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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)

OMB No 1545-0047

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

A For the 2008 calendar year, or tax year beginning **JUL 1, 2008** and ending **JUN 30, 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 ACADEMY OF OPTOMETRY		D Employer identification number 41-1227642
		Doing Business As		
		Number and street (or P.O. box if mail is not delivered to street address)	Room/suite	E Telephone number 301-984-1441
		6110 EXECUTIVE BLVD	506	
		City or town, state or country, and ZIP + 4 ROCKVILLE, MD 20852		G Gross receipts \$ 5,753,438.
		F Name and address of principal officer LOIS SCHOENBRUN SAME AS C ABOVE		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 Website: ▶ WWW.AAOPT.ORG				
K Type of organization: ☒ Corporation ☐ Trust ☐ Association ☐ Other ▶				
L Year of formation: 1922 M State of legal domicile: DC				

Part I Summary

Activities & Governance	1 Briefly describe the organization's mission or most significant activities TO MAINTAIN AND ENHANCE EXCELLENCE IN OPTOMETRIC PRACTICE.		
	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)	3	8
	4 Number of independent voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1b)	4	8
	5 Total number of employees (Part V, line 2a)	5	14
	6 Total number of volunteers (estimate if necessary)	6	205
	7a Total gross unrelated business revenue from Part VIII, line 12, column (C)	7a	0.
b Net unrelated business taxable income from Form 990-T, line 34	7b	0.	
Revenue	8 Contributions and grants (Part VIII, line 1h)	Prior Year	Current Year
	9 Program service revenue (Part VIII, line 2g)	554,419.	378,108.
	10 Investment income (Part VII, column (A), lines 3, 4, and 7d)	2,808,517.	2,920,492.
	11 Other revenue (Part VII, column (A), lines 5, 6, 8c, 9c, 10c, and 11e)	272,429.	-407,746.
	12 Total revenue - add lines 8 through 11 (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	3,803,626.	3,060,049.
Expenses	13 Grants and similar amounts paid (Part IX, column (A), lines 1-3)	71,250.	229,170.
	14 Benefits paid to or for members (Part IX, column (A), line 4)		
	15 Salaries, other compensation, employee benefits (Part IX, column (A), lines 5-10)	752,407.	880,463.
	16a Professional fundraising fees (Part IX, column (A), line 11e)		
	b Total fundraising expenses (Part IX, column (D), line 25) ▶		
	17 Other expenses (Part IX, column (A), lines 11a-11d, 11f-24f)	2,515,876.	2,320,439.
	18 Total expenses - Add lines 13-17 (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	3,339,533.	3,430,072.
19 Revenue less expenses - Subtract line 18 from line 12	464,093.	-370,023.	
Net Assets or Fund Balances	20 Total assets (Part X, line 16)	Beginning of Year	End of Year
	21 Total liabilities (Part X, line 26)	4,912,069.	4,499,133.
	22 Net assets or fund balances. Subtract line 21 from line 20	1,288,759.	1,248,287.
		3,623,310.	3,250,846.

Part II Signature Block

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined this return, including accompanying schedules and statements, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete. Declaration of preparer (other than officer) is based on all information of which preparer has any knowledge.			
Sign Here	Signature of officer <i>Lois Schoenbrun</i>	Date 5/11/10	
	LOIS SCHOENBRUN, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR Type or print name and title		
Paid Preparer's Use Only	Preparer's signature <i>John A. Allen, CPA</i>	Date 5/10/10	Check if self-employed ☐
	Firm's name (or yours if self-employed), address, and ZIP + 4 LARSON ALLEN LLP 2900 SOUTH QUINCY ST., SUITE 150 ARLINGTON, VA 22206		Preparer's identifying number (see instructions) P00007511
			EIN ▶ 41-0746749 Phone no. ▶ 703-998-5100

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

☒ Yes ☐ No

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Part III Statement of Program Service Accomplishments (see instructions)

1 Briefly describe the organization's mission:

TO MAINTAIN AND ENHANCE EXCELLENCE IN OPTOMETRIC PRACTICE.

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 501(c)(4) organizations and section 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 \$ 1,734,777. including grants of \$ 0.) (Revenue \$ 1,704,180.)

THE ANNUAL MEETING WAS HELD TO EXCHANGE MEDICAL AND SCIENTIFIC KNOWLEDGE RELATING TO THE FIELD OF OPTOMETRY. THE ANNUAL MEETING INCLUDES THE CONTINUING EDUCATION PROGRAM THAT CONSISTS OF MORE THAN 100 COURSES AND PROMOTES KNOWLEDGE ON ALL ASPECTS OF OPTOMETRY PRACTICE.

4b (Code) (Expenses \$ 438,110. including grants of \$ 0.) (Revenue \$ 14,430.)

THE ACADEMY'S JOURNAL, "OPTOMETRY & VISION SCIENCE," ARCHIVES THE ADVANCEMENT OF PRIMARY EYE CARE BY PUBLISHING CURRENT RESEARCH IN THE FIELD. THE ACADEMY'S NEWSLETTERS INFORM MEMBERS OF THE ACTIVITIES AND PROMOTE FELLOWSHIP. MEMBERSHIP DEVELOPMENT AND RELATED COMMITTEE EXPENSES INCLUDE DESIGN AND PRINTING OF MARKETING MATERIALS, COMMITTEE MEETING TRAVEL, AND TRAVEL TO THE ANNUAL MEETING. ALSO INCLUDED AS MEMBER RETENTION IS DUES PRINTING AND MAILING.

4c (Code) (Expenses \$ 419,822. including grants of \$ 229,170.) (Revenue \$ 0.)

THE ACADEMY PROVIDES \$750 TRAVEL GRANTS TO OPTOMETRY STUDENTS TO ATTEND TWO EDUCATIONAL EVENTS DURING THE YEAR - THE ACADEMY'S ANNUAL MEETING AND THE ASSOCIATION FOR RESEARCH IN VISION AND OPHTHALMOLOGY. SELECTION IS COMPETITIVE AND DETERMINED BY THE ACADEMY'S RESEARCH COMMITTEE. IN ADDITION THE ACADEMY AWARDS SEVERAL RECOGNITIONS THAT INCLUDE HONORARIA FOR SPEAKING AT THE AWARDS CEREMONY AT THE ACADEMY'S ANNUAL MEETING.

4d Other program services (Describe in Schedule O)

(Expenses \$ 474,616. including grants of \$) (Revenue \$ 1,201,882.)

4e Total program service expenses ► \$ 3,067,325. (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)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule A</i>	1 X	
2 Is the organization required to complete Schedule B, Schedule of Contributors?	2 X	
3 Did the organization engage in direct or indirect political campaign activities on behalf of or in opposition to candidates for public office? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part I</i>	3	X
4 Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Did the organization engage in lobbying activities? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part II</i>	4	X
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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part III</i>	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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part I</i>	6	X
7 Did the organization receive or hold a conservation easement, including easements to preserve open space, the environment, historic land areas, or historic structures? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part II</i>	7	X
8 Did the organization maintain collections of works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part III</i>	8	X
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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part IV</i>	9	X
10 Did the organization hold assets in term, permanent, or quasi-endowments? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part V</i>	10 X	
11 Did the organization report an amount in Part X, lines 10, 12, 13, 15, or 25? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Parts VI, VII, VIII, IX, or X as applicable</i>	11 X	
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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Parts XI, XII, and XIII</i>	12	X
13 Is the organization a school as described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule E</i>	13	X
14a Did the organization maintain an office, employees, or agents outside of the U.S.?	14a	X
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.? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Part I</i>	14b X	
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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Part II</i>	15 X	
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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Part III</i>	16 X	
17 Did the organization report more than \$15,000 on Part IX, column (A), line 11e? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part I</i>	17	X
18 Did the organization report more than \$15,000 total on Part VIII, lines 1c and 8a? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part II</i>	18	X
19 Did the organization report more than \$15,000 on Part VIII, line 9a? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part III</i>	19	X
20 Did the organization operate one or more hospitals? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule H</i>	20	X
21 Did the organization report more than \$5,000 on Part IX, column (A), line 1? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and II</i>	21 X	
22 Did the organization report more than \$5,000 on Part IX, column (A), line 2? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and III</i>	22 X	
23 Did the organization answer "Yes" to Part VII, Section A, questions 3, 4, or 5? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J</i>	23 X	
24a Did the organization have a tax-exempt bond issue with an outstanding principal amount of more than \$100,000 as of the last day of the year, that was issued after December 31, 2002? <i>If "Yes," answer questions 24b-24d and complete Schedule K. If "No," go to question 25</i>	24a	X
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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I</i>	25a	X
b Did the organization become aware that it had engaged in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person from a prior year? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I</i>	25b	X
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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part II</i>	26	X
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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part III</i>	27	X

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>		X
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>		X
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>		X
29 Did the organization receive more than \$25,000 in non-cash contributions? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule M</i>	X	
30 Did the organization receive contributions of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets, or qualified conservation contributions? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule M</i>		X
31 Did the organization liquidate, terminate, or dissolve and cease operations? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part I</i>		X
32 Did the organization sell, exchange, dispose of, or transfer more than 25% of its net assets? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part II</i>		X
33 Did the organization own 100% of an entity disregarded as separate from the organization under Regulations sections 301.7701-2 and 301.7701-3? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part I</i>		X
34 Was the organization related to any tax-exempt or taxable entity? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Parts II, III, IV, and V, line 1</i>	X	
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>	X	
36 Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2</i>		X
37 Did the organization conduct more than 5% of its activities through an entity that is not a related organization and that is treated as a partnership for federal income tax purposes? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part VI</i>		X

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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**

		Yes	No
For each "Yes" response to lines 2-7b below, and for a "No" response to lines 8 or 9b below, describe the circumstances, processes, or changes in Schedule O. See instructions.			
1a	Enter the number of voting members of the governing body	8	
1b	Enter the number of voting members that are independent	8	
2	Did any officer, director, trustee, or key employee have a family relationship or a business relationship with any other officer, director, trustee, or key employee?		X
3	Did the organization delegate control over management duties customarily performed by or under the direct supervision of officers, directors or trustees, or key employees to a management company or other person?		X
4	Did the organization make any significant changes to its organizational documents since the prior Form 990 was filed?		X
5	Did the organization become aware during the year of a material diversion of the organization's assets?		X
6	Does the organization have members or stockholders?	X	
7a	Does the organization have members, stockholders, or other persons who may elect one or more members of the governing body?	X	
7b	Are any decisions of the governing body subject to approval by members, stockholders, or other persons?	X	
8	Did the organization contemporaneously document the meetings held or written actions undertaken during the year by the following:		
a	The governing body?	X	
b	Each committee with authority to act on behalf of the governing body?	X	
9a	Does the organization have local chapters, branches, or affiliates?	X	
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?	X	
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.	X	
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.		X

Section B. Policies

		Yes	No
12a	Does the organization have a written conflict of interest policy? If "No," go to line 13.	X	
12b	Are officers, directors or trustees, and key employees required to disclose annually interests that could give rise to conflicts?		X
12c	Does the organization regularly and consistently monitor and enforce compliance with the policy? If "Yes," describe in Schedule O how this is done.	X	
13	Does the organization have a written whistleblower policy?	X	
14	Does the organization have a written document retention and destruction policy?	X	
15	Did the process for determining compensation of the following persons include a review and approval by independent persons, comparability data, and contemporaneous substantiation of the deliberation and decision:		
a	The organization's CEO, Executive Director, or top management official?	X	
b	Other officers or key employees of the organization? Describe the process in Schedule O (see instructions).	X	
16a	Did the organization invest in, contribute assets to, or participate in a joint venture or similar arrangement with a taxable entity during the year?		X
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 **FL, MD**

18 Section 6104 requires an organization to make its Forms 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.

20 State the name, physical address, and telephone number of the person who possesses the books and records of the organization **▶**
LOIS SCHOENBRUN - 301-984-1441
6110 EXECUTIVE BLVD, NO. 506, ROCKVILLE, MD 20852

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), 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, and highest compensated employees who received more than \$100,000 of reportable compensation from the organization and any related organizations
- List all of the organization's **former directors or trustees** that received, in the capacity as a former director or trustee of the organization, more than \$10,000 of reportable compensation from the organization and any related organizations

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

☐ Check this box if the organization did not compensate any officer, director, trustee, or key employee

[illegible]

Part VII Section A. Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees (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								162,697.	0.	20,837.

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

- 3** Did the organization list any **former** officer, director or trustee, key employee, or highest compensated employee on line 1a? If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual
- 4** For any individual listed on line 1a, is the sum of reportable compensation and other compensation from the organization and related organizations greater than \$150,000? If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual
- 5** Did any person listed on line 1a receive or accrue compensation from any unrelated organization for services rendered to the organization? If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such person

	Yes	No
3		X
4	X	
5		X

Section B. Independent Contractors

1 Complete this table for your five highest compensated independent contractors that received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization.

(A) Name and business address	(B) Description of services	(C) Compensation
MARRIOTT INTERNATIONAL PO BOX 403003, ATLANTA, GA 30384	MEETING	226,959.
ARAMARK 800 W. KATELLA, ANAHEIM, CA 92802	MEETING	215,680.
GES EXPOSITION SERVICES, INC. 7050 LINDELL AVE, LAS VEGAS, NV 89118	MEETING	192,863.
ANAHEIM CONVENTION CENTER 800 W. KATELLA, ANAHEIM, CA 92802	MEETING	140,666.

2 Total number of independent contractors (including those in 1) who received more than \$100,000 in compensation from the organization ▶ **4**

Part VIII Statement of Revenue				(A) Total revenue	(B) Related or exempt function revenue	(C) Unrelated business revenue	(D) Revenue excluded from tax under sections 512, 513, or 514
Contributions, gifts, grants and other similar amounts	1 a Federated campaigns	1a					
	b Membership dues	1b					
	c Fundraising events	1c					
	d Related organizations	1d					
	e Government grants (contributions)	1e					
	f All other contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts not included above	1f	378,108.				
	g Noncash contributions included in lines 1a-1f \$		46,007.				
	h Total. Add lines 1a-1f		378,108.				
Program Service Revenue	2 a ANNUAL MEETING	Business Code	900099	1704180.	1704180.		
	b MEMBERSHIP DUES		900099	1201882.	1201882.		
	c PUBLICATIONS		511120	14,430.	14,430.		
	d						
	e						
	f All other program service revenue						
	g Total. Add lines 2a-2f		2920492.				
	Other Revenue	3 Investment income (including dividends, interest, and other similar amounts)			114,843.		
4 Income from investment of tax-exempt bond proceeds							
5 Royalties				168,872.			168,872.
6 a Gross Rents		(i) Real	(ii) Personal				
b Less rental expenses							
c Rental income or (loss)							
d Net rental income or (loss)							
7 a Gross amount from sales of assets other than inventory		(i) Securities	(ii) Other				
b Less. cost or other basis and sales expenses							
c Gain or (loss)							
d Net gain or (loss)				-522,589.			-522589.
8 a Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ _____ of contributions reported on line 1c) See Part IV, line 18		a					
b Less direct expenses		b					
c Net income or (loss) from fundraising events							
9 a Gross income from gaming activities See Part IV, line 19		a					
b Less direct expenses		b					
c Net income or (loss) from gaming activities							
10 a Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances		a					
b Less cost of goods sold		b					
c Net income or (loss) from sales of inventory							
Miscellaneous Revenue			Business Code				
11 a MISCELLANEOUS REVENUE		900099	323.			323.	
b							
c							
d All other revenue							
e Total. Add lines 11a-11d			323.				
12 Total Revenue. Add lines 1h, 2g, 3, 4, 5, 6d, 7d, 8c, 9c, 10c, and 11e			3060049.	2920492.		0.	-238551.

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	105,170.	105,170.		
2 Grants and other assistance to individuals in the U.S. See Part IV, line 22	50,000.	50,000.		
3 Grants and other assistance to governments, organizations, and individuals outside the U.S. See Part IV, lines 15 and 16	74,000.	74,000.		
4 Benefits paid to or for members				
5 Compensation of current officers, directors, trustees, and key employees	195,965.	195,965.		
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	560,789.	560,789.		
8 Pension plan contributions (include section 401(k) and section 403(b) employer contributions)				
9 Other employee benefits	73,633.	73,633.		
10 Payroll taxes	50,076.	50,076.		
11 Fees for services (non-employees)				
a Management				
b Legal	8,000.		8,000.	
c Accounting	15,131.		15,131.	
d Lobbying				
e Professional fundraising services. See Part IV, line 17				
f Investment management fees				
g Other	44,985.	17,788.	27,197.	
12 Advertising and promotion				
13 Office expenses	251,370.	190,618.	60,752.	
14 Information technology				
15 Royalties				
16 Occupancy	136,490.	36,698.	99,792.	
17 Travel	172,286.	115,946.	56,340.	
18 Payments of travel or entertainment expenses for any federal, state, or local public officials				
19 Conferences, conventions, and meetings	1,062,153.	1,062,153.		
20 Interest				
21 Payments to affiliates				
22 Depreciation, depletion, and amortization	25,395.		25,395.	
23 Insurance	26,979.	18,064.	8,915.	
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 JOURNAL EXPENSES	358,495.	358,495.		
b DECORATOR	105,385.	105,385.		
c MISCELLANEOUS	66,161.	23,139.	43,022.	
d DUES/SUBSCRIPTIONS	25,638.	25,638.		
e FEES/TAXES	15,460.		15,460.	
f All other expenses	6,511.	3,768.	2,743.	
25 Total functional expenses. Add lines 1 through 24f	3,430,072.	3,067,325.	362,747.	0.
26 Joint Costs. Check here ☐ 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.	1	100.
	2 Savings and temporary cash investments	348,388.	2	613,780.
	3 Pledges and grants receivable, net	274,961.	3	65,000.
	4 Accounts receivable, net	34,629.	4	
	5 Receivables from current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, or other related parties. Complete Part II of Schedule L		5	
	6 Receivables from other disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)) and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B). Complete Part II of Schedule L		6	
	7 Notes and loans receivable, net		7	
	8 Inventories for sale or use		8	
	9 Prepaid expenses and deferred charges	232,156.	9	252,002.
	10a Land, buildings, and equipment - cost basis	10a 278,303.		
	b Less accumulated depreciation. Complete Part VI of Schedule D	10b 180,423.		
	11 Investments - publicly traded securities	118,021.	10c	97,880.
	12 Investments - other securities. See Part IV, line 11	2,353,892.	11	3,470,371.
	13 Investments - program-related. See Part IV, line 11	1,538,430.	12	
	14 Intangible assets		13	
	15 Other assets. See Part IV, line 11	11,492.	14	
16 Total assets. Add lines 1 through 15 (must equal line 34)	4,912,069.	15	0.	
Liabilities	17 Accounts payable and accrued expenses	55,514.	16	4,499,133.
	18 Grants payable		17	108,134.
	19 Deferred revenue	1,233,245.	18	
	20 Tax-exempt bond liabilities		19	1,101,451.
	21 Escrow account liability. Complete Part IV of Schedule D		20	
	22 Payables to current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, highest compensated employees, and disqualified persons. Complete Part II of Schedule L		21	
	23 Secured mortgages and notes payable to unrelated third parties		22	
	24 Unsecured notes and loans payable		23	
	25 Other liabilities. Complete Part X of Schedule D	0.	24	
	26 Total liabilities. Add lines 17 through 25	1,288,759.	25	38,702.
Net Assets or Fund Balances	Organizations that follow SFAS 117, check here ☒ and complete lines 27 through 29, and lines 33 and 34.		26	1,248,287.
	27 Unrestricted net assets	2,781,635.	27	2,514,754.
	28 Temporarily restricted net assets	626,265.	28	534,679.
	29 Permanently restricted net assets	215,410.	29	201,413.
	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	3,623,310.	33	3,250,846.
	34 Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances	4,912,069.	34	4,499,133.

Part XI Financial Statements and Reporting

- 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?
- b Were the organization's financial statements audited by an independent accountant?
- 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?
- 3a As a result of a federal award, was the organization required to undergo an audit or audits as set forth in the Single Audit Act and OMB Circular A-133?
- b If "Yes," did the organization undergo the required audit or audits?

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

SCHEDULE A
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

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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Employer identification number

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

The organization is not a private foundation because it is: (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 the 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 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									

LHA For Privacy Act and Paperwork Reduction Act Notice, see the Instructions for Form 990.

Schedule A (Form 990 or 990-EZ) 2008

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

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 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

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 section 501(c)(3) organization, check this box and stop here ▶ ☐						

Section C. 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 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 ▶ ☐			
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 ▶ ☐			
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 a box on line 13, 16a, 16b, 17a, or 17b, check this box and see instructions ▶ ☐			

Schedule A (Form 990 or 990-EZ) 2008

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.")	460,776.	479,484.	423,865.	554,419.	378,108.	2,296,652.
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	2,512,723.	2,837,980.	2,819,585.	2,808,517.	2,920,492.	13,899,297.
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	2,973,499.	3,317,464.	3,243,450.	3,362,936.	3,298,600.	16,195,949.
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)						16,195,949.

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	2,973,499.	3,317,464.	3,243,450.	3,362,936.	3,298,600.	16,195,949.
10a Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources	136,503.	215,285.	377,104.	434,492.	283,715.	1,447,099.
b Unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 taxes) from businesses acquired after June 30, 1975						
c Add lines 10a and 10b	136,503.	215,285.	377,104.	434,492.	283,715.	1,447,099.
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)		6,072.	4,273.	6,198.	323.	16,866.
13 Total support (Add lines 9, 10c, 11, and 12)						17,659,914.
14 First five years. If the Form 990 is for the organization's first, second, third, fourth, or fifth tax year as a section 501(c)(3) organization, check this box and stop here ▶ ☐						

Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage

15 Public support percentage for 2008 (line 8, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f))	15	91.71	%
16 Public support percentage from 2007 Schedule A, Part IV-A, line 27g	16	94.46	%

Section D. Computation of Investment Income Percentage

17 Investment income percentage for 2008 (line 10c, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f))	17	8.19	%
18 Investment income percentage from 2007 Schedule A, Part IV-A, line 27h	18	5.48	%

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 ▶ ☐

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)

SCHEDULE A, PART III, LINE 12, EXPLANATION FOR OTHER INCOME:

OTHER INCOME FROM VARIOUS SOURCES

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 important 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

	Held at the End of the Year
a Total number of conservation easements	2a
b Total acreage restricted by conservation easements	2b
c Number of conservation easements on a certified historic structure included in (a)	2c
d Number of conservation easements included in (c) acquired after 8/17/06	2d

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 section 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 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 the arrangement in Part XIV and complete the following table

	Amount
1c	
1d	
1e	
1f	

c Beginning balance

d Additions during the year

e Distributions during the year

f Ending balance

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 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	270,813.				
b Contributions	1,003.				
c Investment earnings or losses	-48,106.				
d Grants or scholarships	27,000.				
e Other expenditures for facilities and programs					
f Administrative expenses					
g End of year balance	196,710.				

2 Provide the estimated percentage of the year end balance held as

- a Board designated or quasi-endowment ▶ .00 %
 b Permanent endowment ▶ 100.00 %
 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

(ii) related organizations

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

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

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		12,612.	1,429.	11,183.
d Equipment		265,691.	178,994.	86,697.
e Other				
Total. Add lines 1a-1e. (Column (d) should equal Form 990, Part X, column (B), line 10(c))				97,880.

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Part VII Investments - Other Securities. See Form 990, Part X, line 12

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

Part VIII Investments - Program Related. See Form 990, Part X, line 13

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

Part IX Other Assets. See Form 990, Part X, line 15.

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

Part X Other Liabilities. See Form 990, Part X, line 25

(a) Description of liability	(b) Amount
Federal income taxes	
DUE TO AMERICAN OPTOMETRIC FOUNDATION, INC.	38,702.
Total. (Column (b) should equal Form 990, Part X, col (B) line 25.)	38,702.

In Part XIV, provide the text of the footnote to the organization's financial statements that reports the organization's liability for uncertain tax positions under FIN 48

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	
2	Total expenses (Form 990, Part IX, column (A), line 25)	2	
3	Excess or (deficit) for the year Subtract line 2 from line 1	3	
4	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	4	
5	Donated services and use of facilities	5	
6	Investment expenses	6	
7	Prior period adjustments	7	
8	Other (Describe in Part XIV)	8	
9	Total adjustments (net) Add lines 4-8	9	
10	Excess or (deficit) for the year per financial statements Combine lines 3 and 9	10	

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	
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	
3	Subtract line 2e from line 1	3	
4	Amounts included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, but not on line 1		
a	Investment expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b	4a	
b	Other (Describe in Part XIV)	4b	
c	Add lines 4a and 4b	4c	
5	Total revenue Add lines 3 and 4c. (This should equal Form 990, Part I, line 12)	5	

Part XIII Reconciliation of Expenses per Audited Financial Statements With Expenses per Return

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

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 IV, 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

PART V, LINE 4: THE ACADEMY'S ENDOWMENT FUNDS WERE ESTABLISHED FOR THE PURPOSES OF PROVIDING INCOME TO SUPPORT SPECIFIC ACTIVITIES.

**Schedule F
(Form 990)**Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service**Statement of Activities Outside the United States**▶ Attach to Form 990. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to
Form 990, Part IV, line 14b, line 15, or line 16.

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

1 For grantmakers. Does the organization maintain records to substantiate the amount of the grants or assistance, the grantees' eligibility for the grants or assistance, and the selection criteria used to award the grants or assistance? ☒ Yes ☐ No

2 For grantmakers. Describe in Part IV the organization's procedures for monitoring the use of grant funds outside the United States

3 Activities per Region (Use Schedule F-1 (Form 990) if additional space is needed)

(a) Region	(b) Number of offices in the region	(c) Number of employees or agents in region	(d) Activities conducted in region (by type) (i.e., fundraising, program services, grants to recipients located in the region)	(e) If activity listed in (d) is a program service, describe specific type of service(s) in region	(f) Total expenditures in region
NORTH AMERICA	0	0	GRANT-MAKING		20,500.
AUSTRALIA	0	0	GRANT-MAKING		47,000.
EUROPE	0	0	GRANT-MAKING		5,750.
EAST ASIA	0	0	GRANT-MAKING		750.
Totals					74,000.

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Schedule F (Form 990) 2008

Part III **Grants and Other Assistance to Individuals Outside the United States.** Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 16.
Use Schedule F-1 (Form 990) if additional space is needed.

(a) Type of grant or assistance	(b) Region	(c) Number of recipients	(d) Amount of cash grant	(e) Manner of cash disbursement	(f) Amount of non-cash assistance	(g) Description of non-cash assistance	(h) Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other)
EDUCATION	NORTH AMERICA	14	10,500.	CHECK	0.		
EDUCATION	AUSTRALIA	3	5,000.	CHECK	0.		
EDUCATION	EUROPE	4	5,750.	CHECK	0.		
EDUCATION	EAST ASIA	1	750.	CHECK	0.		

Part IV Supplemental Information

Complete this part to provide the information required by Part I, line 2, and any other additional information.

SCHEDULE F, PART I, LINE 2: THE ACADEMY REQUIRES DOCUMENTATION OF
EXPENSES FOR AMOUNTS GIVEN TO INDIVIDUALS AND EXPENDITURE REPORTS FOR
AMOUNTS GIVEN TO ORGANIZATIONS.

PART II, COLUMN (D):

REGION: AUSTRALIA

(D) PURPOSE OF GRANT: PROVIDING SCHOLARSHIPS FOR STUDENTS PURSUING
DOCTORATE OF OPTOMETRY DEGREES.

SCHEDULE I
(Form 990)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

**Grants and Other Assistance to Organizations,
Governments, and Individuals in the U.S.**

► **Complete if the organization answered "Yes," on Form 990, Part IV, lines 21 or 22.**
► **Attach to Form 990.**

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1 Does the organization maintain records to substantiate the amount of the grants or assistance, the grantees' eligibility for the grants or assistance, and the selection criteria used to award the grants or assistance?

☒ Yes ☐ No

2 Describe in Part IV the organization's procedures for monitoring the use of grant funds in the United States

Part II **Grants and Other Assistance to Governments and Organizations in the United States.** Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 21, for any recipient that received more than \$5,000. Check this box if no one recipient received more than \$5,000. Use Part IV and Schedule I-1 (Form 990) if additional space is needed. ☐

1 (a) Name and address of organization or government	(b) EIN	(c) IRC section if applicable	(d) Amount of cash grant	(e) Amount of non-cash assistance	(f) Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other)	(g) Description of non-cash assistance	(h) Purpose of grant or assistance
AMERICAN OPTOMETRIC FOUNDATION, INC. - 6110 EXECUTIVE BOULEVARD, #506 - ROCKVILLE, MD 20852	43-0768182	501(C)(3)	12,240.	0.			TO SUPPORT THE CHARITABLE PROGRAMS OF THE FOUNDATION
OPTOMETRIC CENTER OF NEW YORK 33 WEST 42ND STREET NEW YORK, NY 10036	14-6013200	501(C)(3)	6,000.	0.			ASSIST DOCTORATE STUDENTS IN FINANCIAL NEED
UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS SOUTHWESTERN MEDICAL CENTER - 5323 HARRY HINES BOULEVARD - DALLAS, TX 75390	75-6002868	501(C)(3)	25,000.	0.			BASIC OR CLINICAL RESEARCH IN SOFT CONTACT LENSES.

2 Enter total number of section 501(c)(3) and government organizations

3 Enter total number of other organizations

3.
0.

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Schedule I (Form 990) 2008

**SCHEDULE M
(Form 990)**

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Internal Revenue Service

NonCash Contributions

► To be completed by organizations that answered
"Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, lines 29 or 30.

► Attach to Form 990.

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Part I Types of Property

	(a) Check if applicable	(b) Number of contributions	(c) Revenues reported on Form 990, Part VIII, line 1g	(d) Method of determining revenues
1 Art - Works of art				
2 Art - Historical treasures				
3 Art - Fractional interests				
4 Books and publications	X		17,388.	PURCHASE PRICE
5 Clothing and household goods	X		28,619.	DONOR ESTIMATE
6 Cars and other vehicles				
7 Boats and planes				
8 Intellectual property				
9 Securities - Publicly traded				
10 Securities - Closely held stock				
11 Securities - Partnership, LLC, or trust interests				
12 Securities - Miscellaneous				
13 Qualified conservation contribution (historic structures)				
14 Qualified conservation contribution (other)				
15 Real estate - Residential				
16 Real estate - Commercial				
17 Real estate - Other				
18 Collectibles				
19 Food inventory				
20 Drugs and medical supplies				
21 Taxidermy				
22 Historical artifacts				
23 Scientific specimens				
24 Archeological artifacts				
25 Other ► ()				
26 Other ► ()				
27 Other ► ()				
28 Other ► ()				

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

29

0

30a During the year, did the organization receive by contribution any property reported in Part I, lines 1-28 that it must hold for
at least three years from the date of the initial contribution, and which is not required to be used for exempt purposes for
the entire holding period?

b If "Yes," describe the arrangement in Part II.

31 Does the organization have a gift acceptance policy that requires the review of any non-standard contributions?

32a Does the organization hire or use third parties or related organizations to solicit, process, or sell noncash
contributions?

b If "Yes," describe in Part II

33 If the organization did not report revenues in column (c) for a type of property for which column (a) is checked,
describe in Part II

	Yes	No
30a		X
31	X	
32a		X
33		

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Schedule M (Form 990) 2008

Part II **Supplemental Information.** Complete this part to provide the information required by Part I, lines 30b, 32b, and 33.
Also complete this part for any additional information

SCHEDULE M, LINE 33: FOLLOWING GENERALLY ACCEPTED ACCOUNTING

PRINCIPLES ("GAAP"), THE ORGANIZATION DID NOT REPORT GROSS

CONTRIBUTIONS OF NON-CASH GOODS RELATED TO A SILENT AUCTION. INSTEAD,

THE ORGANIZATION REPORTED THE CASH RECEIVED UPON SALE OF THE ITEMS AT

THE SILENT AUCTION. ALL OF THE ITEMS SHOWN IN SCHEDULE M ARE SUCH

DONATIONS.

SCHEDULE O
(Form 990)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Supplemental Information to Form 990

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FORM 990, PART III, LINE 4D, OTHER PROGRAM SERVICES:

THE ACADEMY'S SECTIONS ALLOW FOR THE EXCHANGE OF MEDICAL AND SCIENTIFIC
KNOWLEDGE RELATING TO SPECIALTIES WITHIN THE FIELD OF OPTOMETRY
MEMBERSHIP DUES AND APPLICATIONS FEES ARE RECEIVED IN EXCHANGE FOR
MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS.

EXPENSES \$ 34587. INCLUDING GRANTS OF \$ 0. REVENUE \$ 0.

MEMBERSHIP

EXPENSES \$ 298010. INCLUDING GRANTS OF \$ 0. REVENUE \$ 1201882.

COMMITTEES

EXPENSES \$ 142019. INCLUDING GRANTS OF \$ 0. REVENUE \$ 0.

FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION A, LINE 6: THE ACADEMY'S MEMBERSHIP CONSISTS
OF FELLOWS (INCLUDING HONORARY FELLOWS, EMERITUS FELLOWS, AND LIFE
FELLOWS), CANDIDATES FOR FELLOWSHIP, AND STUDENT MEMBERS. THE FELLOWS
CONSTITUTE THE VOTING MEMBERS OF THE ACADEMY.

FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION A, LINE 7A: THE OFFICERS AND AT-LARGE MEMBERS
OF THE ACADEMY'S BOARD OF DIRECTORS ARE ELECTED BY THE VOTING MEMBERS AT
THE ANNUAL MEETING.

FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION A, LINE 7B: AMENDMENTS TO THE ACADEMY'S
GOVERNING DOCUMENTS MUST BE RATIFIED BY A TWO-THIRDS VOTE OF THOSE VOTING
MEMBERS PRESENT, PROVIDED A QUORUM IS PRESENT.

SCHEDULE O
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FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION A, LINE 10: PRIOR TO BEING FILED, THE FORM 990 WAS REVIEWED BY THE FINANCE COMMITTEE AND PRESENTED TO THE FULL BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION B, LINE 12C: THE ORGANIZATION'S CONFLICT OF INTEREST POLICY APPLIES TO ALL BOARD MEMBERS, AND OFFICERS. WHEN A POTENTIAL OR ACTUAL CONFLICT ARISES, THE INDIVIDUAL WITH THE CONFLICT IS REQUIRED TO NOTIFY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE CONFLICT, ABSTAIN FROM ANY DISCUSSION OF THE TRANSACTION, AND ABSTAIN FROM VOTING ON THE TRANSACTION. ALL BOARD MEMBERS AND OFFICERS ARE REQUIRED TO COMPLETE A DISCLOSURE FORM EVERY TWO YEARS.

FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION B, LINE 15: A PERFORMANCE EVALUATION IS CONDUCTED ANNUALLY WITH THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS. A PERFORMANCE EVALUATION IS CONDUCTED BI-ANNUALLY USING A 360-DEGREE EVALUATION BY STAFF, COMMITTEES AND SECTION OFFICERS, AS WELL AS THE BOARD. THE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MAKES A RECOMMENDATION TO THE BOARD, TAKING INTO ACCOUNT A REVIEW OF COMPARABLE SALARIES, PROVIDED IN SALARY SURVEYS OF NOT-FOR-PROFITS. THE BOARD REVIEWS THE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION. THE DECISION/APPROVAL IS DOCUMENTED IN THE MINUTES AND IN THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR CONTRACT. THIS PROCESS LAST OCCURED IN 2008.

THE ACADEMY HAS NO OTHER COMPENSATED OFFICERS OR KEY EMPLOYEES.

FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION C, LINE 19: THE ACADEMY MAKES ITS GOVERNING DOCUMENTS, CONFLICT OF INTEREST POLICY, AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AVAILABLE

SCHEDULE O
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TO THE PUBLIC UPON REQUEST.

FORM 990, PART IV, LINE 12 AND FORM 990, PART XI, LINE 2B

FINANCIAL STATEMENT AUDIT BY AN INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANT

PER THE IRS INSTRUCTIONS, PART XI, LINE 2B IS CHECKED "NO" BECAUSE THE ORGANIZATION'S FINANCIAL STATEMENTS WERE AUDITED ON A CONSOLIDATED BASIS. THE ORGANIZATION DOES HAVE A COMMITTEE THAT ASSUMES RESPONSIBILITY FOR OVERSIGHT OF THE AUDIT OF ITS FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND THE SELECTION OF AN INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANT.

PER THE IRS INSTRUCTIONS, THE AMERICAN ACADEMY OF OPTOMETRY IS ANSWERING "NO" TO FORM 990, PART IV, LINE 12 AND TO FORM 990, PART XI, LINE 2B BECAUSE ITS FINANCIAL STATEMENTS WERE AUDITED ON A CONSOLIDATED BASIS, RATHER THAN ON A STAND-ALONE BASIS. THE ORGANIZATION DID PREPARE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS IN ACCORDANCE WITH GENERALLY ACCEPTED ACCOUNTING PRINCIPLES ("GAAP") FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2009, AND THOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS WERE AUDITED, ON A CONSOLIDATED BASIS, BY AN INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTING FIRM. GAAP REQUIRES THAT THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS BE PREPARED ON A CONSOLIDATED BASIS BECAUSE OF CLOSE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE AMERICAN ACADEMY OF OPTOMETRY AND THE AMERICAN OPTOMETRIC FOUNDATION, ITS RELATED ORGANIZATION. THE AMERICAN ACADEMY OF OPTOMETRY DOES HAVE A COMMITTEE THAT ASSUMES RESPONSIBILITY FOR OVERSIGHT OF THE AUDIT OF ITS FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND THE SELECTION OF AN INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANT.

FORM 990, PART XI, LINE 2

SCHEDULE O
(Form 990)

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Internal Revenue Service

Supplemental Information to Form 990

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OVERSIGHT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENT AUDIT

THE ACADEMY'S PROCESS BY WHICH IT OVERSEES THE AUDIT OF ITS FINANCIAL STATEMENTS HAS NOT CHANGED SINCE THE PRIOR YEAR.

FORM 990, PART VII, SECTION A

ALLOCATION OF TIME BETWEEN RELATED ORGANIZATIONS

LOIS SCHOENBRUN IS THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF AMERICAN ACADEMY OF OPTOMETRY AND OF AMERICAN OPTOMETRIC FOUNDATION, A RELATED ORGANIZATION. HER AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS SPENT WORKING FOR EACH ORGANIZATION ARE:

AMERICAN ACADEMY OF OPTOMETRY - 31 HOURS PER WEEK

AMERICAN OPTOMETRIC FOUNDATION - 4 HOURS PER WEEK

SCHEDULE R
(Form 990)Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service**Related Organizations and Unrelated Partnerships**▶ Attach to Form 990. To be completed by organizations that answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, lines 33, 34, 35, 36, or 37.
▶ See separate instructions.

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Name of the organization

Employer identification number
41-1227642**AMERICAN ACADEMY OF OPTOMETRY****Part I** Identification of Disregarded Entities

(A) Name, address, and EIN of disregarded entity	(B) Primary activity	(C) Legal domicile (state or foreign country)	(D) Total income	(E) End-of-year assets	(F) Direct controlling entity

Part II Identification of Related Tax-Exempt Organizations

(A) Name, address, and EIN of related organization	(B) Primary activity	(C) Legal domicile (state or foreign country)	(D) Exempt Code section	(E) Public charity status (if section 501(c)(3))	(F) Direct controlling entity
AMERICAN OPTOMETRIC FOUNDATION, INC. - 43-0768182, 6110 EXECUTIVE BOULEVARD, #506, ROCKVILLE, MD 20852	FUNDRAISING TO SUPPORT OPTOMETRIC RESEARCH & EDUCATION	DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA	501(C)(3)	11 - TYPE I N/A	

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Schedule R (Form 990) 2008

Part V Transactions With Related Organizations**Note.** Complete line 1 if any entity is listed in Parts II, III, or IV.**1** During the tax year, did the organization engage in any of the following transactions with one or more related organizations listed in Parts II-IV?

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

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

(A) Name of other organization(s)	(B) Transaction type (a-r)	(C) Amount involved
(1) AMERICAN OPTOMETRIC FOUNDATION, INC.	N	97,912.
(2)		
(3)		
(4)		
(5)		
(6)		

- If you are filing for an **Additional (Not Automatic) 3-Month Extension**, complete only **Part II** and check this box ☒ **X**

Note. Only complete Part II if you have already been granted an automatic 3-month extension on a previously filed Form 8868.

- If you are filing for an **Automatic 3-Month Extension**, complete only **Part I** (on page 1).

Part II Additional (Not Automatic) 3-Month Extension of Time. Only file the original (no copies needed).

Type or print File by the extended due date for filing the return. See instructions.	Name of Exempt Organization	Employer identification number
	AMERICAN ACADEMY OF OPTOMETRY	41-1227642
	Number, street, and room or suite no. If a P.O. box, see instructions. 6110 EXECUTIVE BLVD, NO. 506	For IRS use only
	City, town or post office, state, and ZIP code. For a foreign address, see instructions. ROCKVILLE, MD 20852	

Check type of return to be filed (File a separate application for each return):

- ☒ Form 990
 ☐ Form 990-EZ
 ☐ Form 990-T (sec. 401(a) or 408(a) trust)
 ☐ Form 1041-A
 ☐ Form 5227
 ☐ Form 8870
☐ Form 990-BL
☐ Form 990-PF
☐ Form 990-T (trust other than above)
☐ Form 4720
☐ Form 6069

STOP! Do not complete Part II if you were not already granted an automatic 3-month extension on a previously filed Form 8868.

THE ORGANIZATION

- The books are in the care of **6110 EXECUTIVE BLVD, NO. 506 - ROCKVILLE, MD 20852**

Telephone No. **301-984-1441**

FAX No.

- If the organization does not have an office or place of business in the United States, check this box ☐

- If this is for a Group Return, enter the organization's four digit Group Exemption Number (GEN) . If this is for the whole group, check this box ☐. If it is for part of the group, check this box ☐ and attach a list with the names and EINs of all members the extension is for.

- 4 I request an additional 3-month extension of time until **MAY 15, 2010**
- 5 For calendar year , or other tax year beginning **JUL 1, 2008**, and ending **JUN 30, 2009**
- 6 If this tax year is for less than 12 months, check reason: ☐ Initial return ☐ Final return ☐ Change in accounting period

- 7 State in detail why you need the extension

ADDITIONAL TIME IS NEEDED IN ORDER TO COMPILE THE INFORMATION REQUIRED TO PREPARE A COMPLETE AND ACCURATE RETURN

8a If this application is for Form 990-BL, 990-PF, 990-T, 4720, or 6069, enter the tentative tax, less any nonrefundable credits. See instructions.	8a	\$
b If this application is for Form 990-PF, 990-T, 4720, or 6069, enter any refundable credits and estimated tax payments made. Include any prior year overpayment allowed as a credit and any amount paid previously with Form 8868	8b	\$
c Balance Due. Subtract line 8b from line 8a. Include your payment with this form, or, if required, deposit with FTD coupon or, if required, by using EFTPS (Electronic Federal Tax Payment System). See instructions.	8c	\$ N/A

Signature and Verification

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined this form, including accompanying schedules and statements, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete, and that I am authorized to prepare this form.

Signature **Angel Ngando** Title **Enrolled Agent** Date **2-12-2010**

**Application for Extension of Time To File an
Exempt Organization Return**

OMB No 1545-1709

▶ **File a separate application for each return.**

- If you are filing for an **Automatic 3-Month Extension**, complete only **Part I** and check this box ▶ ☒
- If you are filing for an **Additional (Not Automatic) 3-Month Extension**, complete only **Part II** (on page 2 of this form)

Do not complete Part II unless you have already been granted an automatic 3-month extension on a previously filed Form 8868**Part I Automatic 3-Month Extension of Time.** Only submit original (no copies needed).A corporation required to file Form 990-T and requesting an automatic 6-month extension - check this box and complete Part I only ▶ ☐*All other corporations (including 1120-C filers), partnerships, REMICs, and trusts must use Form 7004 to request an extension of time to file income tax returns***Electronic Filing (e-file).** Generally, you can electronically file Form 8868 if you want a 3-month automatic extension of time to file one of the returns noted below (6 months for a corporation required to file Form 990-T). However, you cannot file Form 8868 electronically if (1) you want the additional (not automatic) 3-month extension or (2) you file Forms 990-BL, 6069, or 8870, group returns, or a composite or consolidated Form 990-T. Instead, you must submit the fully completed and signed page 2 (Part II) of Form 8868. For more details on the electronic filing of this form, visit www.irs.gov/efile and click on *e-file for Charities & Nonprofits*

Type or print	Name of Exempt Organization AMERICAN ACADEMY OF OPTOMETRY	Employer identification number 41-1227642
File by the due date for filing your return. See instructions	Number, street, and room or suite no. If a P.O. box, see instructions 6110 EXECUTIVE BLVD, NO. 506	
	City, town or post office, state, and ZIP code. For a foreign address, see instructions ROCKVILLE, MD 20852	

Check type of return to be filed (file a separate application for each return)

- | | | |
|--|---|------------------------------------|
| ☒ Form 990 | ☐ Form 990-T (corporation) | ☐ Form 4720 |
| ☐ Form 990-BL | ☐ Form 990-T (sec. 401(a) or 408(a) trust) | ☐ Form 5227 |
| ☐ Form 990-EZ | ☐ Form 990-T (trust other than above) | ☐ Form 6069 |
| ☐ Form 990-PF | ☐ Form 1041-A | ☐ Form 8870 |

THE ORGANIZATION

- The books are in the care of ▶ **6110 EXECUTIVE BLVD, NO. 506 - ROCKVILLE, MD 20852**
Telephone No ▶ **301-984-1441** FAX No. ▶ _____

- If the organization does not have an office or place of business in the United States, check this box ▶ ☐
- If this is for a Group Return, enter the organization's four digit Group Exemption Number (GEN) _____. If this is for the whole group, check this box ▶ ☐. If it is for part of the group, check this box ▶ ☐ and attach a list with the names and EINs of all members the extension will cover

- 1 I request an automatic 3-month (6-months for a corporation required to file Form 990-T) extension of time until **FEBRUARY 15, 2010**, to file the exempt organization return for the organization named above. The extension is for the organization's return for
- ▶ ☐ calendar year _____ or
- ▶ ☒ tax year beginning **JUL 1, 2008**, and ending **JUN 30, 2009**.

- 2 If this tax year is for less than 12 months, check reason ☐ Initial return ☐ Final return ☐ Change in accounting period

3a If this application is for Form 990-BL, 990-PF, 990-T, 4720, or 6069, enter the tentative tax, less any nonrefundable credits. See instructions	3a	\$	
b If this application is for Form 990-PF or 990-T, enter any refundable credits and estimated tax payments made. Include any prior year overpayment allowed as a credit.	3b	\$	
c Balance Due. Subtract line 3b from line 3a. Include your payment with this form, or, if required, deposit with FTD coupon or, if required, by using EFTPS (Electronic Federal Tax Payment System). See instructions	3c	\$	N/A

Caution. If you are going to make an electronic fund withdrawal with this Form 8868, see Form 8453-EO and Form 8879-EO for payment instructions**LHA For Privacy Act and Paperwork Reduction Act Notice, see Instructions.**Form **8868** (Rev. 4-2009)