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Form **990**

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

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

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

OMB No 1545-0047

2009

Open to Public Inspection

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

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: Northeast Organic Farming Association of Verm
Doing Business As:
Number and street (or P O box if mail is not delivered to street address): PO Box 697
Room/suite:
City or town, state or country, and ZIP + 4: Richmond VT 05477

D Employer identification number: 22-3260420

E Telephone number: (802) 434-4122

G Gross receipts $: 1,377,990

F Name and address of principal officer.

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.nofavt.org

K Form of organization ☐ Corporation ☐ Trust ☒ Association ☐ Other ▶

L Year of formation 1971

M State of legal domicile VT

Part I Summary

1 Briefly describe the organization's mission or most significant activities. Northeast Organic Farming Association of Vermont works with farmers, gardeners and consumers to promote an economically viable and ecologically sound Vermont food system. Our vision consists of small farms and agriculturally based businesses that are thriving and improving the ecology of Vermont food-scapes, where organic farms and gardens supply local food to all members of their community, and everyone knows their farmers.

2 Check this box ▶ ☐ if the organization discontinued its operations or disposed of more than 25% of its net assets.

3	Number of voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1a)	3	12
4	Number of independent voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1b)	4	0
5	Total number of employees (Part V, line 2a)	5	17
6	Total number of volunteers (estimate if necessary)	6	
7a	Total gross unrelated business revenue from Part VIII, column (C), line 12	7a	0
b	Net unrelated business taxable income from Form 990-T, line 34	7b	0

		Prior Year	Current Year
8	Contributions and grants (Part VIII, line 1h)	813,559	783,781
9	Program service revenue (Part VIII, line 2g)	407,650	474,753
10	Investment income (Part VIII, column (A), lines 3, 4, and 7d)	6,719	4,617
11	Other revenue (Part VIII, column (A), lines 5, 6d, 8c, 9c, 10c, and 11e)	27,921	27,976
12	Total revenue—add lines 8 through 11 (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	1,255,849	1,291,127
13	Grants and similar amounts paid (Part IX, column (A), lines 1–3)	73,070	113,621
14	Benefits paid to or for members (Part IX, column (A), line 4)	0	0
15	Salaries, other compensation, employee benefits (Part IX, column (A), lines 5–10)	520,512	587,363
16a	Professional fundraising fees (Part IX, column (A), line 11e)	0	101
b	Total fundraising expenses (Part IX, column (D), line 25) ▶ 13,151		
17	Other expenses (Part IX, column (A), lines 11a–11d, 11f–24f)	572,225	555,367
18	Total expenses. Add lines 13–17 (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	1,165,807	1,256,452
19	Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 18 from line 12	90,042	34,675

		Beginning of Current Year	End of Year
20	Total assets (Part X, line 16)	524,194	555,369
21	Total liabilities (Part X, line 26)	59,964	56,464
22	Net assets or fund balances. Subtract line 21 from line 20	464,230	498,905

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 — Date: 8/3/2010

Thomas M.L. Stearns, Treasurer
Type or print name and title

Paid Preparer's Use Only

Preparer's signature	Matt Mabbott	Date 6/16/2010	Check if self-employed ▶ ☐
Firm's name (or yours if self-employed), address, and ZIP + 4	Independent Tax Service, Inc. One Mill Street, #140; Burlington, VT 05401	EIN ▶ 03-0302688 Phone no ▶ (802) 863-2271	Preparer's identifying number (see instructions)

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

1 Briefly describe the organization's mission:
To promote an economically viable and ecologically sound Vermont food system for the benefit of current and future generations.

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 $ 0 including grants of $ 0) (Revenue $ 0)
See attached list.

4b (Code:) (Expenses $ 0 including grants of $ 0) (Revenue $ 0)

4c (Code:) (Expenses $ 0 including grants of $ 0) (Revenue $ 0)

4d Other program services. (Describe in Schedule O.)
(Expenses $ 0 including grants of $ 0) (Revenue $ 0)

4e **Total program service expenses** ▶ 1,110,737

Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules

			Yes	No
1	Is the organization described in section 501(c)(3) or 4947(a)(1) (other than a private foundation)? *If "Yes," complete Schedule A*	1	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? *If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part I*	3		X
4	**Section 501(c)(3) organizations.** Did the organization engage in lobbying activities? *If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part II*	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? *If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part III*	5		
6	Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds or any similar funds or accounts where donors have the right to provide advice on the distribution or investment of amounts in such funds or accounts? *If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part I*	6		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? *If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part II*	7		X
8	Did the organization maintain collections of works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets? *If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part III*	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? *If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part IV*	9		X
10	Did the organization, directly or through a related organization, hold assets in term, permanent, or quasi-endowments? *If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part V*	10		X
11	Is the organization's answer to any of the following questions "Yes"? *If so, complete Schedule D, Parts VI, VII, VIII, IX, or X as applicable*	11	X	
	• Did the organization report an amount for land, buildings, and equipment in Part X, line 10? *If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VI.*			
	• Did the organization report an amount for investments—other securities in Part X, line 12 that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? *If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VII*			
	• Did the organization report an amount for investments—program related in Part X, line 13 that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? *If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VIII.*			
	• Did the organization report an amount for other assets in Part X, line 15 that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? *If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part IX.*			
	• Did the organization report an amount for other liabilities in Part X, line 25? *If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X.*			
	• Did the organization's separate or consolidated financial statements for the tax year include a footnote that addresses the organization's liability for uncertain tax positions under FIN 48? *If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X.*			
12	Did the organization obtain separate, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? *If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Parts XI, XII, and XIII.*	12		X
12A	Was the organization included in consolidated, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? *If "Yes," completing Schedule D, Parts XI, XII, and XIII is optional* (Yes: , No: X)	12A		X
13	Is the organization a school described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? *If "Yes," complete Schedule E*	13		X
14a	Did the organization maintain an office, employees, or agents outside of the United States?	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 United States? *If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Part 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? *If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Part II*	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? *If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Part III*	16		X
17	Did the organization report a total of more than $15,000 of expenses for professional fundraising services on Part IX, column (A), lines 6 and 11e? *If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part I*	17		X
18	Did the organization report more than $15,000 total of fundraising event gross income and contributions on Part VIII, lines 1c and 8a? *If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part II*	18		X
19	Did the organization report more than $15,000 of gross income from gaming activities on Part VIII, line 9a? *If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part III*	19		X
20	Did the organization operate one or more hospitals? *If "Yes," complete Schedule H*	20		X

Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules *(continued)*

			Yes	No
21	Did the organization report more than $5,000 of grants and other assistance to governments and organizations in the United States on Part IX, column (A), line 1? *If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and II*	21	X	
22	Did the organization report more than $5,000 of grants and other assistance to individuals in the United States on Part IX, column (A), line 2? *If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and III*	22		X
23	Did the organization answer "Yes" to Part VII, Section A, line 3, 4, or 5 about compensation of the organization's current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, and highest compensated employees? *If "Yes," complete Schedule J*	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? *If "Yes," answer lines 24b through 24d and complete Schedule K If "No," go to line 25*	24a		X
b	Did the organization invest any proceeds of tax-exempt bonds beyond a temporary period exception?	24b		X
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		X
d	Did the organization act as an "on behalf of" issuer for bonds outstanding at any time during the year?	24d		X
25a	**Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations.** Did the organization engage in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person during the year? *If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I*	25a		X
b	Is the organization 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*	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? *If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part II*	26		X
27	Did the organization provide a grant or other assistance to an officer, director, trustee, key employee, substantial contributor, or a grant selection committee member, or to a person related to such an individual? *If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part III*	27		X
28	Was the organization a party to a business transaction with one of the following parties (see Schedule L, Part IV instructions for applicable filing thresholds, conditions, and exceptions)			
a	A current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee? *If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV*	28a		X
b	A family member of a current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee? *If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV*	28b		X
c	An entity of which a current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee of the organization (or a family member) was an officer, director, trustee, or direct or indirect owner? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV	28c		X
29	Did the organization receive more than $25,000 in non-cash contributions? *If "Yes," complete Schedule M*	29		X
30	Did the organization receive contributions of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets, or qualified conservation contributions? *If "Yes," complete Schedule M*	30		X
31	Did the organization liquidate, terminate, or dissolve and cease operations? *If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part I*	31		X
32	Did the organization sell, exchange, dispose of, or transfer more than 25% of its net assets? *If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part II*	32		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? *If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part I*	33	X	
34	Was the organization related to any tax-exempt or taxable entity? *If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Parts II, III, IV, and V, line 1*	34		X
35	Is any related organization a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? *If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2*	35		X
36	**Section 501(c)(3) organizations.** Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization? *If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2*	36		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? *If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part VI*	37		X
38	Did the organization complete Schedule O and provide explanations in Schedule O for Part VI, lines 11 and 19? **Note.** All Form 990 filers are required to complete Schedule O.	38	X	

Part V Statements Regarding Other IRS Filings and Tax Compliance

				Yes	No
1a	Enter the number reported in Box 3 of Form 1096, Annual Summary and Transmittal of U.S. Information Returns. Enter -0- if not applicable	1a	✓ 59		
b	Enter the number of Forms W-2G included in line 1a Enter -0- if not applicable	1b	0		
c	Did the organization comply with backup withholding rules for reportable payments to vendors and reportable gaming (gambling) winnings to prize winners?		1c	X	
2a	Enter the number of employees reported on Form W-3, Transmittal of Wage and Tax Statements, filed for the calendar year ending with or within the year covered by this return	2a	✓ 17		
b	If at least one is reported on line 2a, did the organization file all required federal employment tax returns?		2b	X	
	Note. If the sum of lines 1a and 2a is greater than 250, you may be required to *e-file* this return (see instructions)				
3a	Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of $1,000 or more during the year covered by this return?		3a		X
b	If "Yes," has it filed a Form 990-T for this year? *If "No," provide an explanation in Schedule O*		3b		
4a	At any time during the calendar year, did the organization have an interest in, or a signature or other authority over, a financial account in a foreign country (such as a bank account, securities account, or other financial account)?		4a		X
b	If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country ► ..... See the instructions for exceptions and filing requirements for Form TD F 90-22.1, Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts.				
5a	Was the organization a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction at any time during the tax year?		5a		X
b	Did any taxable party notify the organization that it was or is a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction?		5b		X
c	If "Yes" to line 5a or 5b, did the organization file Form 8886-T, Disclosure by Tax-Exempt Entity Regarding Prohibited Tax Shelter Transaction?		5c		
6a	Does the organization have annual gross receipts that are normally greater than $100,000, and did the organization solicit any contributions that were not tax deductible?		6a		X
b	If "Yes," did the organization include with every solicitation an express statement that such contributions or gifts were not tax deductible?		6b		
7	**Organizations that may receive deductible contributions under section 170(c).**				
a	Did the organization receive a payment in excess of $75 made partly as a contribution and partly for goods and services provided to the payor?		7a	X	
b	If "Yes," did the organization notify the donor of the value of the goods or services provided?		7b	X	
c	Did the organization sell, exchange, or otherwise dispose of tangible personal property for which it was required to file Form 8282?		7c		X
d	If "Yes," indicate the number of Forms 8282 filed during the year	7d			
e	Did the organization, during the year, receive any funds, directly or indirectly, to pay premiums on a personal benefit contract?		7e		X
f	Did the organization, during the year, pay premiums, directly or indirectly, on a personal benefit contract?		7f		X
g	For all contributions of qualified intellectual property, did the organization file Form 8899 as required?		7g		
h	For contributions of cars, boats, airplanes, and other vehicles, did the organization file a Form 1098-C as required?		7h		
8	**Sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds and section 509(a)(3) supporting organizations.** Did the supporting organization, or a donor advised fund maintained by a sponsoring organization, have excess business holdings at any time during the year?		8		X
9	**Sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds.**				
a	Did the organization make any taxable distributions under section 4966?		9a		X
b	Did the organization make a distribution to a donor, donor advisor, or related person?		9b		X
10	**Section 501(c)(7) organizations.** Enter:				
a	Initiation fees and capital contributions included on Part VIII, line 12	10a			
b	Gross receipts, included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, for public use of club facilities	10b			
11	**Section 501(c)(12) organizations.** Enter:				
a	Gross income from members or shareholders	11a			
b	Gross income from other sources (Do not net amounts due or paid to other sources against amounts due or received from them.)	11b			
12a	**Section 4947(a)(1) non-exempt charitable trusts.** Is the organization filing Form 990 in lieu of Form 1041?		12a		
b	If "Yes," enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the year	12b			

Part VI **Governance, Management, and Disclosure** *For each "Yes" response to lines 2 through 7b below, and for a "No" response to line 8a, 8b, or 10b below, describe the circumstances, processes, or changes in Schedule O See instructions.*

Section A. Governing Body and Management

				Yes	No
1a	Enter the number of voting members of the governing body	1a	12		
b	Enter the number of voting members that are independent	1b	0		
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?		2		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?		3		X
4	Did the organization make any significant changes to its organizational documents since the prior Form 990 was filed?		4		X
5	Did the organization become aware during the year of a material diversion of the organization's assets?		5		X
6	Does the organization have members or stockholders?		6		X
7a	Does the organization have members, stockholders, or other persons who may elect one or more members of the governing body?		7a		X
b	Are any decisions of the governing body subject to approval by members, stockholders, or other persons?		7b		X
8	Did the organization contemporaneously document the meetings held or written actions undertaken during the year by the following:				
a	The governing body?		8a	X	
b	Each committee with authority to act on behalf of the governing body?		8b	X	
9	Is there any officer, director, 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*		9a		X

Section B. Policies *(This Section B requests information about policies not required by the Internal Revenue Code.)*

			Yes	No
10a	Does the organization have local chapters, branches, or affiliates?	10a		X
b	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?	10b		
11	Has the organization provided a copy of this Form 990 to all members of its governing body before filing the form?	11	X	
11A	Describe in Schedule O the process, if any, used by the organization to review this Form 990			
12a	Does the organization have a written conflict of interest policy? *If "No," go to line 13*	12a	X	
b	Are officers, directors or trustees, and key employees required to disclose annually interests that could give rise to conflicts?	12b	X	
c	Does the organization regularly and consistently monitor and enforce compliance with the policy? *If "Yes," describe in Schedule O how this is done*	12c	X	
13	Does the organization have a written whistleblower policy?	13		X
14	Does the organization have a written document retention and destruction policy?	14	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.	15a	X	
b	Other officers or key employees of the organization	15b	X	
	If "Yes" to line 15a or 15b, describe the process in Schedule O. (See instructions)			
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?	16a		X
b	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?	16b		

Section C. Disclosure

17 List the states with which a copy of this Form 990 is required to be filed ► NONE

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: ► Kirsten Bower (802) 434-4122
39 Bridge St., Richmond, VT 05477

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 Report compensation for the calendar year ending with or within the organization's tax year. 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. Enter -0- in columns (D), (E), and (F) if no compensation was paid.
- List all of the organization's **current** key employees See instructions for definition of "key employee."
- 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.

[X] Check this box if the organization did not compensate any current officer, director, or trustee

(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			
Regina Beidler Co-Chair	2 hrs/mo	X		X				0	0	0
Josh Brown	2 hrs/mo	X						0	0	0
Jennifer Colby	2 hrs/mo	X						0	0	0
Chris Gordon	2 hrs/mo	X						0	0	0
Peter Griffin	2 hrs/mo	X						0	0	0
John Hayden Co-Chair	4 hrs/mo	X		X				0	0	0
Jack Manix	2 hrs/mo	X						0	0	0
Chuch Mitchell	2 hrs/mo	X						0	0	0
Elyse Moore	2 hrs/mo	X						0	0	0
Tom Stearns Treasurer	4 hrs/mo	X		X				0	0	0
Helen Whybrow	2 hrs/mo	X						0	0	0
Morgan Wolaver	2 hrs/mo	X						0	0	0

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 ▶								0	0	0

2 Total number of individuals (including but not limited to those listed above) who received more than $100,000 in reportable compensation from the organization ▶ 0

		Yes	No
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*		X
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*		X
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*		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
NONE		0
		0
		0
		0
		0

2 Total number of independent contractors (including but not limited to those listed above) who received more than $100,000 in compensation from the organization ▶ NONE

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	1a Federated campaigns	1a	0				
	b Membership dues	1b	98,754				
	c Fundraising events	1c	0				
	d Related organizations	1d	0				
	e Government grants (contributions)	1e	343,778				
	f All other contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts not included above	1f	341,249				
	g Noncash contributions included in lines 1a-1f $		0				
	h **Total.** Add lines 1a–1f			783,781			
Program Service Revenue		Business Code					
	2a Conference/workshop registration fees			82,705	82,705		
	b Advertising Income			10,108	10,108		
	c Program Administration			377,789	377,789		
	d Loan Program			4,151	4,151		
	e						
	f All other program service revenue			0			
	g **Total.** Add lines 2a–2f			474,753			
Other Revenue	3 Investment income (including dividends, interest, and other similar amounts)			4,617			4,617
	4 Income from investment of tax-exempt bond proceeds			0			
	5 Royalties			0			
		(i) Real	(ii) Personal				
	6a Gross Rents						
	b Less rental expenses						
	c Rental income or (loss)	0	0				
	d Net rental income or (loss)			0			
		(i) Securities	(ii) Other				
	7a Gross amount from sales of assets other than inventory	0	0				
	b Less: cost or other basis and sales expenses	0	0				
	c Gain or (loss)	0	0				
	d Net gain or (loss)			0			
	8a Gross income from fundraising events (not including $ 0 of contributions reported on line 1c). See Part IV, line 18	a	0				
	b Less: direct expenses	b	0				
	c Net income or (loss) from fundraising events			0			
	9a Gross income from gaming activities. See Part IV, line 19	a	0				
	b Less: direct expenses	b	0				
	c Net income or (loss) from gaming activities			0			
	10a Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances	a	114,839				
	b Less cost of goods sold	b	86,863				
	c Net income or (loss) from sales of inventory			27,976	27,976		
	Miscellaneous Revenue		Business Code				
	11a			0			
	b			0			
	c			0			
	d All other revenue			0			
	e **Total.** Add lines 11a–11d			0			
	12 **Total revenue.** See instructions			1,291,127	502,729	0	4,617

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	113,621	113,621		
2 Grants and other assistance to individuals in the U S See Part IV, line 22	0			
3 Grants and other assistance to governments, organizations, and individuals outside the U.S See Part IV, lines 15 and 16	0			
4 Benefits paid to or for members	0			
5 Compensation of current officers, directors, trustees, and key employees	0			
6 Compensation not included above, to disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)) and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B)	0			
7 Other salaries and wages	496,023	408,677	80,757	6,589
8 Pension plan contributions (include section 401(k) and section 403(b) employer contributions)	0			
9 Other employee benefits	53,394	42,464	10,930	
10 Payroll taxes	37,946	30,879	6,559	508
11 Fees for services (non-employees):				
a Management	4,779		4,779	
b Legal	0			
c Accounting	1,120		1,120	
d Lobbying	0			
e Professional fundraising services See Part IV, line 17	101			101
f Investment management fees	0			
g Other	223,862	223,862		
12 Advertising and promotion	0			
13 Office expenses	36,697	30,266	5,875	556
14 Information technology	9,131	7,311	1,784	36
15 Royalties	0			
16 Occupancy	16,995	6,806	10,189	
17 Travel	91,225	87,819	3,400	6
18 Payments of travel or entertainment expenses for any federal, state, or local public officials	0			
19 Conferences, conventions, and meetings	19,740	18,541	1,199	
20 Interest	2,048	2,048		
21 Payments to affiliates	0			
22 Depreciation, depletion, and amortization	3,716	2,600	1,116	0
23 Insurance	5,771	4,028	1,743	
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 Printing and Copying	38,904	35,587	320	2,997
b Postage	25,155	21,808	989	2,358
c Dues and subscriptions	5,602	5,092	510	
d Facility rent	9,520	9,132	388	
e Small equipment	2,125	1,219	906	
f All other expenses Farm shares	58,977	58,977		
25 **Total functional expenses.** Add lines 1 through 24f	1,256,452	1,110,737	132,564	13,151
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	24,123	1	309,143
	2	Savings and temporary cash investments	416,733	2	170,072
	3	Pledges and grants receivable, net	0	3	0
	4	Accounts receivable, net	0	4	0
	5	Receivables from current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, and highest compensated employees. Complete Part II of Schedule L	993	5	0
	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	0	6	
	7	Notes and loans receivable, net	57,325	7	52,412
	8	Inventories for sale or use	13,609	8	13,105
	9	Prepaid expenses and deferred charges		9	
	10a	Land, buildings, and equipment: cost or other basis Complete Part VI of Schedule D — 10a: 35,121			
	b	Less. accumulated depreciation — 10b: 28,433	10,404	10c	6,688
	11	Investments—publicly traded securities	1,007	11	3,949
	12	Investments—other securities. See Part IV, line 11	0	12	0
	13	Investments—program-related. See Part IV, line 11	0	13	0
	14	Intangible assets	0	14	0
	15	Other assets. See Part IV, line 11	0	15	0
	16	**Total assets.** Add lines 1 through 15 (must equal line 34)	524,194	16	555,369
Liabilities	17	Accounts payable and accrued expenses		17	
	18	Grants payable		18	
	19	Deferred revenue		19	
	20	Tax-exempt bond liabilities	0	20	
	21	Escrow or custodial account liability. Complete Part IV of Schedule D		21	
	22	Payables to current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, highest compensated employees, and disqualified persons Complete Part II of Schedule L	0	22	
	23	Secured mortgages and notes payable to unrelated third parties	0	23	0
	24	Unsecured notes and loans payable to unrelated third parties	59,964	24	56,464
	25	Other liabilities. Complete Part X of Schedule D	0	25	0
	26	**Total liabilities.** Add lines 17 through 25	59,964	26	56,464
Net Assets or Fund Balances		**Organizations that follow SFAS 117, check here ▶ ☐ and complete lines 27 through 29, and lines 33 and 34.**			
	27	Unrestricted net assets	434,230	27	458,905
	28	Temporarily restricted net assets	30,000	28	40,000
	29	Permanently restricted net assets		29	
		Organizations that do not follow SFAS 117, check here ▶ ☐ and complete lines 30 through 34.			
	30	Capital stock or trust principal, or current funds		30	
	31	Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, building, or equipment fund		31	
	32	Retained earnings, endowment, accumulated income, or other funds		32	
	33	Total net assets or fund balances	464,230	33	498,905
	34	Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances	524,194	34	555,369

Part XI Financial Statements and Reporting

			Yes	No
1	Accounting method used to prepare the Form 990: [X] Cash [ ] Accrual [ ] Other _____ If the organization changed its method of accounting from a prior year or checked "Other," explain in Schedule O.			
2a	Were the organization's financial statements compiled or reviewed by an independent accountant?	2a		X
b	Were the organization's financial statements audited by an independent accountant?	2b		X
c	If "Yes" to line 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? If the organization changed either its oversight process or selection process during the tax year, explain in Schedule O	2c		
d	If "Yes" to line 2a or 2b, check a box below to indicate whether the financial statements for the year were issued on a consolidated basis, separate basis, or both: [ ] Separate basis [ ] Consolidated basis [ ] Both consolidated and separate basis			
3a	As a result of a federal award, was the organization required to undergo an audit or audits as set forth in the Single Audit Act and OMB Circular A-133?	3a		X
b	If "Yes," did the organization undergo the required audit or audits? If the organization did not undergo the required audit or audits, explain why in Schedule O and describe any steps taken to undergo such audits.	3b		

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
Northeast Organic Farming Association of Vermont	22-3260420

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 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 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)	X
(ii)	A family member of a person described in (i) above?	11g(ii)	X
(iii)	A 35% controlled entity of a person described in (i) or (ii) above?	11g(iii)	X

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	
									0
									0
									0
									0
									0
Total									0

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 ")						0
2 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf						0
3 The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge						0
4 **Total.** Add lines 1 through 3	0	0	0	0	0	0
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.						0

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	0	0	0	0	0	0
8 Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources						0
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.)						0
11 **Total support.** Add lines 7 through 10						0

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 2009 (line 6, column (f) divided by line 11, column (f))	14	0.00%
15	Public support percentage from 2008 Schedule A, Part II, line 14	15	0.00%

16a **33 1/3% support test–2009.** 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–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 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 ")	489,382	804,801	604,006	813,559	783,781	3,495,529
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	271,224	299,859	391,688	435,571	502,729	1,901,071
3 Gross receipts from activities that are not an unrelated trade or business under section 513						0
4 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf	0	0				0
5 The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge	0	0				0
6 **Total.** Add lines 1 through 5	760,606	1,104,660	995,694	1,249,130	1,286,510	5,396,600
7a Amounts included on lines 1, 2, and 3 received from disqualified persons						0
b Amounts included on lines 2 and 3 received from other than disqualified persons that exceed the greater of $5,000 or 1% of the amount on line 13 for the year						0
c Add lines 7a and 7b	0	0	0	0	0	0
8 **Public support** (Subtract line 7c from line 6.)						5,396,600

Section B. Total Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ►	(a) 2005	(b) 2006	(c) 2007	(d) 2008	(e) 2009	(f) Total
9 Amounts from line 6	760,606	1,104,660	995,694	1,249,130	1,286,510	5,396,600
10a Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources	596	4,385	6,605	6,719	4,617	22,922
b *Unrelated business taxable income* (less section 511 taxes) from businesses acquired after June 30, 1975						0
c Add lines 10a and 10b	596	4,385	6,605	6,719	4,617	22,922
11 Net income from unrelated business activities not included in line 10b, whether or not the business is regularly carried on						0
12 Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part IV.)	0	0				0
13 **Total support.** (Add lines 9, 10c, 11, and 12.)	761,202	1,109,045	1,002,299	1,255,849	1,291,127	5,419,522

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	99.58%
16	Public support percentage from 2008 Schedule A, Part III, line 15	16	99 65%

Section D. Computation of Investment Income Percentage

17	Investment income percentage for **2009** (line 10c, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f))	17	0.42%
18	Investment income percentage from **2008** Schedule A, Part III, line 17	18	0.35%

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 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 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

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
Northeast Organic Farming Association of Vermont	22-3260420

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 . . . . ▶ $

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

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 exempt function expenditures. Add lines 1 and 2 Enter here and on Form 1120-POL, line 17b . . . . . ▶ $ 0

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-
			0	0
			0	0
			0	0
			0	0
			0	0
			0	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)		0
b	Total lobbying expenditures to influence a legislative body (direct lobbying)		0
c	Total lobbying expenditures (add lines 1a and 1b)	0	0
d	Other exempt purpose expenditures		0
e	Total exempt purpose expenditures (add lines 1c and 1d)	0	0
f	Lobbying nontaxable amount. Enter the amount from the following table in both columns	0	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

g	Grassroots nontaxable amount (enter 25% of line 1f)	0	0
h	Subtract line 1g from line 1a. If zero or less, enter -0-	0	0
i	Subtract line 1f from line 1c. If zero or less, enter -0-	0	0
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 on page 4.)

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 nontaxable amount	0	0		0	0
b	Lobbying ceiling amount (150% of line 2a, column(e))					0
c	Total lobbying expenditures	0	0		0	0
d	Grassroots nontaxable amount	0	0		0	0
e	Grassroots ceiling amount (150% of line 2d, column (e))					0
f	Grassroots lobbying expenditures	0	0		0	0

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		5,346
h	Rallies, demonstrations, seminars, conventions, speeches, lectures, or any similar means?	X		472
i	Other activities? If "Yes," describe in Part IV		X	
j	Total. Add lines 1c through 1i			5,818
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, lines 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) nondeductible 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	0
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	0

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.

SCHEDULE D (Form 990)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Supplemental Financial Statements

▶ Complete if the organization answered "Yes," to Form 990, Part IV, line 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, or 12.

▶ Attach to Form 990. ▶ See separate instructions.

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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 can be used only for charitable purposes and not for the benefit of the donor or donor advisor, or for any other purpose conferring 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 a certified historic structure
☐ Preservation of open space

2 Complete lines 2a through 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 Tax 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 tax 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, handling of violations, and enforcement of the conservation easements it holds? ☐ Yes ☐ No

6 Staff and volunteer hours devoted to monitoring, inspecting, and enforcing conservation easements during the year ▶ _____

7 Amount of expenses incurred in monitoring, inspecting, and enforcing conservation 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 acquisition, 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 Escrow and Custodial Arrangements. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 9, or reported an amount on Form 990, Part X, line 21.

1a Is the organization an agent, trustee, custodian or other intermediary for contributions or other assets not included on Form 990, Part X? ☐ Yes ☐ No

b If "Yes," explain the arrangement in Part XIV and complete the following table:

		Amount
c Beginning balance	1c	0
d Additions during the year	1d	
e Distributions during the year	1e	
f Ending balance	1f	0

2a Did the organization include an amount on Form 990, Part X, line 21? ☐ Yes ☒ No

b If "Yes," explain the arrangement in Part XIV.

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

	(a) Current year	(b) Prior year	(c) Two years back	(d) Three years back	(e) Four years back
1a Beginning of year balance	0				
b Contributions					
c Net investment earnings, gains, and losses					
d Grants or scholarships					
e Other expenditures for facilities and programs					
f Administrative expenses					
g End of year balance	0	0			

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

a Board designated or quasi-endowment ▶ ____ %
b Permanent endowment ▶ ____ %
c Term endowment ▶ ____ %

3a Are there endowment funds not in the possession of the organization that are held and administered for the organization by:

		Yes	No
(i) unrelated organizations	3a(i)		
(ii) related organizations	3a(ii)		
b If "Yes" to 3a(ii), are the related organizations listed as required on Schedule R?	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) Accumulated depreciation	(d) Book value
1a Land	0	0		0
b Buildings	0	0	0	0
c Leasehold improvements	0	0	0	0
d Equipment	0	35,121	28,433	6,688
e Other	0	0	0	0
Total. Add lines 1a through 1e. *(Column (d) must equal Form 990, Part X, column (B), line 10(c).)* ▶				6,688

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	0	
Closely-held equity interests	0	
Other	0	
	0	
	0	
	0	
	0	
	0	
	0	
	0	
	0	
Total. *(Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col (B) line 12.)* ▶	0	

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
	0	
	0	
	0	
	0	
	0	
	0	
	0	
	0	
	0	
	0	
Total. *(Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col (B) line 13.)* ▶	0	

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

(a) Description	(b) Book value
	0
	0
	0
	0
	0
	0
	0
	0
	0
	0
Total. *(Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col (B) line 15.)* ▶	0

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

1. (a) Description of liability	(b) Amount
Federal income taxes	0
	0
	0
	0
	0
	0
	0
	0
	0
	0
	0
Total. *(Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col (B) line 25.)* ▶	0

2. FIN 48 Footnote 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 Audited 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 through 8	9	0
10	Excess or (deficit) for the year per audited financial statements. Combine lines 3 and 9	10	0

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	0
3	Subtract line **2e** from line **1**			3	0
4	Amounts included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, but not on line 1:				
a	Investment expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b	4a			
b	Other (Describe in Part XIV)	4b			
c	Add lines **4a** and **4b**			4c	0
5	Total revenue. Add lines **3** and **4c.** *(This must equal Form 990, Part I, line 12)*			5	0

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	Other losses	2c			
d	Other (Describe in Part XIV.)	2d			
e	Add lines **2a** through **2d**			2e	0
3	Subtract line **2e** from line **1**			3	0
4	Amounts included on Form 990, Part IX, line 25, but not on line 1:				
a	Investment expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b	4a			
b	Other (Describe in Part XIV.)	4b			
c	Add lines **4a** and **4b**			4c	0
5	Total expenses. Add lines **3** and **4c.** *(This must equal Form 990, Part I, line 18)*			5	0

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, line 2, Part XI, line 8; Part XII, lines 2d and 4b, and Part XIII, lines 2d and 4b. Also complete this part to provide any additional information.

SCHEDULE I (Form 990)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Grants and Other Assistance to Organizations, Governments, and Individuals in the United States

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

▶ **Attach to Form 990.**

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Northeast Organic Farming Association of Vermont

Employer identification number

22-3260420

Part I General Information on Grants and Assistance

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? . . . . . [X] 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" to 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
Brattleboro Farmers' Market POBox1057, Brattleboro,VT05403	03-0270745		6,884	0			to promote an outlet
Norwich Farmers' Market PO Box 51; Norwich, VT 05055	03-0343897		6,211	0			for Vermont farm
Burlington Farmers' Market PO Box 1333; Burl, VT 05402	03-0278834		10,500	0			products
				0			
			0	0			
			0	0			
			0	0			
			0	0			
			0	0			
			0	0			
			0	0			
			0	0			

2 Enter total number of section 501(c)(3) and government organizations . . . . . ▶ 0

3 Enter total number of other organizations . . . . . ▶ 3

Part III **Grants and Other Assistance to Individuals in the United States.** Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 22
Use Part IV and Schedule I-1 (Form 990) if additional space is needed.

(a) Type of grant or assistance	(b) Number of recipients	(c) Amount of cash grant	(d) Amount of non-cash assistance	(e) Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other)	(f) Description of non-cash assistance
	0	0	0		
	0	0	0		
	0	0	0		
	0	0	0		
	0	0	0		
	0	0	0		
	0	0	0		

Part IV **Supplemental Information.** Complete this part to provide the information required in Part I, line 2, and any other additional information.

Grant recipients are required to file detailed reports on their activities and to document their use of funds. Our staff thoroughly reviews this information and makes onsite visits.

SCHEDULE O (Form 990)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Supplemental Information to Form 990

Complete to provide information for responses to specific questions on Form 990 or to provide any additional information.
► Attach to Form 990.

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Form 990, page 6, Part VI, Section A, line 10 The Board of Directors reviewed the Annual Tax Return after it was professionally prepared.

Part VI, Section B, line 15b The Board of Directors establishes the salaries for all employees

Part VI, Section C, line 19 Our Articles of Association, Bylaws and Financial Staements are available to the public on request, by mail, or via email. Our Annual Form 990 and attached Schedules are also available by mail or on a webstie knows as Guide Star.

Form 990, page 6, Part VI, Section B, line 12c Board members are asked to disclose any conflicts of interest with farms being certified as organic and/or with any organizations or projects that are applying for funding from NOFA.

SCHEDULE R (Form 990)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Related Organizations and Unrelated Partnerships

▶ Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 33, 34, 35, 36, or 37.
▶ Attach to Form 990. ▶ See separate instructions.

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Part I Identification of Disregarded Entities (Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 33.)

(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
Vermont Organic Farmers, LLC	certify organic farms	Vermont	388,212	28,371	none
			0	0	
			0	0	
			0	0	
			0	0	
			0	0	

Part II Identification of Related Tax-Exempt Organizations (Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 34 because it had one or more related tax-exempt organizations during the tax year)

(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

Form **4562**

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service (99)

Depreciation and Amortization
(Including Information on Listed Property)

► See separate instructions. ► Attach to your tax return.

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Attachment Sequence No **67**

Name(s) shown on return

Northeast Organic Farming Association of Vermont

Identifying number

22-3260420

Business or activity to which this form relates

Form 990

Part I Election To Expense Certain Property Under Section 179

Note: *If you have any listed property, complete Part V before you complete Part I*

1	Maximum amount. See the instructions for a higher limit for certain businesses	1	$250,000.
2	Total cost of section 179 property placed in service (see instructions)	2	
3	Threshold cost of section 179 property before reduction in limitation (see instructions)	3	$800,000.
4	Reduction in limitation. Subtract line 3 from line 2 If zero or less, enter -0-	4	
5	Dollar limitation for tax year Subtract line 4 from line 1. If zero or less, enter -0-. If married filing separately, see instructions	5	

6	(a) Description of property	(b) Cost (business use only)	(c) Elected cost

7	Listed property Enter the amount from line 29	7	
8	Total elected cost of section 179 property. Add amounts in column (c), lines 6 and 7	8	
9	Tentative deduction Enter the **smaller** of line 5 or line 8	9	
10	Carryover of disallowed deduction from line 13 of your 2008 Form 4562	10	
11	Business income limitation Enter the smaller of business income (not less than zero) or line 5 (see instrs)	11	
12	Section 179 expense deduction. Add lines 9 and 10, but do not enter more than line 11	12	
13	Carryover of disallowed deduction to 2010 Add lines 9 and 10, less line 12 ►	13	

Note: *Do not use Part II or Part III below for listed property. Instead, use Part V*

Part II Special Depreciation Allowance and Other Depreciation (Do not include listed property.) (See instructions)

14	Special depreciation allowance for qualified property (other than listed property) placed in service during the tax year (see instructions)	14	
15	Property subject to section 168(f)(1) election	15	
16	Other depreciation (including ACRS)	16	

Part III MACRS Depreciation (Do not include listed property.) (See instructions)

Section A

17	MACRS deductions for assets placed in service in tax years beginning before 2009	17	3,716.
18	If you are electing to group any assets placed in service during the tax year into one or more general asset accounts, check here ► ☐		

Section B — Assets Placed in Service During 2009 Tax Year Using the General Depreciation System

	(a) Classification of property	(b) Month and year placed in service	(c) Basis for depreciation (business/investment use only — see instructions)	(d) Recovery period	(e) Convention	(f) Method	(g) Depreciation deduction
19a	3-year property						
b	5-year property						
c	7-year property						
d	10-year property						
e	15-year property						
f	20-year property						
g	25-year property			25 yrs		S/L	
h	Residential rental property			27.5 yrs	MM	S/L	
				27.5 yrs	MM	S/L	
i	Nonresidential real property			39 yrs	MM	S/L	
					MM	S/L	

Section C — Assets Placed in Service During 2009 Tax Year Using the Alternative Depreciation System

20a	Class life					S/L	
b	12-year			12 yrs		S/L	
c	40-year			40 yrs	MM	S/L	

Part IV Summary (See instructions)

21	Listed property Enter amount from line 28	21	
22	**Total.** Add amounts from line 12, lines 14 through 17, lines 19 and 20 in column (g), and line 21 Enter here and on the appropriate lines of your return. Partnerships and S corporations — see instructions	22	3,716.
23	For assets shown above and placed in service during the current year, enter the portion of the basis attributable to section 263A costs	23	

Form 990
Return of Exempt Organization for 2009
Northeast Organic Farming Association
22-3260420

Part III

a. Membership Services: Services to members including annual meeting, potlucks, quarterly newsletter, NOFA Notes, and quarterly newspaper, The Natural Farmer. Current membership 1,300 gardeners, farmers and consumers. (Grants: $ 100) $ 28,250

b. Ag Ed FEED (Food Education Every Day) works to promote the development of agriculture curriculum in Vermont School systems as well as the use of organic and local produce in lunch programs. Workshops organized for farmers, school nurses, food service, school board members and administration. $ 88,928

c. Ag Ed Mentor program has 8 mentors working in communities to make connections between farmers and local schools to integrate agriculture into the classroom. Mentors coordinated winter school correspondence course where 80 farmers wrote to 100 classrooms. (Grants $6,322) $ 24,642

d. Apprenticeship Program developed a directory of 60 farms and processes applications to help apprentices and workers find organic farms in the state. Organized new farmer workshops as part of summer workshop series. $ 2,130

e. Bulk order of farming and gardening organic amendments educates consumers on products approved for organic production and makes them available and affordable through bulk order. $ 6,721

f. The Dairy Tech program provided technical assistance to 40 organic dairy farmers making the transition to organic production and business planning assistance to 17 farms.. The program offered a total of 14 workshops and conferences held in 2009 with 276 participants and conducts studies on the economic assessment of organic dairy production.
(Grants: $ 1,187) $ 176,157

g. The Farm Share program project provided fresh food and vegetables to limited income senior citizens and low income adults and children as well as drop in centers from community supported farms. In 2009, there were over 1,435 individuals participating in the Farm Share Program.
(Grants: $ 13,198) $ 93,624

h. The revolving loan program offers low interest loans to organic farmers who need to borrow small amounts for short terms. $ 3,602

i. The Promotion Market Development Projects created new marketing opportunities for farmers. $ 14,621

j. The Promotion Farmers Market project assisted with direct marketing of farmers markets and provided technical assistance to 72 summer and 21 winter farmers markets in 2009. A Direct Marketing Conference was held.
(Grants: $92,814) $ 166,223

k. The Technical Assistance Program provides technical assistance to organic farmers and to farmers in transition with farm visits and demonstrations, written materials, assistance with tools and equipment and workshops. $ 67,908

l. Summer workshops and a winter conference educate the public about organic farming. 37 workshops were held in the summer of 2009 with a total attendance of 700. The Winter conference featured more than 65 workshops attended by over 1,200 people.
$ 80,867

m. Vermont Organic Farmers program certifies farms and processors which met established criteria to be considered organic under the USDA National Organic program and qualified them to certify their produce to the consumer. 552 farms and processors were certified in 2009. An annual meeting was held for 50 interested farmers.
$ 357,064

TOTAL (Grants: $113,621) $ 1,110,737