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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*

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

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
Rural Education Action Project
15 Barre Street
Montpelier, VT 05602

D Employer identification number
22-3045871

E Telephone number
(802) 223-7222

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) ►

I Website: ► www.ruralvermont.org

J Tax-exempt status (check only one) – ☒ 501(c) (3) ◄ (insert no) ☐ 4947(a)(1) or ☐ 527

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

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 ► $ 194,477.

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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	143,681.
	2	Program service revenue including government fees and contracts		2	
	3	Membership dues and assessments		3	46,538.
	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 ln 5b from ln 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		
	b	Less direct expenses other than fundraising expenses	6b		
	c	Net income or (loss) from special events and activities (Subtract line 6b from line 6a)		6c	
	7a	Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances	7a	3,626.	
	b	Less cost of goods sold	7b		
	c	Gross profit or (loss) from sales of inventory (Subtract line 7b from line 7a)		7c	3,626.
	8	Other revenue (describe ► See Statement 1)		8	632.
	9	**Total revenue.** Add lines 1, 2, 3, 4, 5c, 6c, 7c, and 8 ►		9	194,477.
EXPENSES	10	Grants and similar amounts paid (attach schedule)		10	
	11	Benefits paid to or for members		11	
	12	Salaries, other compensation, and employee benefits		12	131,315.
	13	Professional fees and other payments to independent contractors		13	4,435.
	14	Occupancy, rent, utilities, and maintenance		14	12,761.
	15	Printing, publications, postage, and shipping		15	11,137.
	16	Other expenses (describe ► See Statement 2)		16	33,710.
	17	**Total expenses.** Add lines 10 through 16 ►		17	193,358.
NET ASSETS	18	Excess or (deficit) for the year (Subtract line 17 from line 9)		18	1,119.
	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	6,233.
	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	7,352.

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	9,234.	22	9,601.
23	Land and buildings		23	
24	Other assets (describe ►)		24	
25	**Total assets**	9,234.	25	9,601.
26	**Total liabilities** (describe ► See Statement 3)	3,001.	26	2,249.
27	**Net assets or fund balances** (line 27 of column (B) **must** agree with line 21)	6,233.	27	7,352.

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

What is the organization's primary exempt purpose? Promote education on rural issues.

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, or other relevant information for each program title

Expenses (Required for section 501(c)(3) and (4) organizations and section 4947(a)(1) trusts; optional for others.)

28 See Statement 4

(Grants $) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here ► ☐ 28a 88,320.

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(Grants $) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here ► ☐ 29a

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(Grants $) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here ► ☐ 30a

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 88,320.

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

(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 and deferred compensation	(e) Expense account and other allowances
See Statement 5		46,107.	0.	0.

Part V **Other Information** (Note the statement requirements in the instrs for Part V.) See Statement 6

			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		X
34	Were any changes made to the organizing or governing documents? If 'Yes,' attach a conformed copy of the changes	34		X
35	If the organization had income from business activities, such as those reported on lines 2, 6a, and 7a (among others), but not reported on Form 990-T, attach a statement explaining why the organization did not report the income on Form 990-T See Statement 7			
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		X
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		X
37a	Enter amount of political expenditures, direct or indirect, as described in the instructions ► 37a 0.			
b	Did the organization file **Form 1120-POL** for this year?	37b		X
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		X
b	If 'Yes,' complete Schedule L, Part II and enter the total amount involved 38b N/A			
39	Section 501(c)(7) organizations Enter:			
a	Initiation fees and capital contributions included on line 9 39a N/A			
b	Gross receipts, included on line 9, for public use of club facilities 39b N/A			
40a	Section 501(c)(3) organizations Enter amount of tax imposed on the organization during the year under section 4911 ► 0., section 4912 ► 0., section 4955 ► 0.			
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		X
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 ► 0.			
d	Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations Enter amount of tax on line 40c reimbursed by the organization ► 0.			
e	All organizations. At any time during the tax year, was the organization a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction? If 'Yes,' complete Form 8886-T	40e		X
41	List the states with which a copy of this return is filed ► None			

42a The organization's books are in care of ► Diana Jones Telephone no. ► (802) 878-0990

Located at ► 12 Steeplebush Road Essex Junction VT ZIP + 4 ► 05452

			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)? If 'Yes,' enter the name of the foreign country. ►	42b		X
	See the instructions for exceptions and filing requirements for **Form TD F 90-22.1, Report of a Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts.**			
c	At any time during the calendar year, did the organization maintain an office outside of the U.S.? If 'Yes,' enter the name of the foreign country. ►	42c		X

43	Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts filing Form 990-EZ in lieu of **Form 1041** – Check here ► ☐ N/A and enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the tax year ► 43 N/A			
			Yes	No
44	Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds? If 'Yes,' Form 990 must be completed instead of Form 990-EZ	44		X
45	Is any related organization a controlled entity of the organization within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? If 'Yes,' Form 990 must be completed instead of Form 990-EZ	45		X

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		X
47	Did the organization engage in lobbying activities? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule C, Part II	X	
48	Is the organization a school as described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule E		X
49a	Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization?		X
b	If 'Yes,' was the related organization a section 527 organization?		

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 and 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 ►

Sign Here

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined this return, including accompanying schedules and statements, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete Declaration of preparer (other than officer) is based on all information of which preparer has any knowledge

► Signature of officer Date September 27, 2010

► Type or print name and title Lisa E. McCrory, Treasurer

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Preparer's signature ►	Kimberly M. Pinkham, CPA, CFP®	Date 9-23-10	Check if self-employed ► X	Preparer's Identifying Number (See instructions) N/A
Firm's name (or yours if self-employed), address, and ZIP + 4 ►	Grippin, Donlan & Roche, PLC 3 Baldwin Avenue South Burlington, VT 05403		EIN ► N/A Phone no ► (802) 846-2000	

May the IRS discuss this return with the preparer shown above? See instructions ► X 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.**

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Name of the organization	Employer identification number
Rural Education Action Project	22-3045871

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 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 33-1/3 % of its support from contributions, membership fees, and gross receipts from activities related to its exempt functions – subject to certain exceptions, and (2) no more than 33-1/3 % of its support from gross investment income and unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 tax) from businesses acquired by the organization after June 30, 1975 See **section 509(a)(2).** (Complete Part III)

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

11 ☐ An organization organized and operated exclusively for the benefit of, to perform the functions of, or 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 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 organizations

(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? Yes	(iv) No	(v) Did you notify the organization in col (i) of your support? Yes	(v) No	(vi) Is the organization in col (i) organized in the U S ? Yes	(vi) No	(vii) Amount of Support
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 'unusual grants ')	444,911.	307,996.	168,267.	195,836.	190,219.	1,307,229.
2 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to it or expended on its behalf						0.
3 The value of services or facilities furnished to the organization by a governmental unit without charge. Do not include the value of services or facilities generally furnished to the public without charge						0.
4 **Total.** Add lines 1-through 3	444,911.	307,996.	168,267.	195,836.	190,219.	1,307,229.
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)						536,606.
6 **Public support.** Subtract line 5 from line 4						770,623.

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	444,911.	307,996.	168,267.	195,836.	190,219.	1,307,229.
8 Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income form similar sources	64.	4,935.	1,703.	805.		7,507.
9 Net income from unrelated business activities, whether or not the business is regularly carried on						0.
10 Other income Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part IV) See Part IV	6,820.	7,454.	4,194.	4,644.	4,258.	27,370.
11 **Total support.** Add lines 7 through 10						1,342,106.
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	57.4 %
15 Public support percentage from 2008 Schedule A, Part II, line 14	15	59.7 %

16a **33-1/3 support test – 2009.** If the organization did not check the box on line 13, and the 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 – 2008.** 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 – 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 ► ☐

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 yr 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 'unusual grants ')						
2 Gross receipts from admissions, merchandise sold or services performed, or facilities furnished in a activity that is related to the organization's tax-exempt purpose						
3 Gross receipts from activities that are not an unrelated trade or business under section 513						
4 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf						
5 The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge						
6 **Total.** Add lines 1 through 5						
7a Amounts included on lines 1, 2, 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 amount on line 13 for the year						
c Add lines 7a and 7b						
8 **Public support** (Subtract line 7c from line 6)						

Section B. Total Support

Calendar year (or fiscal yr beginning in) ►	(a) 2005	(b) 2006	(c) 2007	(d) 2008	(e) 2009	(f) Total
9 Amounts from line 6						
10a Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income form similar sources						
b Unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 taxes) from businesses acquired after June 30, 1975						
c Add lines 10a and 10b						
11 Net income from unrelated business activities not included inline 10b, whether or not the business is regularly carried on						
12 Other income Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part IV.)						
13 **Total support.** (add lns 9, 10c, 11, and 12)						

14 **First five years.** If the Form 990 is for the organization's first, second, third, fourth, or fifth tax year as a section 501(c)(3) organization, check this box and stop here ► ☐

Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage

15 Public support percentage for 2009 (line 8, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f))	15	%
16 Public support percentage from 2008 Schedule A, Part III, line 15	16	%

Section D. Computation of Investment Income Percentage

17 Investment income percentage for **2009** (line 10c, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f))	17	%
18 Investment income percentage from **2008** Schedule A, Part III, line 17	18	%

19a **33-1/3 support tests – 2009.** 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 – 2008.** If the organization did not check a box on line 14 or 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 explanations required by Part II, line 10; Part II, line 17a or 17b; and Part III, line 12. Provide any other additional information. See instructions.

Additional Explanation of Other Income

Other income consists of inventory sales of items substantially related to the organization's exempt purpose and other income.

SCHEDULE C (Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Political Campaign and Lobbying Activities

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

► **Complete if the organization is described below.**

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Name of organization	Employer identification number
Rural Education Action Project	22-3045871

Part I-A Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c) or is a section 527 organization.

1 Provide a description of the organization's direct and indirect political campaign activities in Part IV

2 Political expenditures ► $

3 Volunteer hours

Part I-B Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(3).

1 Enter the amount of any excise tax incurred by the organization under section 4955 ► $ 0.

2 Enter the amount of any excise tax incurred by organization managers under section 4955 ► $ 0.

3 If the organization incurred a section 4955 tax, did it file Form 4720 for this year? ☐ Yes ☐ No

4a Was a correction made? ☐ Yes ☐ No

b If 'Yes,' describe in Part IV

Part I-C Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c), except section 501(c)(3).

1 Enter the amount directly expended by the filing organization for section 527 exempt function activities ► $

2 Enter the amount of the filing organization's funds contributed to other organizations for section 527 exempt function activities ► $

3 Total of exempt function expenditures Add lines 1 and 2 Enter here and on Form 1120-POL, line 17b ► $

4 Did the filing organization file **Form 1120-POL** for this year? ☐ Yes ☐ No

5 Enter the names, addresses and employer identification number (EIN) of all section 527 political organizations to which payments were made For each organization listed, enter the amount paid from the filing organization's funds Also enter the amount of political contributions received that were promptly and directly delivered to a separate political organization, such as a separate segregated fund or a political action committee (PAC). If additional space is needed, provide information in Part IV.

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

Part II-A **Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(3) and filed Form 5768 (election under section 501(h)).**

A Check ► ☐ if the filing organization belongs to an affiliated group

B Check ► ☐ if the filing organization checked box A and 'limited control' provisions apply

Limits on Lobbying Expenditures — (The term 'expenditures' means amounts paid or incurred.)	(a) Filing organization's totals	(b) Affiliated group totals
1a Total lobbying expenditures to influence public opinion (grass roots lobbying)		
b Total lobbying expenditures to influence a legislative body (direct lobbying)		
c Total lobbying expenditures (add lines 1a and 1b)		
d Other exempt purpose expenditures		
e Total exempt purpose expenditures (add lines 1c and 1d)		
f Lobbying nontaxable amount Enter the amount from the following table in both columns		
g Grassroots nontaxable amount (enter 25% of line 1f)		
h Subtract line 1g from line 1a If zero or less, enter -0-		
i Subtract line 1f from line 1c If zero or less, enter -0-		

If the amount on line 1e, column (a) or (b) is	The lobbying nontaxable amount is
Not over $500,000	20% of the amount on line 1e
Over $500,000 but not over $1,000,000	$100,000 plus 15% of the excess over $500,000
Over $1,000,000 but not over $1,500,000	$175,000 plus 10% of the excess over $1,000,000
Over $1,500,000 but not over $17,000,000	$225,000 plus 5% of the excess over $1,500,000.
Over $17,000,000	$1,000,000

j If there is an amount other than zero on either line 1h or line 1i, did the organization file Form 4720 reporting section 4911 tax for this year? ☐ Yes ☐ No

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

Lobbying Expenditures During 4-Year Averaging Period

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in)	(a) 2006	(b) 2007	(c) 2008	(d) 2009	(e) Total
2a Lobbying non-taxable amount					
b Lobbying ceiling amount (150% of line 2a, column (e))					
c Total lobbying expenditures					
d Grassroots nontaxable amount					
e Grassroots ceiling amount (150% of line 2d, column (e))					
f Grassroots lobbying expenditures					

Part II-B Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(3) and has NOT filed Form 5768 (election under section 501(h)).

	(a) Yes	(a) No	(b) Amount
1 During the year, did the filing organization attempt to influence foreign, national, state or local legislation, including any attempt to influence public opinion on a legislative matter or referendum, through the use of			
a Volunteers?		X	
b Paid staff or management (include compensation in expenses reported on lines 1c through 1i)?	X		
c Media advertisements?		X	
d Mailings to members, legislators, or the public?		X	
e Publications, or published or broadcast statements?		X	
f Grants to other organizations for lobbying purposes?		X	
g Direct contact with legislators, their staffs, government officials, or a legislative body?	X		1,840.
h Rallies, demonstrations, seminars, conventions, speeches, lectures, or any similar means?		X	
i Other activities? If 'Yes,' describe in Part IV		X	
j Total Add lines 1c through 1i			1,840.
2a Did the activities in line 1 cause the organization to be not described in section 501(c)(3)?		X	
b If 'Yes,' enter the amount of any tax incurred under section 4912			
c If 'Yes,' enter the amount of any tax incurred by organization managers under section 4912			
d If the filing organization incurred a section 4912 tax, did it file Form 4720 for this year?		X	

Part III-A Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(4), section 501(c)(5), or section 501(c)(6).

		Yes	No
1 Were substantially all (90% or more) dues received nondeductible by members?	1		
2 Did the organization make only in-house lobbying expenditures of $2,000 or less?	2		
3 Did the organization agree to carryover lobbying and political expenditures from the prior year?	3		

Part III-B Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(4), section 501(c)(5), or section 501(c)(6) if BOTH Part III-A, questions 1 and 2 are answered 'No' OR if Part III-A, line 3 is answered 'Yes.'

1 Dues, assessments and similar amounts from members	1	
2 Section 162(e) non-deductible lobbying and political expenditures **(do not include amounts of political expenses for which the section 527(f) tax was paid).**		
a Current year	2a	
b Carryover from last year	2b	
c Total	2c	
3 Aggregate amount reported in section 6033(e)(1)(A) notices of nondeductible section 162(e) dues	3	
4 If notices were sent and the amount on line 2c exceeds the amount on line 3, what portion of the excess does the organization agree to carryover to the reasonable estimate of nondeductible lobbying and political expenditure next year?	4	
5 Taxable amount of lobbying and political expenditures (see instructions)	5	

Part IV Supplemental Information

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

Part IV Supplemental Information *(continued)*

Statement 1
Form 990-EZ, Part I, Line 8
Other Revenue

Miscellaneous		$ 632.
	Total	$ 632.

Statement 2
Form 990-EZ, Part I, Line 16
Other Expenses

Computers & Printer Fee	$ 599.
Conferences, Conventions, and Meetings	5,478.
Consulting	11,700.
Copier	2,664.
Credit Card Expense	714.
Dues & Subscriptions	105.
Fines and Penalties	1,190.
Insurance	1,061.
Office Expenses	3,754.
Payroll Service	166.
Recruitment & Hiring	482.
Staff Training & Development	199.
Telephone	2,073.
Travel	3,515.
Web Site	10.
Total	$ 33,710.

Statement 3
Form 990-EZ, Part II, Line 26
Total Liabilities

	Beginning	Ending
Accounts Payable and Accrued Expenses	$ 3,001.	$ 2,249.
Total	$ 3,001.	$ 2,249.

Statement 4
Form 990-EZ, Part III, Line 28
Statement of Program Service Accomplishments

REAP works to achieve economic justice for family farmers by breaking down policy barriers and working toward fair prices for agricultural products. It brings together farmers and consumers to identify solutions that work for all and that are fair. It conducts outreach and education to farmers and consumers seeking information about laws and regulations. It hosts social events to build rural community. REAP has approximately 900 dues-paying members, and serves thousands more. It provides ongoing support to farmers seeking information about policies and procedures, as well as referrals to technical assistance. It refers consumers who are seeking a source of farm fresh products to farmers who sell them.

Statement 5
Form 990-EZ, Part IV
List of Officers, Directors, Trustees, and Key Employees

Name and Address	Title and Average Hours Per Week Devoted	Compensation	Contribution to EBP & DC	Expense Account/ Other
Sloan Armstrog 15 Barre St Montpelier, VT 05602	Director 2.50	$ 0.	$ 0.	$ 0.
Jen Linck 15 Barre St Montpelier, VT 05602	Director 2.50	0.	0.	0.
John Clark 15 Barre St Montpelier, VT 05602	Director 2.50	0.	0.	0.
Paul Horton 15 Barre Str Montpelier, VT 05602	Director 2.50	0.	0.	0.
Mike Eastman 15 Barre Str Montpelier, VT 05602	Co-Chair 2.50	0.	0.	0.
Doug Flack 15 Barre St Montpelier, VT 05602	Director 2.50	0.	0.	0.
Lindsay Harris 32 Taproot Farm Ln., Hinesburg, VT 05461	Treasurer 2.50	0.	0.	0.
Rob MacLeod 15 Barre St Montpelier, VT 05602	Director 2.50	0.	0.	0.
John Pollard 15 Barre St Montpelier, VT 05602	Co-Chair 2.50	0.	0.	0.
Dexter Randall 15 Barre St Montpelier, VT 05602	Director 2.50	0.	0.	0.
Kate Scarlott 15 Barre St Montpelier, VT 05602	Director 2.50	0.	0.	0.
Sally Beckwith 2494 Lake Rd Benson, VT 05731	Director 2.50	0.	0.	0.

Statement 5 (continued)
Form 990-EZ, Part IV
List of Officers, Directors, Trustees, and Key Employees

Name and Address	Title and Average Hours Per Week Devoted	Compensation	Contribution to EBP & DC	Expense Account/ Other
Lisa McCrory 15 Barre St Montpelier, VT 05602	Treasurer 2.50	$ 0.	$ 0.	$ 0.
Carl Russell 15 Barre St Montpelier, VT 05602	Director 2.50	0.	0.	0.
Brian Moyer 15 Barre St Montpelier, VT 05602	Executive Direc 40.00	17,355.	0.	0.
Amy Shollenberger 15 Barre St Montpelier, VT 05602	Executive Direc 40.00	28,752.	0.	0.
	Total	$ 46,107.	$ 0.	$ 0.

Statement 6
Form 990-EZ, Part V
Regarding Transfers Associated with Personal Benefit Contracts

(a) Did the organization, during the year, receive any funds, directly or indirectly, to pay premiums on a personal benefit contract? No
(b) Did the organization, during the year, pay premiums, directly or indirectly, on a personal benefit contract? No

Statement 7
Form 990-EZ , Part V, Line 35
Reason for Income Not Reported on Form 990-T

A Form 990T was not required to be filed. The inventory sales are substantially related to the organization's exempt purpose. They regularly sell cookbooks, stickers and other items, all of which promote the mission of the organization.

Part II, Line 10 - Other Income

Nature and Source	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005
Miscellaneous Income	632.	1,893.	1,460.	7,454.	6,655.
Silent auction, dinner tickets			2,734.		
Inventory sales, net	3,626.	2,751.			165.
Total	$ 4,258.	$ 4,644.	$ 4,194.	$ 7,454.	$ 6,820.