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Form 990

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

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

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

OMB No 1545-0047

2008

Open to Public Inspection

A For the 2008 calendar year, or tax year beginning 03-01-2008 and ending 02-28-2009

B Check if applicable

☐ Address change

☐ Name change

☐ Initial return

☐ Termination

☐ Amended return

☐ Application pending

Please use IRS label or print or type. See Specific Instructions.

C Name of organization

AMERICAN PUBLIC GARDENS ASSOCIATION

Doing Business As

Number and street (or P O box if mail is not delivered to street address)

Room/suite

351 LONGWOOD ROAD

City or town, state or country, and ZIP + 4

KENNETT SQUARE, PA 193481807

D Employer identification number

23-7110058

E Telephone number

(610) 708-3010

G Gross receipts \$ 1,102,248

F Name and address of Principal Officer

DANIEL STARK

351 LONGWOOD ROAD

KENNETT SQUARE, PA 193481807

H(a) Is this a group return for affiliates?

☐ Yes

☒ No

H(b) Are all affiliates included?

☐ Yes

☐ No

(If "No," attach a list See instructions)

H(c) Group Exemption Number

I Tax-exempt status

☒ 501(c) (3)

☐ (Insert no)

☐ 4947(a)(1) or

☐ 527

J Web site: www.aabga.org

K Type of organization

☒ Corporation

☐ trust

☐ association

☐ other

L Year of Formation 1971

M State of legal domicile DE

Part I Summary			
Activities & Governance	1	Briefly describe the organization's mission or most significant activities PROMOTION OF BOTANICAL GARDENS AND ARBORETA TO PRESERVE COLLECTIONS OF LIVING PLANTS FOR EDUCATION AND DISPLAY	
	2	Check this box ☐ if the organization discontinued its operations or disposed of more than 25% of its assets	
	3	Number of voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1a)	11
	4	Number of independent voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1b)	11
	5	Total number of employees (Part V, line 2a)	5
	6	Total number of volunteers (estimate if necessary)	75
	7a	Total gross unrelated business revenue from Part VIII, line 12, column (C)	0
Revenue	b	Net unrelated business taxable income from Form 990-T, line 34	758
	8	Contributions and grants (Part VIII, line 1h)	218,924
	9	Program service revenue (Part VIII, line 2g)	985,417
	10	Investment income (Part VIII, column (A), lines 3, 4, and 7d)	20,321
	11	Other revenue (Part VIII, column (A), lines 5, 6d, 8c, 9c, 10c, and 11e)	2,277
	12	Total revenue—add lines 8 through 11 (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	1,226,939
	13	Grants and similar amounts paid (Part IX, column (A), lines 1–3)	0
Expenses	14	Benefits paid to or for members (Part IX, column (A), line 4)	0
	15	Salaries, other compensation, employee benefits (Part IX, column (A), lines 5–10)	429,661
	16a	Professional fundraising fees (Part IX, column (A), line 11e)	0
	b	(Total fundraising expenses, Part IX, column (D), line 25 ⁰)	
	17	Other expenses (Part IX, column (A), lines 11a–11d, 11f–24f)	769,159
	18	Total expenses—add lines 13–17 (must equal Part IX, line 25, column (A))	1,198,820
	19	Revenue less expenses Subtract line 18 from line 12	-96,693
Net Assets or Fund Balances	20	Total assets (Part X, line 16)	378,955
	21	Total liabilities (Part X, line 26)	98,557
	22	Net assets or fund balances Subtract line 21 from line 20	280,398
			89,701

Part II Signature Block

Please Sign Here

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

Signature of officer

2009-12-10

Date

DAN STARK EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Type or print name and title

Paid Preparer's Use Only

Preparer's signature

ANTHONY R D'AMATO JR CPA

Date

2009-12-16

Check if self-employed

☐

Preparer's PTIN (See Gen Inst)

Firm's name (or yours if self-employed), address, and ZIP + 4

Barbacane Thornton & Company

3411 Silverside Rd 202 Bancroft Bui

Wilmington, DE 19810

EIN

Phone no (302) 478-8940

May the IRS discuss this return with the preparer shown above? (See instructions)

☒ Yes

☐ No

For Privacy Act and Paperwork Reduction Act Notice, see the separate instructions.

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Form 990 (2008)

Part III

Statement of Program Service Accomplishments (See the instructions.)

1

Briefly describe the organization's mission
PROMOTION OF BOTANICAL GARDENS AND ARBORETA TO PRESERVE COLLECTIONS OF LIVING PLANTS FOR EDUCATION AND DISPLAY

2

Did the organization undertake any significant program services during the year which were not listed on the prior Form 990 or 990-EZ? ☐ Yes ☒ No
If "Yes," describe these new services on Schedule O

3

Did the organization cease conducting or make significant changes in how it conducts any program services? ☐ Yes ☒ No
If "Yes," describe these changes on Schedule O

4

Describe the exempt purpose achievements for each of the organization's three largest program services by expenses
Section 501(c)(3) and (4) organizations and 4947(a)(1) trusts 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 \$ 500,375 including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)
MEETINGS & CONFERENCE-CONSIST OF THE ANNUAL MEETING AND REGIONAL MEETINGS FOCUSING ON THEMES DESIGNED TO PROMOTE AN EXCHANGE OF KNOWLEDGE AND INFORMATION

4b

(Code) (Expenses \$ 156,651 including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)
PUBLICATIONS- COORDINATION FOR THE PUBLISHING OF VARIOUS JOURNAL NEWSLETTERS AND DIRECTORIES DEVOTED TO HORTICULTURAL AND BOTANICAL SUBJECTS AS THEY RELATE TO ARBORETA AND BOTANICAL GARDENS

4c

(Code) (Expenses \$ 89,486 including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)
MEMBERSHIP SERVICES-PROVIDE VARIOUS SERVICES TO MEMBERS- CONSULTING, MAINTENANCE OF CENTRALIZED DATA BANK & AVAILABLE LEGISLATIVE INFORMATION THAT MAY AFFECT BOTANICAL GARDENS AND ARBORETA, AND COMMITTEE OPERATIONS

(Code) (Expenses \$ 257,473 including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)

4d

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

4e

Total program service expenses \$ 1,003,985 Must equal Part IX, Line 25, column (B).

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)? If "Yes," complete Schedule A 	1	Yes
2	Is the organization required to complete Schedule B, Schedule of Contributors? 	2	Yes
3	Did the organization engage in direct or indirect political campaign activities on behalf of or in opposition to candidates for public office? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part I	3	No
4	Section 501(c)(3) organizations Did the organization engage in lobbying activities? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part II	4	No
5	Section 501(c)(4), 501(c)(5), and 501(c)(6) organizations Is the organization subject to the section 6033(e) notice and reporting requirement and proxy tax? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part III	5	
6	Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds or any accounts where donors have the right to provide advice on the distribution or investment of amounts in such funds or accounts? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part I 	6	No
7	Did the organization receive or hold a conservation easement, including easements to preserve open space, the environment, historic land areas or historic structures? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part II	7	No
8	Did the organization maintain collections of works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part III 	8	No
9	Did the organization report an amount in Part X, line 21, serve as a custodian for amounts not listed in Part X, or provide credit counseling, debt management, credit repair, or debt negotiation services? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part IV 	9	No
10	Did the organization hold assets in term, permanent, or quasi-endowments? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part V 	10	No
11	Did the organization report an amount in Part X, lines 10, 12, 13, 15, or 25? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Parts VI, VII, VIII, IX, or X as applicable 	11	Yes
12	Did the organization receive an audited financial statement for the year for which it is completing this return that was prepared in accordance with GAAP? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Parts XI, XII, and XIII 	12	Yes
13	Is the organization a school as described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? If "Yes," complete Schedule E	13	No
14a	Did the organization maintain an office, employees, or agents outside of the U S?	14a	No
b	Did the organization have aggregate revenues or expenses of more than \$10,000 from grantmaking, fundraising, business, and program service activities outside the U S? If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Part I	14b	No
15	Did the organization report on Part IX, column (A), line 3, more than \$5,000 of grants or assistance to any organization or entity located outside the United States? If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Part II	15	No
16	Did the organization report on Part IX, column (A), line 3, more than \$5,000 of aggregate grants or assistance to individuals located outside the United States? If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Part III	16	No
17	Did the organization report more than \$15,000 on Part IX, column (A), line 11e? If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part I	17	No
18	Did the organization report more than \$15,000 total on Part VIII, lines 1c and 8a? If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part II	18	No
19	Did the organization report more than \$15,000 on Part VIII, line 9a? If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part III	19	No
20	Did the organization operate one or more hospitals? If "Yes," complete Schedule H	20	No
21	Did the organization report more than \$5,000 on Part IX, column (A), line 1? If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and II	21	No
22	Did the organization report more than \$5,000 on Part IX, column (A), line 2? If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and III	22	No
23	Did the organization answer "Yes" to Part VII, Section A, questions 3, 4, or 5? If "Yes," complete Schedule J	23	No
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? If "Yes," answer questions 24b–24d and complete Schedule K. If "No," go to question 25	24a	No
b	Did the organization invest any proceeds of tax-exempt bonds beyond a temporary period exception?	24b	
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?	24c	
d	Did the organization act as an "on behalf of" issuer for bonds outstanding at any time during the year?	24d	
25a	Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations Did the organization engage in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person during the year? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I	25a	No
b	Did the organization become aware that it had engaged in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person from a prior year? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I	25b	No
26	Was a loan to or by a current or former officer, director, trustee, key employee, highly compensated employee, or disqualified person outstanding as of the end of the organization's tax year? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part II	26	No
27	Did the organization provide a grant or other assistance to an officer, director, trustee, key employee, or substantial contributor, or to a person related to such an individual? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part III	27	No

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

		Yes	No
28	During the tax year, did any person who is a current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee		
a	Have a direct business relationship with the organization (other than as an officer, director, trustee, or employee), or an indirect business relationship through ownership of more than 35% in another entity (individually or collectively with other person(s) listed in Part VII, Section A)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV</i>	28a	No
b	Have a family member who had a direct or indirect business relationship with the organization? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV</i>	28b	No
c	Serve as an officer, director, trustee, key employee, partner, or member of an entity (or a shareholder of a professional corporation) doing business with the organization? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV</i>	28c	No
29	Did the organization receive more than \$25,000 in non-cash contributions? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule M</i>	29	No
30	Did the organization receive contributions of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets, or qualified conservation contributions? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule M</i>	30	No
31	Did the organization liquidate, terminate, or dissolve and cease operations? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part I</i>	31	No
32	Did the organization sell, exchange, dispose of, or transfer more than 25% of its net assets? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part II</i>	32	No
33	Did the organization own 100% of an entity disregarded as separate from the organization under Regulations section 301.7701-2 and 301.7701-3? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part I</i>	33	No
34	Was the organization related to any tax-exempt or taxable entity? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Parts II, III, IV, and V, line 1</i>	34	No
35	Is any related organization a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2</i>	35	No
36	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>	36	No
37	Did the organization conduct more than 5 percent 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>	37	No

Part V

Statements Regarding Other IRS Filings and Tax Compliance

			Yes	No
1a	Enter the number reported in Box 3 of Form 1096, <i>Annual Summary and Transmittal of U.S. Information Returns</i> . Enter -0- if not applicable	1a7		
b	Enter the number of Forms W-2G included in line 1a. Enter -0- if not applicable	1b0		
c	Did the organization comply with backup withholding rules for reportable payments to vendors and reportable gaming (gambling) winnings to prize winners?	1c	Yes	
2a	Enter the number of employees reported on Form W-3, <i>Transmittal of Wage and Tax Statements</i> filed for the calendar year ending with or within the year covered by this return	2a5		
b	If at least one is reported in 2a, did the organization file all required federal employment tax returns? . . . Note: <i>If the sum of lines 1a and 2a is greater than 250, you may be required to e-file this return.</i>	2b		
3a	Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year covered by this return?	3a	Yes	
b	If "Yes," has it filed a Form 990-T for this year? If "No," provide an explanation in Schedule O	3b	Yes	
4a	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)?	4a		No
b	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 .			
5a	Was the organization a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction at any time during the tax year? . . .	5a		No
b	Did any taxable party notify the organization that it was or is a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction?	5b		No
c	If "Yes," to 5a or 5b, did the organization file Form 8886-T, <i>Disclosure by Tax-Exempt Entity Regarding Prohibited Tax Shelter Transaction</i> ?	5c		
6a	Did the organization solicit any contributions that were not tax deductible?	6a		No
b	If "Yes," did the organization include with every solicitation an express statement that such contributions or gifts were not tax deductible?	6b		
7	Organizations that may receive deductible contributions under section 170(c).			
a	Did the organization provide goods or services in exchange for any quid pro quo contribution of \$75 or more?	7a		No
b	If "Yes," did the organization notify the donor of the value of the goods or services provided?	7b		
c	Did the organization sell, exchange, or otherwise dispose of tangible personal property for which it was required to file Form 8282?	7c		No
d	If "Yes," indicate the number of Forms 8282 filed during the year	7d		
e	Did the organization, during the year, receive any funds, directly or indirectly, to pay premiums on a personal benefit contract?	7e		No
f	Did the organization, during the year, pay premiums, directly or indirectly, on a personal benefit contract? . . .	7f		No
g	For all contributions of qualified intellectual property, did the organization file Form 8899 as required?	7g		No
h	For contributions of cars, boats, airplanes, and other vehicles, did the organization file a Form 1098-C as required?	7h		No
8	Section 501(c)(3) and other sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds and section 509(a)(3) supporting organizations. Did the supporting organization, or a fund maintained by a sponsoring organization, have excess business holdings at any time during the year?	8		
9	Section 501(c)(3) and other sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds.			
a	Did the organization make any taxable distributions under section 4966?	9a		
b	Did the organization make a distribution to a donor, donor advisor, or related person?	9b		
10	Section 501(c)(7) organizations. Enter			
a	Initiation fees and capital contributions included on Part VIII, line 12	10a		
b	Gross receipts, included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, for public use of club facilities	10b		
11	Section 501(c)(12) organizations. Enter			
a	Gross income from members or shareholders	11a		
b	Gross income from other sources (Do not net amounts due or paid to other sources against amounts due or received from them)	11b		
12a	Section 4947(a)(1) non-exempt charitable trusts. Is the organization filing Form 990 in lieu of Form 1041?	12a		
b	If "Yes," enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the year	12b		

Part VI

Governance, Management, and Disclosure (Sections A, B, and C request information about policies not required by the Internal Revenue Code.)

Section A. Governing Body and Management

For each "Yes" response to lines 2-7 below, and for a "No" response to lines 8 or 9b below, describe the circumstances, processes, or changes in Schedule O. See instructions.

		Yes	No
1a	Enter the number of voting members of the governing body		
1b	Enter the number of voting members that are independent		
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?		No
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?		No
4	Did the organization make any significant changes to its organizational documents since the prior Form 990 was filed?		No
5	Did the organization become aware during the year of a material diversion of the organization's assets?		No
6	Does the organization have members or stockholders?		No
7a	Does the organization have members, stockholders, or other persons who may elect one or more members of the governing body?		No
7b	Are any decisions of the governing body subject to approval by members, stockholders, or other persons?		No
8	Did the organization contemporaneously document the meetings held or written actions undertaken during the year by the following		
8a	the governing body?	Yes	
8b	each committee with authority to act on behalf of the governing body?	Yes	
9a	Does the organization have local chapters, branches, or affiliates?		No
9b	If "Yes," does the organization have written policies and procedures governing the activities of such chapters, affiliates, and branches to ensure their operations are consistent with those of the organization?		
10	Was a copy of the Form 990 provided to the organization's governing body before it was filed? All organizations must describe in Schedule O the process, if any, the organization uses to review the Form 990		No
11	Is there any officer, director or 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		No

Section B. Policies

		Yes	No
12a	Does the organization have a written conflict of interest policy? If "No", go to line 13	Yes	
12b	Are officers, directors or trustees, and key employees required to disclose annually interests that could give rise to conflicts?	Yes	
12c	Does the organization regularly and consistently monitor and enforce compliance with the policy? If "Yes," describe in Schedule O how this is done	Yes	
13	Does the organization have a written whistleblower policy?	Yes	
14	Does the organization have a written document retention and destruction policy?		No
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		
15a	The organization's CEO, Executive Director, or top management official?	Yes	
15b	Other officers or key employees of the organization? Describe the process in Schedule O		No
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?		No
16b	If "Yes," has the organization adopted a written policy or procedure requiring the organization to evaluate its participation in joint venture arrangements under applicable Federal tax law, and taken 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 _____
18	Section 6104 requires an organization to make its Form 1023 (or 1024 if applicable), 990, and 990-T (501(c) (3)s only) available for public inspection. Indicate how you make these available. Check all that apply. ☐ own website ☒ another's website ☒ upon request
19	Describe in Schedule O whether (and if so, how), the organization makes its governing documents, conflict of interest policy, and financial statements available to the public. See Additional Data Table.
20	State the name, physical address, and telephone number of the person who possesses the books and records of the organization. Mr Dan Stark 351 LONGWOOD ROAD KENNET SQUARE, PA 193481807 (610) 708-3010

Part VII

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

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

1a Complete this table for all persons required to be listed. Use Schedule J-2 if additional space is needed.

* List all of the organization's **current** officers, directors, trustees (whether individuals or organizations) and key employees regardless of amount of compensation, and current key employees. Enter -0- in columns (D), (E), and (F) if no compensation was paid.

* 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, or 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 the organization did not compensate any officer, director, trustee or key employee

(A) Name and Title	(B) Average hours per week	(C) Position (check all that apply)						(D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W-2/1099-MISC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W-2/1099-MISC)	(F) Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations
		Individual Trustee or Director	Institutional Trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former			
DAVID P BARNETT , BOARD MEMBER	50	X						0	0	0
DANIEL STARK , Executive Director	40.00			X				105,061	0	0
CHRISTOPHER P DUNN , PRESIDENT	50			X				0	0	0
NICOLA RIPLEY , VICE PRESIDENT	50			X				0	0	0
BARBARA FAUST , SECRETARY	50			X				0	0	0
PAUL B REDMAN , TREASURER	50			X				0	0	0
KITTY CONNOLLY , BOARD MEMBER	50			X				0	0	0
JAMES COCOS , BOARD MEMBER	50			X				0	0	0
PATRICK LARKIN , BOARD MEMBER	50			X				0	0	0
WILF NICHOLLS , BOARD MEMBER	50			X				0	0	0
DAVID M PRICE , BOARD MEMBER	50			X				0	0	0
LUKE MESSINGER , BOARD MEMBER	50			X				0	0	0

Part VII

Continued

(A) Name and Title	(B) Average hours per week	(C) Position (check all that apply)						(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			
1b Total								105,061	0	0

2 Total number of individuals (including those in 1a) who received more than \$100,000 in reportable compensation from the organization1

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

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

(A) Name and business address	(B) Description of services	(C) Compensation
LANGHAM HOTEL 1401 SOUTH OAK KNOLL AVE PASADENA, CA 91106		194,497

2 Total number of independent contractors (including those in 1) who received more than \$100,000 in compensation from the organization1

Part VIII

Statement of Revenue

			(A) Total Revenue	(B) Related or Exempt Function Revenue	(C) Unrelated Business Revenue	(D) Revenue Excluded from Tax under IRC 512, 513, or 514
Contributions, gifts, grants and other similar amounts	1a	Federated campaigns . . . 1a				
	b	Membership dues 331,951				
		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 81,181				
		1f				
	g	Noncash contributions included in lines 1a-1f \$				
	h	Total (Add lines 1a-1f) 413,132				
Program Service Revenue			Business Code			
	2a	ANNUAL MEETING		525,242	525,242	
	b	PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPME		68,312	68,312	
	c	PUBLICATIONS		61,895	61,895	
	d	FEE INCOME		2,087	2,087	
	e					
	f	All other program service revenue				
	g	Total. Add lines 2a-2f \$ 657,536				
Other Revenue	3	Investment income (including dividends, interest other similar amounts) 7,185		7,185		
	4	Income from investment of tax-exempt bond proceeds				
	5	Royalties				
		(i) Real	(ii) Personal			
	6a	Gross Rents				
	b	Less rental expenses				
	c	Rental income or (loss)				
	d	Net rental income or (loss)				
		(i) Securities	(ii) Other			
	7a	Gross amount from sales of assets other than inventory				
	b	Less cost or other basis and sales expenses				
	c	Gain or (loss)				
	d	Net gain or (loss)				
	8a	Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ of contributions reported on line 1c) See Part IV, line 18 Attach Schedule G if total exceeds \$15,000 a				
	b	Less direct expensesb				
	c	Net income or (loss) from fundraising events				
	9a	Gross income from gaming activities See part IV, line 19 Complete Schedule G if total exceeds \$15,000 a				
	b	Less direct expensesb				
	c	Net income or (loss) from gaming activities				
	10a	Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances a				
	b	Less cost of goods soldb				
	c	Net income or (loss) from sales of inventory				
		Miscellaneous Revenue	Business Code			
11a	MISCELLANEOUS		24,395	24,395		
b						
c						
d	All other revenue					
e	Total. Add lines 11a-11d \$ 24,395					
12	Total Revenue. Add lines 1h, 2g, 3, 4, 5, 6d, 7d, 8c, 9c, 10c, and 11e 1,102,248		689,116	0	0	

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) but are not required to complete columns (B), (C), and (D).					
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 governments and organizations in the U S See Part IV, line 21				
2	Grants and other assistance to individuals in the U S See Part IV, line 22				
3	Grants and other assistance to governments, organizations and individuals outside the U S See Part IV, lines 15 and 16				
4	Benefits paid to or for members				
5	Compensation of current officers, directors, trustees, and key employees	105,061	58,929	46,132	
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	270,200	270,200		
8	Pension plan contributions (include section 401(k) and section 403(b) employer contributions)				
9	Other employee benefits	46,372	46,372		
10	Payroll taxes	27,998	27,998		
11	Fees for services (non-employees)				
a	Management				
b	Legal				
c	Accounting	5,650		5,650	
d	Lobbying				
e	Professional fundraising See Part IV, line 17				
f	Investment management fees				
g	Other	26,683		26,683	
12	Advertising and promotion				
13	Office expenses	50,508		50,508	
14	Information technology				
15	Royalties				
16	Occupancy	23,049		23,049	
17	Travel				
18	Payments of travel or entertainment expenses for any Federal, state or local public officials				
19	Conferences, conventions and meetings				
20	Interest				
21	Payments to affiliates				
22	Depreciation, depletion, and amortization	10,024		10,024	
23	Insurance	9,676		9,676	
24	Other expenses—Itemize expenses not covered above (Expenses grouped together and labeled miscellaneous may not exceed 5% of total expenses shown on line 25 below)				
a	ANNUAL MEETING EXPENSE	406,717	406,717		
b	PUBLICATIONS	103,145	103,145		
c	PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMEN	45,294	45,294		
d	HUMAN RESOURCES EXPENSE	16,839		16,839	
e	MEMBERSHIP SERVICES	13,904	13,904		
f	All other expenses	37,821	31,426	6,395	
25	Total functional expenses. Add lines 1 through 24f	1,198,941	1,003,985	194,956	0
26	Joint Costs. Check ☐ if following SOP 98-2 Complete this line only if the organization reported in column (B) joint costs from a combined educational campaign and fundraising solicitation				

Part X Balance Sheet

		(A) Beginning of year		(B) End of year
Assets	1	Cash—non-interest-bearing	100,701	1 84,690
	2	Savings and temporary cash investments	39,240	2
	3	Pledges and grants receivable, net		3
	4	Accounts receivable, net	2,202	4 6,299
	5	Receivables from current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees or other related parties <i>Complete Part II of Schedule L</i>		5
	6	Receivables from other disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)) and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B) <i>Complete Part II of Schedule L</i>		6
	7	Notes and loans receivable, net		7
	8	Inventories for sale or use		8
	9	Prepaid expenses and deferred charges	41,250	9 31,472
	10a	Land, buildings, and equipment cost basis		
		10a 181,626		
	b	Less accumulated depreciation <i>Complete Part VI of Schedule D</i>		
		10b 159,453	32,197	10c 22,173
	11	Investments—publicly traded securities		11
	12	Investments—other securities See Part IV, line 11 <i>Complete Part VII of Schedule D</i>	163,365	12 124,814
	13	Investments—program-related See Part IV, line 11 <i>Complete Part VIII of Schedule D</i>		13
14	Intangible assets		14	
15	Other assets See Part IV, line 11 <i>Complete Part IX of Schedule D</i>		15	
16	Total assets. Add lines 1 through 15 (must equal line 34)	378,955	16 269,448	
Liabilities	17	Accounts payable and accrued expenses	8,995	17 21,028
	18	Grants payable		18
	19	Deferred revenue	89,562	19 103,719
	20	Tax-exempt bond liabilities		20
	21	Escrow account liability <i>Complete Part IV of Schedule D</i>		21
	22	Payable to current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, highest compensated employees, and disqualified persons <i>Complete Part II of Schedule L</i>		22
	23	Secured mortgages and notes payable to unrelated third parties		23
	24	Unsecured notes and loans payable		24
	25	Other liabilities <i>Complete Part X of Schedule D</i>	0	25 55,000
	26	Total liabilities. Add lines 17 through 25	98,557	26 179,747
Net Assets or Fund Balances	Organizations that follow SFAS 117, check here ☒ and complete lines 27 through 29, and lines 33 and 34.			
	27	Unrestricted net assets	276,888	27 89,701
	28	Temporarily restricted net assets	3,510	28 0
	29	Permanently restricted net assets		29
	Organizations that do not follow SFAS 117, check here ☐ 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	280,398	33 89,701
	34	Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances	378,955	34 269,448

Part XI Financial Statements and Reporting

		Yes	No
1	Accounting method used to prepare the Form 990 ☐ cash ☒ accrual ☐ other		
2a	Were the organization's financial statements compiled or reviewed by an independent accountant?	2a	No
b	Were the organization's financial statements audited by an independent accountant?	2b Yes	
c	If "Yes" to lines 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?	2c	No
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?	3a	No
b	If "Yes," did the organization undergo the required audit or audits?	3b	

SCHEDULE A

(Form 990 or 990EZ)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Public Charity Status and Public Support

To be completed by all section 501(c)(3) organizations and section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts.
Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ. See separate instructions.

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Name of the organization AMERICAN PUBLIC GARDENS ASSOCIATION		Employer identification number 23-7110058
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Part I Reason for Public Charity Status (to be completed by all organizations) (See Instructions)

The organization is not a private foundation because it is (Please check only **one** organization)

1	☐	A church, convention of churches, or association of churches described in Section 170(b)(1)(A)(i).
2	☐	A school described in Section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii). (Attach Schedule E)
3	☐	A hospital or a cooperative hospital service organization described in Section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii). (Attach Schedule H)
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). (See instructions)
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 that describes the type of supporting organization and complete lines 11e through 11h a ☐ Type I b ☐ Type II c ☐ Type III - Functionally Integrated d ☐ Type III - Other
e	☐	By checking this box, I certify that the organization is not controlled directly or indirectly by one or more disqualified persons other than foundation managers and other than one or more publicly supported organizations described in section 509(a)(1) or section 509(a)(2)
f	☐	If the organization received a written determination from the IRS that it is a Type I, Type II or Type III supporting organization, check this box
g	☐	Since August 17, 2006, has the organization accepted any gift or contribution from any of the following persons? (i) a person who directly or indirectly controls, either alone or together with persons described in (ii) and (iii) below, the governing body of the the supported organization? (ii) a family member of a person described in (i) above? (iii) a 35% controlled entity of a person described in (i) or (ii) above?
h	☐	Provide the following information about the organizations the organization supports

	Yes	No
11g(i)		
11g(ii)		
11g(iii)		

(i) Name of Supported Organization	(ii) EIN	(iii) Type of organization (described on lines 1- 9 above or IRC section (See Instructions))	(iv) Is the organization in col (i) listed in your governing document?		(v) Did you notify the organization in col (i) of your support?		(vi) Is the organization in col (i) organized in the U S ?		(vii) Amount of support?
			Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	
Total									

Part II

Support Schedule for Organizations Described in IRC 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.)

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 ")						
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 line 1-3						
5 The portion of total contribution by each person (other than a government unit or publicly supported organization) included on line 1 that exceed 2% of the amount shown on line 11, column (f)						
6 Public Support subtract line 5 from line 4						

Total Support						
Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in)	(a) 2004	(b) 2005	(c) 2006	(d) 2007	(e) 2008	(f) Total
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 501(c)(3) organization, check this box and stop here						

Computation of Public Support Percentage		
14 Public Support Percentage for 2008 (line 6 column (f) divided by line 11 column (f))	14	
15 Public Support Percentage for 2007 Schedule A, Part IV-A, line 26f	15	
16a 33 1/3% 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		
b 33 1/3% Test - 2007. If the organization did not check the 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		
b 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 the box on line 13, 16a, 16b, 17a or 17b, check this box and see instructions		

Part IIISupport Schedule for Organizations Described in IRC 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
1Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received (Do not include any "unusual grants ")	404,670	431,719	545,860	596,204	413,132	2,391,585
2Gross receipts from admissions, merchandise sold or services performed, or facilities furnished in any activity that is related to the organization's tax-exempt purpose	319,440	455,426	511,056	608,137	664,721	2,558,780
3Gross receipts from activities that are not an unrelated trade or business under section 513						
4Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf						
5The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge						
6Total Add lines 1-5	724,110	887,145	1,056,916	1,204,341	1,077,853	4,950,365
7aAmounts included on lines 1, 2, and 3 received from disqualified persons						
bAmounts 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						
cTotal of lines 7a and 7b						
8Public Support (Subtract line 7c from line 6)						4,950,365

Total Support						
Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in)	(a) 2004	(b) 2005	(c) 2006	(d) 2007	(e) 2008	(f) Total
9Amounts from line 6	724,110	887,145	1,056,916	1,204,341	1,077,853	4,950,365
10aGross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources	1,462	6,605	11,095	20,321	7,185	46,668
bUnrelated business taxable income (less section 511 taxes) from businesses acquired after 30 June, 1975						
cAdd lines 10a and 10b	1,462	6,605	11,095	20,321	7,185	46,668
11Net income from unrelated business activities not included in line 10b, whether or not the business is regularly carried on	5,523	3,470	2,359	3,125	1,763	16,240
12Other income Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part IV)			2,565	2,277	24,395	29,237
13Total Support (Add lines 9, 10c, 11 and 12)						5,042,510
14First Five Years If the Form 990 is for the organization's first, second, third, fourth, or fifth tax year as a 501(c)(3) organization, check this box and stop here	☐					

Computation of Public Support Percentage		
15Public Support Percentage for 2008 (line 8 column (f) divided by line 13 column (f))	15	98 170 %
16Public Support Percentage for 2007 Schedule A, Part IV -A, line 27g	16	98 600 %

Computation of Investment Income Percentage		
17Investment Income Percentage for 2008 (line 10c column (f) divided by line 13 column (f))	17	0 930 %
18Investment Income Percentage from 2007 Schedule A, Part IV -A, line 27h	18	0 570 %
19a33 1/3% 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	☐	
b33 1/3% 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	☐	
20Private Foundation If the organization did not check a box on line 14, 19a or 19b, check this box and see instructions	☐	

Part IV

Supplemental Information. Complete this part to provide the information required by Part II, line 10; Part II, line 17a or 17b, or Part III, line 12. Provide and any other additional information. (see instructions)

Facts and Circumstances Test

SCHEDULE D

(Form 990)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Supplemental Financial Statements

▶ **Attach to Form 990. To be completed by organizations that answered "Yes," to Form 990, Part IV, line 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, or 12.**

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Part I

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

	(a) Donor advised funds	(b) Funds and other accounts
1	Total number at end of year	
2	Aggregate Contributions to (during year)	
3	Aggregate Grants from (during year)	
4	Aggregate value at end of year	
5	Did the organization inform all donors and donor advisors in writing that the assets held in donor advised funds are the organization's property, subject to the organization's exclusive legal control? ☐ Yes☐ No	
6	Did the organization inform all grantees, donors, and donor advisors in writing that grant funds may be used only for charitable purposes and not for the benefit of the donor or donor advisor or other impermissible private benefit? ☐ Yes☐ No	

Part II

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

1	Purpose(s) of conservation easements held by the organization (check all that apply) ☐ Preservation of land for public use (e g , recreation or pleasure)☐ Preservation of an historically importantly land area ☐ Protection of natural habitat☐ Preservation of certified historic structure ☐ Preservation of open space											
2	Complete lines 2a–2d if the organization held a qualified conservation contribution in the form of a conservation easement on the last day of the tax year											
		<table><tr><th></th><th>Held at the End of the Year</th></tr><tr><td>a</td><td>Total number of conservation easements</td></tr><tr><td>b</td><td>Total acreage restricted by conservation easements</td></tr><tr><td>c</td><td>Number of conservation easements on a certified historic structure included in (a)</td></tr><tr><td>d</td><td>Number of conservation easements included in (c) acquired after 8/17/06</td></tr></table>		Held at the End of the Year	a	Total number of conservation easements	b	Total acreage restricted by conservation easements	c	Number of conservation easements on a certified historic structure included in (a)	d	Number of conservation easements included in (c) acquired after 8/17/06
	Held at the End of the Year											
a	Total number of conservation easements											
b	Total acreage restricted by conservation easements											
c	Number of conservation easements on a certified historic structure included in (a)											
d	Number of conservation easements included in (c) acquired after 8/17/06											
3	Number of conservation easements modified, transferred, released, extinguished, or terminated by the organization during the taxable 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, violations, and enforcement of the conservation easements it holds? ☐ Yes☐ No											
6	Staff or volunteer hours devoted to monitoring, inspecting and enforcing easements during the year ▶											
7	Amount of expenses incurred in monitoring, inspecting, and enforcing 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 170(h)(4)(B)(ii)? ☐ Yes☐ No											
9	In Part XIV, describe how the organization reports conservation easements in its revenue and expense statement, and balance sheet, and include, if applicable, the text of the footnote to the organization's financial statements that describes the organization's accounting for conservation easements											

Part III

Organizations Maintaining Collections of Art, Historical Treasures, or Other Similar Assets. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 8.

1a	If the organization elected, as permitted under SFAS 116, 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 XIV, the text of the footnote to its financial statements that describes these items	
b	If the organization elected, as permitted under SFAS 116, 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) Revenues included in Form 990, Part VIII, line 1	▶ \$
	(ii) Assets included in Form 990, Part X	▶ \$
2	If the organization received or held works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets for financial gain, provide the following amounts required to be reported under SFAS 116 relating to these items	
a	Revenues included in Form 990, Part VIII, line 1	▶ \$
b	Assets included in Form 990, Part X	▶ \$

Part III

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

3

Using the organization's 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 XIV

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

Trust, Escrow and Custodial Arrangements. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 9, or reported an amount on Form 990, Part X, line 21.

1a

Is the organization an agent, trustee, custodian or other intermediary for contributions or other assets not included on Form 990, Part X?

☐ Yes

☐ No

b

If "Yes," explain why in Part XIV and complete the following table

c

Beginning balance

d

Additions during the year

e

Distributions during the year

f

Ending balance

	Amount
1c	
1d	
1e	
1f	

2a

Did the organization include an amount on Form 990, Part X, line 21?

☐ Yes

☐ No

b

If "Yes," explain the arrangement in Part XIV

Part V

Endowment Funds. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 10.

	(a)Current Year	(b)Prior Year	(c)Two Years Back	(d)Three Years Back	(e)Four Years Back
1a	Beginning of year balance				
b	Contributions				
c	Investment earnings or 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 year end balance held as

a

Board designated or quasi-endowment ▶

b

Permanent endowment ▶

c

Term endowment ▶

3a

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

(i) unrelated organizations

3a(i)

Yes

No

(ii) related organizations

3a(ii)

Yes

No

b

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

3b

Yes

No

4

Describe in Part XIV the intended uses of the organization's endowment funds

Part VI

Investments—Land, Buildings, and Equipment. See Form 990, Part X, line 10.

Description of investment	(a) Cost or other basis (investment)	(b)Cost or other basis (other)	(c) Depreciation	(d) Book value
1a Land				
b Buildings				
c Leasehold improvements				
d Equipment				
e Other		181,626	159,453	22,173
Total. Add lines 1a-1e (Column (d) should equal Form 990, Part X, column (B), line 10(c).) ▶				22,173

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(a) Description of security or category (including name of security)	(b) Book value	(c) Method of valuation Cost or end-of-year market value
Financial derivatives and other financial products		
Closely-held equity interests		
Other Securities and Other Investments	124,814	F
Total. (Column (b) should equal Form 990, Part X, col (B) line 12)	124,814	

(a) Description of investment type	(b) Book value	(c) Method of valuation Cost or end-of-year market value
Total. (Column (b) should equal Form 990, Part X, col (B) line 13)		

(a) Description	(b) Book value
Total. (Column (b) should equal Form 990, Part X, col.(B) line 15.)	

(a) Description of Liability	(b) Amount
Federal Income Taxes	
LINE OF CREDIT	55,000
Total. (Column (b) should equal Form 990, Part X, col (B) line 25)	55,000

Schedule D (Form 990) 2008

Part XI

Reconciliation of Change in Net Assets from Form 990 to Financial Statements

1	Total revenue (Form 990, Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	1	1,102,248
2	Total expenses (Form 990, Part IX, column (A), line 25)	2	1,198,941
3	Excess or (deficit) for the year Subtract line 2 from line 1	3	-96,693
4	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	4	-68,834
5	Donated services and use of facilities	5	
6	Investment expenses	6	
7	Prior period adjustments	7	-25,170
8	Other (Describe in Part XIV)	8	
9	Total adjustments (net) Add lines 4 - 8	9	-94,004
10	Excess or (deficit) for the year per financial statements Combine lines 3 and 9	10	-190,697

Part XII

Reconciliation of Revenue per Audited Financial Statements With Revenue per Return

1	Total revenue, gains, and other support per audited financial statements	1	1,102,248
2	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12		
a	Net unrealized gains on investments	2a	
b	Donated services and use of facilities	2b	
c	Recoveries of prior year grants	2c	
d	Other (Describe in Part XIV)	2d	
e	Add lines 2a through 2d	2e	0
3	Subtract line 2e from line 1	3	1,102,248
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 XIV)	4b	
c	Add lines 4a and 4b	4c	0
5	Total Revenue Add lines 3 and 4c. (This should equal Form 990, Part I, line 12)	5	1,102,248

Part XIII

Reconciliation of Expenses per Audited Financial Statements With Expenses per Return

1	Total expenses and losses per audited financial statements	1	1,198,941
2	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part IX, line 25		
a	Donated services and use of facilities	2a	
b	Prior year adjustments	2b	
c	Losses reported on Form 990, Part IX, line 25	2c	
d	Other (Describe in Part XIV)	2d	
e	Add lines 2a through 2d	2e	0
3	Subtract line 2e from line 1	3	1,198,941
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 XIV)	4b	
c	Add lines 4a and 4b	4c	0
5	Total expenses Add lines 3 and 4c. (This should equal Form 990, Part I, line 18)	5	1,198,941

Part XIV

Supplemental Information

Complete this part to provide the descriptions required for Part II, lines 3, 5, and 9, Part III, lines 1a and 4, Part XIV, lines 1b and 2b, Part V, line 4, Part X, Part XI, line 8, Part XII, lines 2d and 4b, and Part XIII, lines 2d and 4b

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Form 990, Part III, line 4d	Other Program Services	OTHER MEETINGS, COMMITTEE OPERATIONS, RESOURCE CENTER, PROFESSIONAL DEV , GRANT EXPENSES, AND STUDENT TRAVEL AWARD Expenses \$ 257473 including grants of \$ 0 Revenue \$ 0

Identifier	Return Reference	Explanation
Form 990, Part VI, Section A, line 10		A COPY OF FORM 990 HAS NOT PREVIOUSLY BEEN PROVIDED TO THE GOVERNING BODY BEFORE FILING, HOWEVER A COPY WILL BE PROVIDED IN THE FUTURE, BEGINNING WITH THE YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 28, 2009

Identifier	Return Reference	Explanation
Form 990, Part VI, Section B, line 12c		THE ORGANIZATION'S CONFLICTS OF INTEREST POLICY , WITH AN EFFECTIVE DATE OF MARCH 2004, OUTLINES PROCEDURES FOR INDIVIDUALS TO FOLLOW FOR POTENTIAL AND ACTUAL CONFLICTS

Identifier	Return Reference	Explanation
Form 990, Part VI, Section B, line 15		THE ORGANIZATION DOES HAVE A COMPENSATION POLICY WITH AN EFFECTIVE DATE OF DECEMBER 6, 2007 THIS POLICY STATES THAT INDEPENDENT BOARD MEMBERS MUST APPROVE AMERICAN PUBLIC GARDEN'S EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION FURTHERMORE, THE BOARD REVIEWS EXECUTIVE PERFORMANCE ANNUALLY AND USES DATA OF COMPARABLE ORGANIZATIONS TO MAKE A DETERMINATION ON COMPENSATION AND THE DECISIONS MADE ARE DOCUMENTED IN THE ORGANIZATION'S RECORDS

Identifier	Return Reference	Explanation
Form 990, Part VI, Section C, line 19		GOVERNING DOCUMENTS AND FINANCIAL DATA ARE AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST

Identifier	Return Reference	Explanation
Form 990, Part VI, Section B, Line 14, DOCUMENT RETENTION/DESTR POLICY		ORGANIZATION CURRENTLY DOES NOT HAVE A WRITTEN POLICY REGARDING DOCUMENT RETENTION AND DESTRUCTION, HOWEVER GOVERNMENT GUIDELINES WERE FOLLOWED AS SUCH ALL DOCUMENTS WERE RETAINED FOR A SEVEN YEAR PERIOD THE ORGANIZATION WILL ADOPT A WRITTEN POLICY FOR DOCUMENT RETENTION AND DESTRUCTION PROCEDURES WHICH WILL BE EFFECTIVE IN THE 2009 CALENDAR YEAR

Identifier	Return Reference	Explanation
Form 990, Part VI, Section B, Line 13 WHISTLEBLOWER POLICY		THE ORGANIZATION HAS A WHISTLEBLOWER POLICY THAT ENCOURAGES ALL EMPLOYEES AND VOLUNTEERS TO COME FORWARD WITH CREDIBLE INFORMATION ON ILLEGAL PRACTICES OR VIOLATIONS OF ADOPTED POLICIES THE WHISTLEBLOWER POLICY ALSO INDICATES INDIVIDUALS WILL BE PROTECTED FROM RETALIATION