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Form **990-EZ**

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Short Form 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)

▷ 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

OMB No. 1545-1150

2008

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A For the 2008 calendar year, or tax year beginning JANUARY 1, 2009, and ending JUNE 30, 2009

B Check if applicable <input type="checkbox"/> Address change <input type="checkbox"/> Name change <input type="checkbox"/> Initial return <input type="checkbox"/> Termination <input type="checkbox"/> Amended return <input type="checkbox"/> Application pending	C Name of organization A ROCHA USA, INC. Number and street (or P O box, if mail is not delivered to street address) P.O. BOX 1338 City or town, state or country, and ZIP + 4 FREDERICKSBURG, TX 78624	D Employer identification number 31 1751509 E Telephone number (830) 992-7940 F Group Exemption Number ▷ N/A
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▷ **Section 501(c)(3) organizations and 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts must attach a completed Schedule A (Form 990 or 990-EZ).**

I Website: ▷ WWW.AROCHA.ORG

J Organization type (check only one) – 501(c) (3) ▷ (insert no) 4947(a)(1) or 527

K Check ▷ 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 ▷ \$ 377,621

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

Revenue 1 Contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts received 2 Program service revenue including government fees and contracts 3 Membership dues and assessments 4 Investment income 5a Gross amount from sale of assets other than inventory b Less cost of other basis and sales expenses c Gain or (loss) from sale of assets other than inventory (Subtract line 5b from line 5a) (attach schedule) 6 Special events and activities (complete applicable parts of Schedule G) If any amount is from gaming, check here ▷ <input type="checkbox"/> a Gross revenue (not including \$ 0) of contributions reported on line 1 b Less direct expenses other than fundraising expenses c Net income or (loss) from special events and activities (Subtract line 6b from line 6a) 7a Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances b Less cost of goods sold c Gross profit or (loss) from sales of inventory (Subtract line 7b from line 7a) 8 Other revenue (describe ▷ <u>SEE STATEMENT 1</u>) 9 Total revenue. Add lines 1, 2, 3, 4, 5c, 6c, 7c, and 8. ▷ <u>377,621</u>	1 305,651 2 3 4 71,152 5c 6a 6b 6c 7a 7b 7c 8 818 9 377,621
Expenses 10 Grants and similar amounts paid (attach schedule) 11 Benefits paid to or for members 12 Salaries, other compensation, and employee benefits 13 Professional fees and other payments to independent contractors 14 Occupancy, rent, utilities, and maintenance 15 Printing, publications, postage, and shipping 16 Other expenses (describe ▷ <u>SEE STATEMENT 3</u>) 17 Total expenses. Add lines 10 through 16. ▷ <u>377,499</u>	10 284,323 11 12 68,699 13 9,169 14 2,981 15 987 16 11,340 17 377,499 18 122 19 98,626 20 0 21 98,748
Net Assets 18 Excess or (deficit) for the year (Subtract line 17 from line 9) 19 Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (from line 27, column (A)) (must agree with end-of-year figure reported on prior year's return) 20 Other changes in net assets or fund balances (attach explanation) 21 Net assets or fund balances at end of year Combine lines 18 through 20 ▷ <u>98,748</u>	

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.

(See the instructions for Part II) 22 Cash, savings, and investments 23 Land and buildings 24 Other assets (describe ▷ <u>DEPOSITS</u>) 25 Total assets 26 Total liabilities (describe ▷ <u>SEE STATEMENT 4</u>) 27 Net assets or fund balances (line 27 of column (B) must agree with line 21)	(A) Beginning of year 99,085 22 2,502 23 1,652 24 103,239 25 4,613 26 98,626 27	(B) End of year 98,361 1,940 1,652 101,953 3,205 98,748
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Part VI Other Information (Note the statement requirements in the instructions for Part VI.)

33 Did the organization engage in any activity not previously reported to the IRS? If "Yes," attach a detailed description of each activity 33 ✓

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 34 ✓

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 35a ✓

a Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more or section 6033(e) notice, reporting, and proxy tax requirements? 35b

b If "Yes," has it filed a tax return on **Form 990-T** for this year? 36 ✓

36 Was there a liquidation, dissolution, termination, or substantial contraction during the year? If "Yes," complete applicable parts of Schedule N 36 ✓

37a Enter amount of political expenditures, direct or indirect, as described in the instructions. ▷ **37a** 0

b Did the organization file **Form 1120-POL** for this year? 37b ✓

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? 38a ✓

b If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part II and enter the total amount involved 38b 2,500

39 Section 501(c)(7) organizations. Enter

a Initiation fees and capital contributions included on line 9 39a N/A

b Gross receipts, included on line 9, for public use of club facilities 39b N/A

40a Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Enter amount of tax imposed on the organization during the year under section 4911 ▷ **40a** 0; section 4912 ▷ **40a** 0; section 4955 ▷ **40a** 0

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 40b ✓

c Enter amount of tax imposed on organization managers or disqualified persons during the year under sections 4912, 4955, and 4958 40c 0

d Enter amount of tax on line 40c reimbursed by the organization 40d 0

e All organizations At any time during the tax year, was the organization a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction? If "Yes," complete Form 8886-T 40e ✓

41 List the states with which a copy of this return is filed. ▷ **TEXAS**

42a The books are in care of ▷ **THE ORGANIZATION** Telephone no. ▷ **42a** (830) 992-7940
Located at ▷ **P.O. BOX 1338 FREDERICKSBURG, TX** ZIP + 4 ▷ **42a** 78624

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)? 42b ✓
If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country ▷ **N/A**
See the instructions for exceptions and filing requirements for **Form TD F 90-22.1, Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts**.

c At any time during the calendar year, did the organization maintain an office outside of the U.S.? 42c ✓
If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country ▷ **N/A**

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 ▷ **43** 43 N/A

44 Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds? If "Yes," Form 990 must be completed instead of Form 990-EZ 44 ✓

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 45 ✓

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.

46 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 Yes No 46

47 Did the organization engage in lobbying activities? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part II Yes No 47

48 Is the organization operating a school as described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? If "Yes," complete Schedule E Yes No 48

49a Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization? Yes No 49a

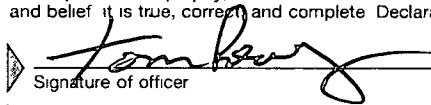
b If "Yes," was the related organization(s) a section 527 organization? Yes No 49b

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. If there is none, enter "None."

(a) Name and address of each employee paid more than \$100,000	(b) Title and average hours per week devoted to position	(c) Compensation	(d) Contributions to employee benefit plans & deferred compensation	(e) Expense account and other allowances
NONE				
Total number of other employees paid over \$100,000 ►				

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

(a) Name and address of each independent contractor paid more than \$100,000	(b) Type of service	(c) Compensation
NONE		
Total number of other independent contractors each receiving over \$100,000 ►		

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		
		5-17-10	Date
	THOMAS ROWLEY, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR		
Type or print name and title			
Paid Preparer's Use Only	Preparer's signature 	Date	Check if self-employed ► <input type="checkbox"/>
	Firm's name (or yours if self-employed), address, and ZIP + 4 	EIN ► :	Preparer's Identifying Number (See instructions)
		Phone no ► ()	

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

► Yes No

SCHEDULE A
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Public Charity Status and Public Support

OMB No 1545-0047

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Internal Revenue Service

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.

Name of the organization

Employer identification number

31 | 1751509

Part II **Reason for Public Charity Status** (All organizations must complete this part.) (see instructions)

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

1	<input type="checkbox"/> A church, convention of churches, or association of churches described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(i) .
2	<input type="checkbox"/> A school described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii) . (Attach Schedule E)
3	<input type="checkbox"/> A hospital or a cooperative hospital service organization described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii) . (Attach Schedule H.)
4	<input type="checkbox"/> 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	<input type="checkbox"/> 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	<input type="checkbox"/> A federal, state, or local government or governmental unit described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(v) .
7	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 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	<input type="checkbox"/> A community trust described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi) . (Complete Part II.)
9	<input type="checkbox"/> 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	<input type="checkbox"/> An organization organized and operated exclusively to test for public safety. See section 509(a)(4) . (see instructions)
11	<input type="checkbox"/> 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 <input type="checkbox"/> Type I b <input type="checkbox"/> Type II c <input type="checkbox"/> Type III—Functionally integrated d <input type="checkbox"/> Type III—Other
e	<input type="checkbox"/> 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 _____ <input type="checkbox"/>
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 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)		

Part I **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

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.")	167,458	281,597	405,130	338,619	306,469	1,499,273
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 1-3	167,458	281,597	405,130	338,619	306,469	1,499,273
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)						561,179
6 Public support. Subtract line 5 from line 4.						938,094

Section B. 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	167,458	281,597	405,130	338,619	306,469	1,499,273
8 Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources	793	1,179	3,3-9	3,870	71,152	80,343
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						1,579,616
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						<input type="checkbox"/>

Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage

14 Public support percentage for 2008 (line 6, column (f) divided by line 11, column (f))	14	59.3875 %
15 Public support percentage from 2007 Schedule A, Part IV-A, line 26f	15	61.4659 %
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		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
b 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		<input type="checkbox"/>
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		<input type="checkbox"/>
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		<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.)

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.")	N/A					
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 1-5						
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 1% of the total of lines 9, 10c, 11, and 12 for the year or \$5,000						
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) 2004	(b) 2005	(c) 2006	(d) 2007	(e) 2008	(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 IV)						
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						▶ <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	%
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	%
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	▶ <input type="checkbox"/>	
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	▶ <input type="checkbox"/>	
20 Private foundation. If the organization did not check a box on line 14, 19a, or 19b, check this box and see instructions	▶ <input type="checkbox"/>	

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

N/A

A Rocha USA, Inc
Attachments to 2008 Form 990-EZ
EIN 31-1751509

Statement 1

Form 990-EZ, Part I, Line 8, Other Revenue

Financial Administration Fee	818
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Statement 2

Form 990-EZ, Part I, Line 10, Grants and Similar Amounts Paid

A Rocha Canada	11,623
A Rocha International	147,999
A Rocha Peru	20,000
A Rocha Czech	2,599
A Rocha Santa Barbara	4,596
Samaritan's Road International	74,409
A Rocha Asia	1,253
Urban Gardening	21,500
A Rocha Boise	344
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	284,323
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Statement 3

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

Bank Charges	554
Depreciation	562
Office Expenses	1,351
Payroll Taxes	5,220
Travel Expenses	3,110
Vehicle Expenses	543
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	11,340
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Statement 4

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

Payroll Taxes Payable	705
Loan Payable - Officer	2,500
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	3,205
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Statement 5

Form 990-EZ, Part III, Line 28-32, Statement of Program Service Accomplishments

Line 28

Engaging for stewardship A Rocha 1) conducted educational programs throughout the year at three locations Santa Barbara, CA, Boise, ID, and Lynden, WA) to encourage and equip people to engage in stewardship, 2) gave presentations at churches, universities and conferences around the country, and 3) developed and disseminated educational materials (how-to sheets, newsletters, etc) on the Internet and through the mail	47,270
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Line 29

Resources for education and conservation A Rocha 1) continued its conservation work to repopulate Kestrels in western Washington State to reduce predation of berry crops by Starlings, 2) constructed community gardens in Philadelphia, PA, Lexington, KY, Santa Barbara, CA, and Lynden, WA, and 3) developed and launched a watershed protection program in Boise, ID	30,401
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Line 30

Worldwide actions A Rocha USA strengthens the work of A Rocha International's projects through funding, volunteers, and technical assistance In 2009, A Rocha USA gave financial grants to aid in the education and conservation efforts of A Rocha projects in Canada, the United Kingdom, Czech Republic, Peru, and Asia	273,235
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Line 32

350,906