEN (PAKISTAN) 11-C, 4TH FL., 1ST COMMERCIAL LANE SHAHBAZ KARACHI, PAKISTAN	INVESTING IN SOCIAL ENTERPRISES	PAKISTAN	501(C)(3)	LINE 7	ACUMEN FUND, INC.	X	
ACUMEN FUND, CANADA 700 WEST GEORGIA STREET, 25TH FLOOR VANCOUVER, CANADA V7Y 1B3	ALLEVIATE POVERTY	CANADA	501(C)(3)	LINE 7	ACUMEN FUND, INC.	X	
ACUMEN TRUST, HYDERABAD 6-3-248, /F, ROAD NO.1, LE BENAKA, BANJARA HI HYDERABAD, INDIA	INVESTING IN SOCIAL ENTERPRISES	INDIA	501(C)(3)	LINE 7	ACUMEN FUND, INC.	X	
AF TRUST 201, DHEERAJI PLAZA, HILL ROAD, BANDRA WEST MUMBAI, INDIA 400050	INVESTING IN SOCIAL ENTERPRISES	INDIA	501(C)(3)	LINE 7	ACUMEN FUND, INC.	X	

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

(a) Name, address, and EIN of related organization	(b) Primary activity	(c) Legal domicile (state or foreign country)	(d) Direct controlling entity	(e) Predominant income (related, unrelated, excluded from tax under sections 512-514)	(f) Share of total income	(g) Share of end-of-year assets	(h) Disproportionate allocations?		(i) Code V-UBI amount in box 20 of Schedule K-1 (Form 1065)	(j) General or managing partner?		(k) Percentage ownership
							Yes	No		Yes	No	
ACUMEN CAPITAL MARKETS I, LP - 26-3831409, 40 WORTH STREET, STE 303, NEW YORK, NY 10013	INVESTING IN SOCIAL ENTERPRISES	DE	ACUMEN FUND, INC.	RELATED	-369.	5,832,438.		X	N/A	X		14.82%
ACUMEN CAPITAL MARKETS INVESTMENTS, LLC - 36-4796906, 40 WORTH STREET, STE 303, NEW YORK, NY 10013	INVESTING IN SOCIAL ENTERPRISES	DE	ACUMEN CAPITAL PARTNERS, LLC	RELATED	0.	0.		X	N/A	X		100.00%

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
ACUMEN FUND ADVISORY SERVICES INDIA PRIVATE LIMITED, 203 DHEERAJ PLAZA HILL ROAD, BANDRA (WEST), MUMBAI, INDIA 400050	INVESTING IN SOCIAL ENTERPRISES	INDIA	ACUMEN FUND, INC.	C CORP	944,482.	1,310,487.	99.90%	X	
ACUMEN CAPITAL PARTNERS, LLC - 32-0450985 40 WORTH STREET, STE 303 NEW YORK, NY 10013	INVESTING IN SOCIAL ENTERPRISES	DE	ACUMEN FUND, INC.	C CORP	0.	0.	100.00%	X	

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

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

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

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

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

(a) Name of related organization	(b) Transaction type (a-s)	(c) Amount involved	(d) Method of determining amount involved
(1) ACUMEN FUND ADVISORY SERVICES INDIA PRIVATE LIMITED	M	913,915.FMV	
(2) ACUMEN (PAKISTAN)	B	1,010,874.FMV	
(3) ACUMEN CAPITAL MARKETS I LP	L	266,207.FMV	
(4)			
(5)			
(6)			

Part VII Supplemental Information

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

Multiple horizontal lines for providing supplemental information.