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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 $500,000 and total assets less than $1,250,000 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

2009

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A For the 2009 calendar year, or tax year beginning , 2009, and ending , 20

B Check if applicable:
- ☐ Address change
- ☐ Name change
- ☐ Initial return
- ☐ Terminated
- ☐ Amended return
- ☐ Application pending

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

C Name of organization
VEILED PROPHET FOUNDATION

Number and street (or P.O. box, if mail is not delivered to street address) | Room/suite
301 PROSPECT AVENUE

City or town, state or country, and ZIP + 4
SAINT LOUIS, MISSOURI 63110-1215

D Employer identification number
20-0008046

E Telephone number
314-533-5001

F Group Exemption Number ▶

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

G Accounting Method: ☑ Cash ☐ Accrual
Other (specify) ▶

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

I **Website:** ▶

J **Tax-exempt status** (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 Form 990-EZ or Form 990 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 $500,000 or more, file Form 990 instead of Form 990-EZ ▶ $

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		1	55,553.00
	2	Program service revenue including government fees and contracts		2	
	3	Membership dues and assessments		3	
	4	Investment income		4	
	5a	Gross amount from sale of assets other than inventory	5a		
	b	Less: cost or other basis and sales expenses	5b		
	c	Gain or (loss) from sale of assets other than inventory (Subtract line 5b from line 5a)		5c	
	6	Special events and activities (complete applicable parts of Schedule G). If any amount is from gaming, check here ▶ ☐			
	a	Gross revenue (not including $ _____ of contributions reported on line 1)	6a	25,350.00	
	b	Less: direct expenses other than fundraising expenses	6b	24,266.66	
	c	Net income or (loss) from special events and activities (Subtract line 6b from line 6a)		6c	1,083.34
	7a	Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances	7a		
	b	Less: cost of goods sold	7b		
	c	Gross profit or (loss) from sales of inventory (Subtract line 7b from line 7a)		7c	
	8	Other revenue (describe ▶ _____)		8	
	9	**Total revenue.** Add lines 1, 2, 3, 4, 5c, 6c, 7c, and 8 ▶		9	56,636.34
Expenses	10	Grants and similar amounts paid (attach schedule)		10	18,052.04
	11	Benefits paid to or for members		11	
	12	Salaries, other compensation, and employee benefits		12	11,532.36
	13	Professional fees and other payments to independent contractors		13	
	14	Occupancy, rent, utilities, and maintenance		14	
	15	Printing, publications, postage, and shipping		15	
	16	Other expenses (describe ▶ See Attached)		16	18,067.18
	17	**Total expenses.** Add lines 10 through 16 ▶		17	47,651.58
Net Assets	18	Excess or (deficit) for the year (Subtract line 17 from line 9)		18	8,984.76
	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)		19	22,689.76
	20	Other changes in net assets or fund balances (attach explanation)		20	
	21	Net assets or fund balances at end of year. Combine lines 18 through 20 ▶		21	31,674.52

Part II **Balance Sheets.** If Total assets on line 25, column (B) are $1,250,000 or more, file Form 990 instead of Form 990-EZ.

	(See the instructions for Part II.)	(A) Beginning of year		(B) End of year
22	Cash, savings, and investments	22,689.76	22	31,674.52
23	Land and buildings		23	
24	Other assets (describe ▶ _____)		24	
25	**Total assets**	22,689.76	25	31,674.52
26	**Total liabilities** (describe ▶ _____)		26	
27	**Net assets or fund balances** (line 27 of column (B) must agree with line 21)	22,689.76	27	31,674.52

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Part III Statement of Program Service Accomplishments (See the instructions for Part III.)

What is the organization's primary exempt purpose? See Attached

Describe what was achieved in carrying out the organization's exempt purposes. In a clear and concise manner, describe the services provided, the number of persons benefited, and other relevant information for each program title.

		Expenses (Required for section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations and section 4947(a)(1) trusts, optional for others.)	
28	St. Louis Public Schools - School Refurbishment Program - painting of classroom, landscaping, etc.		
	(Grants $) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here ▶ ☐	28a	17,759.73
29	City of St. Louis - Operation Brightside - a city beautification program		
	(Grants $) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here ▶ ☐	29a	11,839.81
30	St. Louis Area Boy Scouts of America - construction of boating dock at extended stay camp		
	(Grants $ 18,052.04) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here ▶ ☐	30a	18,052.04
31	Other program services (attach schedule)		
	(Grants $) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here ▶ ☐	31a	
32	**Total program service expenses** (add lines 28a through 31a) ▶	32	47,651.58

Part IV List of Officers, Directors, Trustees, and Key Employees. List each one even if not compensated. (See the instructions for Part IV.)

(a) Name and address	(b) Title and average hours per week devoted to position	(c) Compensation (If not paid, enter -0-.)	(d) Contributions to employee benefit plans & deferred compensation	(e) Expense account and other allowances
Stephen C. Jones 918 Terrill Farms Road - St. Louis, MO 63124	Chairman/President - nil	0	0	0
Jack E. Thomas 14 Upper Ladue Road - St. Louis, MO 63124	Vice President - nil	0	0	0
William (Steve) Maritz 19 Sunningdale Drive - St. Louis, MO 63124	Secretary/Treasurer - nil	0	0	0
James D. Eckhoff 424 Steeplechase Lane - St. Louis MO 63131	Administrator - .5	0	0	0

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

			Yes	No
33	Did the organization engage in any activity not previously reported to the IRS? If "Yes," attach a detailed description of each activity	33		✓
34	Were any changes made to the organizing or governing documents? 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 why the organization did not report the income on Form 990-T.			
a	Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of $1,000 or more or was it subject to section 6033(e) notice, reporting, and proxy tax requirements?	35a		✓
b	If "Yes," has it filed a tax return on **Form 990-T** for this year?	35b		
36	Did the organization undergo a liquidation, dissolution, termination, or significant disposition of net assets 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			
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 outstanding at the end of the period covered by this return?	38a		✓
b	If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part II and enter the total amount involved 38b			
39	Section 501(c)(7) organizations. Enter:			
a	Initiation fees and capital contributions included on line 9 39a			
b	Gross receipts, included on line 9, for public use of club facilities 39b			
40a	Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Enter amount of tax imposed on the organization during the year under: section 4911 ▶ _____ ; section 4912 ▶ _____ ; section 4955 ▶ _____			
b	Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations. Did the organization engage in any section 4958 excess benefit transaction during the year or is it aware that it engaged in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person in a prior year, and that the transaction has not been reported on any of the organization's prior Forms 990 or 990-EZ? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I	40b		✓
c	Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations. Enter amount of tax imposed on organization managers or disqualified persons during the year under sections 4912, 4955, and 4958 ▶ _____			
d	Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations. Enter amount of tax on line 40c reimbursed by the organization ▶ _____			
e	All organizations. At any time during the tax year, was the organization a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction? If "Yes," complete Form 8886-T.	40e		✓

41 List the states with which a copy of this return is filed. ▶ _____

42a The organization's books are in care of ▶ James D. Eckhoff Telephone no. ▶ 314-997-4027

Located at ▶ 301 Prospect Avenue - St. Louis, Missouri ZIP + 4 ▶ 63110-1215

			Yes	No
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: ▶ _____ 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: ▶ _____			
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			

			Yes	No
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 and section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts only.** All section 501(c)(3) organizations and section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts must answer questions 46–49b and complete the tables for lines 50 and 51.

			Yes	No
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	46		✓
47	Did the organization engage in lobbying activities? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part II	47		✓
48	Is the organization a school as described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? If "Yes," complete Schedule E	48		✓
49a	Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization?	49a		✓
b	If "Yes," was the related organization a section 527 organization?	49b		

50 Complete this table for the organization's 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				

f Total number of other employees paid over $100,000 . . . . ▶

51 Complete this table for the organization's 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		

d Total number of other independent contractors each receiving over $100,000 . . ▶

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 — Date: 3/31/10

▶ James D. Eckhoff, Administrator
Type or print name and title

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Preparer's signature ▶	Date	Check if self-employed ▶ ☐	Preparer's identifying number (See instructions)
Firm's name (or yours if self-employed), address, and ZIP + 4 ▶		EIN ▶	
		Phone no. ▶	

May the IRS discuss this return with the preparer shown above? See instructions . . . . . ▶ ☐ Yes ☐ No

SCHEDULE A (Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Public Charity Status and Public Support

Complete if the organization is a section 501(c)(3) organization or a section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust.

▶ **Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ.** ▶ **See separate instructions.**

OMB No 1545-0047

2009

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Name of the organization	Employer identification number
VEILED PROPHET FOUNDATION	20 : 0008046

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

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

1 ☐ A church, convention of churches, or association of churches described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(i).**

2 ☐ A school described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii).** (Attach Schedule E.)

3 ☐ A hospital or a cooperative hospital service organization described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii).**

4 ☐ A medical research organization operated in conjunction with a hospital described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii).** Enter the hospital's name, city, and state: _____

5 ☐ An organization operated for the benefit of a college or university owned or operated by a governmental unit described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iv).** (Complete Part II.)

6 ☐ A federal, state, or local government or governmental unit described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(v).**

7 ☑ An organization that normally receives a substantial part of its support from a governmental unit or from the general public described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi).** (Complete Part II.)

8 ☐ A community trust described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi).** (Complete Part II.)

9 ☐ An organization that normally receives: (1) more than 33⅓ % 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 33⅓ % of its support from gross investment income and unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 tax) from businesses acquired by the organization after June 30, 1975. See **section 509(a)(2).** (Complete Part III.)

10 ☐ An organization organized and operated exclusively to test for public safety. See **section 509(a)(4).**

11 ☐ An organization organized and operated exclusively for the benefit of, to perform the functions of, or to carry out the purposes of one or more publicly supported organizations described in section 509(a)(1) or section 509(a)(2). See **section 509(a)(3).** Check the box 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?

	Yes	No
(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? 11g(i)		✓
(ii) A family member of a person described in (i) above? 11g(ii)		✓
(iii) A 35% controlled entity of a person described in (i) or (ii) above? 11g(iii)		✓

h Provide the following information about the supported organization(s).

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

Part II **Support Schedule for Organizations Described in 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) 2005	(b) 2006	(c) 2007	(d) 2008	(e) 2009	(f) Total
1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received. (Do not include any "unusual grants.")	87,816	96,225	38,775	44,237	80,903	347,956
2 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf						
3 The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge						
4 **Total.** Add lines 1 through 3	87,816	96,225	38,775	44,237	80,903	347,956
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.						347,956

Section B. Total Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ▶	(a) 2005	(b) 2006	(c) 2007	(d) 2008	(e) 2009	(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	87,816	96,225	38,775	44,237	80,903	347,956
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						347,956

12 Gross receipts from related activities, etc. (see instructions)	12	0

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 2009 (line 6, column (f) divided by line 11, column (f))	14	100.00 %
15 Public support percentage from 2008 Schedule A, Part II, line 14	15	100.00 %

16a **33⅓% support test—2009.** If the organization did not check the box on line 13, and line 14 is 33⅓% or more, check this box and **stop here.** The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization ▶ ☑

b **33⅓% support test—2008.** If the organization did not check a box on line 13 or 16a, and line 15 is 33⅓% or more, check this box and **stop here.** The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization ▶ ☐

17a **10%-facts-and-circumstances test—2009.** 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—2008.** 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 ▶ ☐

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20-0008046
Part I - Line 16

Other Expenses	
Miscellaneous	120 00
Artwork	455 79
Tee Shirts	321.49
Rentals	898.40
Bank Service Charges	129.20
Food & Beverge	1,373.24
Materials & Supplies	14,084.33
Photography	679.73
Supplies	5.00
Total Other Expense	18,067.18

VEILED PROPHET FOUNDATION
EIN: 20-0008046

Form 990-EZ
Part III

As way of background, over the past several years, the population of the City of St. Louis ("City") has consistently declined. In 1990, the population was 396,685; by 1999, it declined by 12.3%, with further drops experienced over the past five years. As one might expect, the following observations have been made in connection with these population declines:

a. Former residents of the City have left for more outlying areas, namely St. Louis County and St. Charles County.

b. The number of employees working in the City has declined significantly.

c. The office vacancy rate for the City is significant.

The Foundation has been established to assist in the revitalization and betterment of the City by engaging in charitable and educational activities which will in turn benefit the entire St. Louis Metropolitan area. The Foundation will accomplish these goals through the following activities:

a. Conduct community outreach programs to encourage City resident involvement by providing assistance to less fortunate members of the community.

b. Provide funding for projects promoting growth and improvement of the City.

c. There are numerous municipalities and four primary county governments within the St. Louis Metropolitan area, but Foundation creators believe at times there is a lack of cooperation among the local governments in solving the region's problems. For example, East St. Louis is often referred to as an economically distressed city, whereas St. Louis County is generally recognized as more economically successful, characterized by beautiful neighborhoods, gleaming office buildings, and an abundance of business activity. The Foundation hopes to assist these local governments in working together to achieve goals which benefit the entire metropolitan area, by initially focusing on the City which is the region's economic and social core. The Foundation will organize programs where executives from the local governments will engage in meaningful dialogue that will hopefully bridge the gap between the various governments.

    1. The revival of the City will promote unity and interaction among the residents of all counties in the St. Louis Metropolitan area by providing a common place for everyone to engage in social and cultural activities.

2. The restoration of the City will preserve historic architecture and cultural offerings, create new residential neighborhoods, and encourage the creation of programs to promote public safety, such as neighborhood watch groups.

d. Educate the community about the history of St. Louis through the promotion of events which attract attention to items and persons of historical significance.

The Foundation initially has focused its revitalization efforts by sponsoring a Habitat for Humanity Project in the City ("Project"). In addition to organizing the volunteers to construct the Project house sponsored by the Foundation, the Foundation has made financial contributions to the Project.

The Foundation will also promote additional service projects to residents of the St. Louis Metropolitan area in the hope that members of the community will devote their time as well as financial resources to these worthy causes. The Foundation may support, sponsor or produce other activities and events in the St. Louis community which promote revitalization of the City, goodwill and cooperation among civic and community leaders, as well as providing community engagement activities.