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Form 990-EZ

Short Form Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

OMB No 1545-1150

2008

Under section 501(c), 527, or 4947(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code (except black lung benefit trust or private foundation)

Sponsoring organizations of donor advised funds and controlling organizations as defined in section 512(b)(13) must file Form 990. All other organizations with gross receipts less than \$1,000,000 and total assets less than \$2,500,000 at the end of the year may use this form.

The organization may have to use a copy of this return to satisfy state reporting requirements

Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service

Open to Public Inspection

A For the 2008 calendar year, or tax year beginning 2008, and ending 20

- B Check if applicable: Address change, Name change, Initial return, Termination, Amended return, Application pending

C Name of organization: PROJECT UPLIFT, INC. Number and street (or P O box, if mail is not delivered to street address): 475 BROOK HOLLOW DRIVE. City or town, state or country, and ZIP + 4: MCDONOUGH, GA 30252

D Employer identification number: 58-1864177. E Telephone number: (770) 335-7399. F Group Exemption Number: . . .

Section 501(c)(3) organizations and 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts must attach a completed Schedule A (Form 990 or 990-EZ).

G Accounting method: Cash [ ] Accrual [X]. Other (specify):

I Website:

J Organization type (check only one) - [X] 501(c) ( 3 ) (insert no ) [ ] 4947(a)(1) or [ ] 527

H Check [X] if the organization is not required to attach Schedule B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF)

K Check [X] if the organization is not a section 509(a)(3) supporting organization and its gross receipts are normally not more than \$25,000. A return is not required, but if the organization chooses to file a return, be sure to file a complete return.

L Add lines 5b, 6b, and 7b, to line 9 to determine gross receipts, if \$1,000,000 or more, file Form 990 instead of Form 990-EZ \$ 7,025

Part I Revenue, Expenses, and Changes in Net Assets or Fund Balances (See the instructions for Part I)

Table with 21 rows for revenue and expenses. Includes 'REVENUE' and 'ASSETS' columns. Total revenue: 7,025. Total expenses: 12,427. Net assets at end of year: 34,259.

Part II Balance Sheets (If total assets on line 25, column (B) are \$2,500,000 or more, file Form 990 instead of Form 990-EZ)

Table with 7 rows for balance sheet items. Columns for (A) Beginning of year and (B) End of year. Total assets: 39,661 at beginning, 34,259 at end.

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Part V Other Information (Note the statement requirements in the instructions for Part VI)

		Yes	No
33	Did the organization engage in any activity not previously reported to the IRS? If "Yes," attach a detailed description of each activity		X
34	Were any changes made to the organizing or governing documents but not reported to the IRS? If "Yes," attach a conformed copy of the changes		X
35	If the organization had income from business activities, such as those reported on lines 2, 6a, and 7a (among others), but not reported on Form 990-T, attach a statement explaining your reason for not reporting the income on Form 990-T		
a	Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more or section 6033(e) notice, reporting, and proxy tax requirements?		X
b	If "Yes," has it filed a tax return on Form 990-T for this year?		
36	Was there a liquidation, dissolution, termination, or substantial contraction during the year? If "Yes," complete applicable parts of Schedule N		X
37a	Enter amount of political expenditures, direct or indirect, as described in the instructions		
b	Did the organization file Form 1120-POL for this year?		
38a	Did the organization borrow from, or make any loans to, any officer, director, trustee, or key employee or were any such loans made in a prior year and still unpaid at the start of the period covered by this return?		X
b	If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part II and enter the total amount involved		
39	501(c)(7) organizations Enter		
a	Initiation fees and capital contributions included on line 9		
b	Gross receipts, included on line 9, for public use of club facilities		
40a	Section 501(c)(3) organizations Enter amount of tax imposed on the organization during the year under section 4911, section 4912, section 4955		
b	Section 501(c)(3) and (4) organizations Did the organization engage in any section 4958 excess benefit transaction during the year or did it become aware of an excess benefit transaction from a prior year? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I		X
c	Enter amount of tax imposed on organization managers or disqualified persons during the year under sections 4912, 4955, and 4958		
d	Enter amount of tax on line 40c reimbursed by the organization		
e	All organizations At any time during the tax year, was the organization a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction? If "Yes," complete Form 8886-T		X
41	List the states with which a copy of this return is filed		
42a	The books are in care of DOUGLAS SHAW Telephone no 770-335-7399 Located at 475 BROOK HOLLOW DR MCDONOUGH, GA ZIP + 4 30252		
b	At any time during the calendar year, did the organization have an interest in or a signature or other authority over a financial account in a foreign country (such as a bank account, securities account, or other financial account)? If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country See the instructions for exceptions and filing requirements for Form TD F 90-22.1, Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts.		X
c	At any time during the calendar year, did the organization maintain an office outside of the U S? If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country		X
43	Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts filing Form 990-EZ in lieu of Form 1041-Check here and enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the tax year		
44	Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds? If "Yes," Form 990 must be completed instead of Form 990-EZ		X
45	Is any related organization a controlled entity of the organization within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? If "Yes," Form 990 must be completed instead of Form 990-EZ		X

Part VI Section 501(c)(3) organizations only. All section 501(c)(3) organizations must answer questions 46-49 and complete the tables for lines 50 and 51

Table with 3 columns: Question (46-49), Yes, No. Contains questions about political activities, lobbying, and related organizations.

50 Complete this table for the five highest compensated employees (other than officers, directors, trustees and key employees) who each received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization

Table with 5 columns: (a) Name and address, (b) Title and average hours, (c) Compensation, (d) Contributions to benefit plans, (e) Expense account. Row 1 contains 'NONE'.

51 Complete this table for the five highest compensated independent contractors who each received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization

Table with 3 columns: (a) Name and address, (b) Type of service, (c) Compensation. Row 1 contains 'NONE'.

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

Sign Here: Signature of officer (Douglas Shaw), Date (12-06-09), Type or print name and title (DOUGLAS SHAW, TREASURER)

Paid Preparer's Use Only: Preparer's signature (S. Hawkins), Date (11-24-2009), Check if self-employed (X), Preparer's Identifying No (770-982-9431), Firm's name and address (ELLSWORTH HAWKINS TAX ACCOUNT, 4282 HWY 78 STE G, LILBURN, GA 30047)

May the IRS discuss this return with the preparer shown above? See instructions. [ ] Yes [X] No



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)

Section A. Public Support

Table with 7 columns: (a) 2004, (b) 2005, (c) 2006, (d) 2007, (e) 2008, (f) Total. Rows include: 1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received; 2 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit; 3 The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit; 4 Total. Add lines 1-3; 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); 6 Public support. Subtract line 5 from line 4.

Section B. Total Support

Table with 7 columns: (a) 2004, (b) 2005, (c) 2006, (d) 2007, (e) 2008, (f) Total. Rows include: 7 Amounts from line 4; 8 Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources; 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 IV); 11 Total support. Add lines 7 through 10.

12 Gross receipts from related activities, etc (see instructions) 12
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

Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage

Table with 3 columns: Line number, Description, and Percentage. Rows include: 14 Public support percentage for 2008 (line 6, column (f) divided by line 11, column (f)) 14 %; 15 Public support percentage from 2007 Schedule A, Part IV-A, line 26f 15 %; 16a 33 1/3% support test - 2008. 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; 16b 33 1/3% support test - 2007. 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; 17a 10%-facts-and-circumstances test - 2008. 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 IV how the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization; 17b 10%-facts-and-circumstances test - 2007. 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 IV how the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization; 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

**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)

**Section A. Public Support**

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ▶	(a) 2004	(b) 2005	(c) 2006	(d) 2007	(e) 2008	(f) Total
1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received (Do not include any "unusual grants") . . . . .	35,829	32,188	15,002	11,741	6,965	101,725
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 <b>Total.</b> Add lines 1-5 . . . . .	35,829	32,188	15,002	11,741	6,965	101,725
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 1% of the total of lines 9, 10c, 11, and 12 for the year or \$5,000 . . . . .						
c Add lines 7a and 7b . . . . .						
8 <b>Public support</b> (Subtract line 7c from line 6) . . . . .						101,725

**Section B. Total Support**

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ▶	(a) 2004	(b) 2005	(c) 2006	(d) 2007	(e) 2008	(f) Total
9 Amounts from line 6 . . . . .	35,829	32,188	15,002	11,741	6,965	101,725
10a Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources . . . . .	128	265	330	121	60	904
b Unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 taxes) from businesses acquired after June 30, 1975 . . . . .						
c Add lines 10a and 10b . . . . .	128	265	330	121	60	904
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 IV) . . . . .						
13 <b>Total support.</b> (Add lines 9, 10c, 11, and 12) . . . . .						102,629
14 <b>First five years.</b> If the Form 990 is for the organization's first, second, third, fourth, or fifth tax year as a section 501(c)(3) organization, check this box and stop here . . . . . <input type="checkbox"/>						

**Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage**

15 Public support percentage for 2008 (line 8, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f)) . . . . .	15	99.12	%
16 Public support percentage from 2007 Schedule A, Part IV-A, line 27g . . . . .	16		%

**Section D. Computation of Investment Income Percentage**

17 Investment income percentage for 2008 (line 10c, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f)) . . . . .	17	0.88	%
18 Investment income percentage from 2007 Schedule A, Part IV-A, line 27h . . . . .	18		%

19a **33 1/3% support tests - 2008.** 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 - 2007.** 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

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

**Political Campaign and Lobbying Activities**

OMB No 1545-0047

**2008**

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

For Organizations Exempt From Income Tax Under section 501(c) and section 527

▶ To be completed by organizations described below.

▶ Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ.

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

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

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

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

If the organization answered "Yes," to Form 990, Part IV, line 5 (Proxy Tax), then

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

Name of organization

PROJECT UPLIFT, INC.

Employer identification number

58-1864177

**Part I-A** To be completed by all organizations exempt under section 501(c) and section 527 organizations.  
See the instructions for Schedule C for details

- 1 Provide a description of the organization's direct and indirect political campaign activities in Part IV
- 2 Political expenditures . . . . . ▶ \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- 3 Volunteer hours . . . . . \_\_\_\_\_

**Part I-B** To be completed by all organizations exempt under section 501(c)(3).  
See the instructions for Schedule C for details

- 1 Enter the amount of any excise tax incurred by the organization under section 4955 . . . . . ▶ \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- 2 Enter the amount of any excise tax incurred by organization managers under section 4955 . . . . . ▶ \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- 3 If the organization incurred a section 4955 tax, did it file Form 4720 for this year? . . . . .  Yes  No
- 4a Was a correction made? . . . . .  Yes  No
- b If "Yes," describe in Part IV

**Part I-C** To be completed by all organizations exempt under section 501(c), except section 501(c)(3).  
See the instructions for Schedule C for details

- 1 Enter the amount directly expended by the filing organization for section 527 exempt function activities . . . . . ▶ \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- 2 Enter the amount of the filing organization's funds contributed to other organizations for section 527 exempt function activities . . . . . ▶ \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- 3 Total of direct and indirect exempt function expenditures Add lines 1 and 2 and enter here and on Form 1120-POL, line 17b . . . . . ▶ \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- 4 Did the filing organization file Form 1120-POL for this year? . . . . .  Yes  No
- 5 State the names, addresses and employer identification number (EIN) of all section 527 political organizations to which payments were made Enter the amount paid and indicate if the amount was paid from the filing organization's funds or were political contributions received and promptly and directly delivered to a separate political organization, such as a separate segregated fund or a political action committee (PAC) If additional space is needed, provide information in Part IV

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

**Part II-A To be completed by organizations exempt under section 501(c)(3) that filed Form 5768 (election under section 501(h)).** See the instructions for Schedule C for details

- A** Check  if the filing organization belongs to an affiliated group  
**B** Check  if the filing organization checked box A and "limited control" provisions apply

Limits on Lobbying Expenditures (The term "expenditures" means amounts paid or incurred.)	(a) Filing organization's totals	(b) Affiliated group totals												
<b>1a</b> Total lobbying expenditures to influence public opinion (grass roots lobbying) . . . . .														
<b>b</b> Total lobbying expenditures to influence a legislative body (direct lobbying) . . . . .														
<b>c</b> Total lobbying expenditures (add lines 1a and 1b) . . . . .														
<b>d</b> Other exempt purpose expenditures . . . . .														
<b>e</b> Total exempt purpose expenditures (add lines 1c and 1d) . . . . .														
<b>f</b> Lobbying nontaxable amount Enter the amount from the following table in both columns														
<table border="1" style="width:100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="width:50%;"><b>If the amount on line 1e, column (a) or (b) is:</b></td> <td style="width:50%;"><b>The lobbying nontaxable amount is :</b></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Not over \$500,000</td> <td>20% of the amount on line 1e</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Over \$500,000 but not over \$1,000,000</td> <td>\$100,000 plus 15% of the excess over \$500,000</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Over \$1,000,000 but not over \$1,500,000</td> <td>\$175,000 plus 10% of the excess over \$1,000,000</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Over \$1,500,000 but not over \$17,000,000</td> <td>\$225,000 plus 5% of the excess over \$1,500,000</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Over \$17,000,000</td> <td>\$1,000,000</td> </tr> </table>	<b>If the amount on line 1e, column (a) or (b) is:</b>	<b>The lobbying nontaxable amount is :</b>	Not over \$500,000	20% of the amount on line 1e	Over \$500,000 but not over \$1,000,000	\$100,000 plus 15% of the excess over \$500,000	Over \$1,000,000 but not over \$1,500,000	\$175,000 plus 10% of the excess over \$1,000,000	Over \$1,500,000 but not over \$17,000,000	\$225,000 plus 5% of the excess over \$1,500,000	Over \$17,000,000	\$1,000,000		
<b>If the amount on line 1e, column (a) or (b) is:</b>	<b>The lobbying nontaxable amount is :</b>													
Not over \$500,000	20% of the amount on line 1e													
Over \$500,000 but not over \$1,000,000	\$100,000 plus 15% of the excess over \$500,000													
Over \$1,000,000 but not over \$1,500,000	\$175,000 plus 10% of the excess over \$1,000,000													
Over \$1,500,000 but not over \$17,000,000	\$225,000 plus 5% of the excess over \$1,500,000													
Over \$17,000,000	\$1,000,000													
<b>g</b> Grassroots nontaxable amount (enter 25% of line 1f) . . . . .														
<b>h</b> Subtract line 1g from line 1a Enter -0- if line g is more than line a . . . . .														
<b>i</b> Subtract line 1f from line 1c Enter -0- if line f is more than line c . . . . .														
<b>j</b> If there is an amount other than zero on either line 1h or line 1i, did the organization file Form 4720 reporting section 4911 tax for this year? . . . . .		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No												

**4-Year Averaging Period Under Section 501(h)**  
 (Some organizations that made a section 501(h) election do not have to complete all of the five columns below. See the instructions for lines 2a through 2f of the instructions.)

Lobbying Expenditures During 4-Year Averaging Period					
Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in)	(a) 2005	(b) 2006	(c) 2007	(d) 2008	(e) Total
<b>2a</b> Lobbying non-taxable amount					
<b>b</b> Lobbying ceiling amount (150% of line 2a, column (e))					
<b>c</b> Total lobbying expenditures					
<b>d</b> Grassroot non-taxable amount					
<b>e</b> Grassroots ceiling amount (150% of line 2d, column (e))					
<b>f</b> Grassroots lobbying expenditures					

Part II-B To be completed by organizations exempt under section 501(c)(3) that have NOT filed Form 5768 (election under section 501(h)). See the instructions for Schedule C for details

Table with 3 main columns: Question, (a) Yes/No, and (b) Amount. Rows include questions about influencing legislation, lobbying activities, and tax incurred.

Part III-A To be completed by all organizations exempt under section 501(c)(4), section 501(c)(5), or section 501(c)(6). See the instructions for Schedule C for details

Table with 3 columns: Question, Yes, No. Rows include questions about dues received, in-house lobbying expenditures, and carryover lobbying.

Part III-B To be completed by all organizations exempt under section 501(c)(4), section 501(c)(5), or section 501(c)(6) if BOTH Part III-A, questions 1 and 2 are answered "No" OR if Part III-A, question 3 is answered "Yes." See Schedule C instructions for details

Table with 5 rows and 2 columns: Question, Amount. Rows include questions about dues, lobbying expenditures, and taxable amount.

Part IV Supplemental Information

Complete this part to provide the descriptions required for Part I-A, line 1, Part I-B, line 4, Part I-C, line 5, and Part II-B, line 1. Also, complete this part for any additional information

Blank lines for providing supplemental information as required by the instructions.



**Federal Supporting Statements**

**2008**

Name(s) as shown on return

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**FORM 990EZ, PART I, LINE 10  
GRANTS AND SIMILAR AMOUNTS PAID SCHEDULE**

STATEMENT #122

		<u>AMOUNT</u>	<u>RELATIONSHIP</u>
ACTIVITY	TUITION	1,250	NONE
GRANTEE	RAYMOND PHILLIPS		
ADDRESS	765 COINSBURGH CT STONE MOUNTAIN GA 30087		
ACTIVITY	BOOKS	500	NONE
GRANTEE	MAKAELA MCCLINTON		
ADDRESS	1059 QUEENSGATE DR SMYRNA GA 30082		
ACTIVITY	TUITION	1,000	NONE
GRANTEE	JAMAL ANTHONY GARNETT		
ADDRESS	3685 WOODYHILL DR LITHONIA GA 30038		
ACTIVITY	TUITION	1,000	NONE
GRANTEE	MYREON SHOCKLEY		
ADDRESS	6022 BRETTON WOODS DR LITHONIA GA 30058		
	TOTAL	<u>3,750</u>	

**FORM 990EZ, PART I, LINE 16  
OTHER EXPENSES SCHEDULE 2**

<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
LICENSES	30
FIELD TRIP	220
SCHOLARSHIP DANCE	1,125
SUMMER MADNESS DANCE	<u>2,902</u>
TOTAL	<u>4,277</u>