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Short Form

Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

OMB No 1545-1150

2009

Form 990-EZ

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

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

► 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

and ending

B Check if applicable: ☐ Address change ☐ Name change ☐ Initial return ☐ Terminated ☐ Amended return ☐ Application pending	C Name of organization ALLIANCE FOR METROPOLITAN STABILITY Number and street (or P.O. box, if mail is not delivered to street address) 2525 EAST FRANKLIN AVENUE City or town, state or country, and ZIP + 4 MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55406	D Employer identification number 41-1977419
		E Telephone number 612-332-4471
		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.METROSTABILITY.ORG**

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

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

K Check ☐ if the organization is not a section 509(a)(3) supporting organization and its gross receipts are normally not more than \$25,000. A Form 990-EZ or Form 990 return is not required, but if the organization chooses to file a return, be sure to file a complete return.

L Add lines 5b, 6b, and 7b, to line 9 to determine gross receipts; if \$500,000 or more, file Form 990 instead of Form 990-EZ. **\$ 481,293.**

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	467,026.
	2 Program service revenue including government fees and contracts	2	
	3 Membership dues and assessments	3	
	4 Investment income	4	5,365.
	5a Gross amount from sale of assets other than inventory	5a	
	b Less: cost or other basis and sales expenses	5b	
	c Gain or (loss) from sale of assets other than inventory (Subtract line 5b from line 5a)	5c	
	6 Special events and activities (complete applicable parts of Schedule G). If any amount is from gaming, check here ☐		
	a Gross revenue (not including \$ _____ of contributions reported on line 1)	6a	8,827.
	b Less: direct expenses other than fundraising expenses	6b	5,628.
c Net income or (loss) from special events and activities (Subtract line 6b from line 6a)	6c	3,199.	
7a Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances	7a		
b Less: cost of goods sold	7b		
c Gross profit or (loss) from sales of inventory (Subtract line 7b from line 7a)	7c		
8 Other revenue (describe ► SPEAKING FEES INCOME)	8	75.	
9 Total revenue. Add lines 1, 2, 3, 4, 5c, 6c, 7c, and 8	9	475,665.	
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	349,093.
	13 Professional fees and other payments to independent contractors	13	28,155.
	14 Occupancy, rent, utilities, and maintenance	14	28,864.
	15 Printing, publications, postage, and shipping	15	10,671.
	16 Other expenses (describe ► SEE STATEMENT 1)	16	16,557.
	17 Total expenses. Add lines 10 through 16	17	433,340.
Net Assets	18 Excess or (deficit) for the year (Subtract line 17 from line 9)	18	42,325.
	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	381,437.
	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	423,762.

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.)

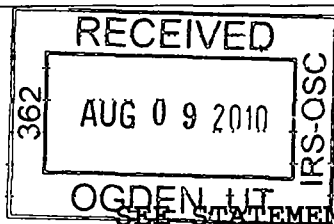
	(A) Beginning of year	(B) End of year
22 Cash, savings, and investments	308,230.	221,389.
23 Land and buildings		
24 Other assets (describe ► SEE STATEMENT 2)	94,862.	225,614.
25 Total assets	403,092.	447,003.
26 Total liabilities (describe ► SEE STATEMENT 3)	21,655.	23,241.
27 Net assets or fund balances (line 27 of column (B) must agree with line 21)	381,437.	423,762.

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

	Yes	No
33 Did the organization engage in any activity not previously reported to the IRS? If "Yes," attach a detailed description of each activity	33	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.		
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	N/A
36 Did the organization undergo a liquidation, dissolution, termination, or significant disposition of net assets during the year? If "Yes," complete applicable parts of Sch. 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. MN		
42a The organization's books are in care of ELLEN TITUS Telephone no. 651-294-0030		
Located at 151 SILVER LAKE ROAD NW, NEW BRIGHTON, MN ZIP + 4 55112-8105		
b At any time during the calendar year, did the organization have an interest in or a signature or other authority over a financial account in a foreign country (such as a bank account, securities account, or other financial account)?	42b	X
If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country: See the instructions for exceptions and filing requirements for Form TD F 90-22.1, Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts.		
c At any time during the calendar year, did the organization maintain an office outside of the U.S.?	42c	X
If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country:		
43 Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts filing Form 990-EZ in lieu of Form 1041 - Check here and enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the tax year	43	N/A
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

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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.

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

	Yes	No
46		X
47	X	
48		X
49a		X
49b		

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

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

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

(a) Name and address of each independent contractor paid more than \$100,000	(b) Type of service	(c) Compensation
NONE		

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

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 <i>Kristina Homsback</i>	Date 7-28-10	
Paid Preparer's Use Only	Type of principal name and title <i>Kristina Homsback, President</i>		
	Preparer's signature <i>Chris Rogers</i>	Date 7/22/10	Check if self-employed ☐
	Firm's name (or yours if self-employed), address, and ZIP + 4 ROGERS AND COMPANY 431 SOUTH SEVENTH STREET, SUITE 2424 MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55415	EIN	Preparer's identifying number (See instr.)
		Phone no. (612) 332-5446	

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

☐ Yes ☒ No

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Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

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

ALLIANCE FOR METROPOLITAN STABILITY

Employer identification number

41-1977419

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

(i) A person who directly or indirectly controls, either alone or together with persons described in (ii) and (iii) below, the governing body of the supported organization? ☐

(ii) A family member of a person described in (i) above? ☐

(iii) A 35% controlled entity of a person described in (i) or (ii) above? ☐

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

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Schedule A (Form 990 or 990-EZ) 2009

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.")	401,519.	640,080.	162,914.	350,041.	467,026.	2021580.
2 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf						
3 The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge						
4 Total. Add lines 1 through 3	401,519.	640,080.	162,914.	350,041.	467,026.	2021580.
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)						1107685.
6 Public support. Subtract line 5 from line 4						913,895.

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	401,519.	640,080.	162,914.	350,041.	467,026.	2021580.
8 Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources	4,150.	7,705.	9,295.	7,966.	5,365.	34,481.
9 Net income from unrelated business activities, whether or not the business is regularly carried on						
10 Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part IV.)		6,000.	450.	1,750.	8,902.	17,102.
11 Total support. Add lines 7 through 10						2073163.
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	44.08	%
15 Public support percentage from 2008 Schedule A, Part II, line 14	15	40.46	%
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			☐

Schedule A (Form 990 or 990-EZ) 2009

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.")						
2 Gross receipts from admissions, merchandise sold or services performed, or facilities furnished in any activity that is related to the organization's tax-exempt purpose						
3 Gross receipts from activities that are not an unrelated trade or business under section 513						
4 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf						
5 The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge						
6 Total. Add lines 1 through 5						
7a Amounts included on lines 1, 2, and 3 received from disqualified persons						
b Amounts included on lines 2 and 3 received from other than disqualified persons that exceed the greater of \$5,000 or 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 year 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 from similar sources						
b Unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 taxes) from businesses acquired after June 30, 1975						
c Add lines 10a and 10b						
11 Net income from unrelated business activities not included in line 10b, whether or not the business is regularly carried on						
12 Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part IV.)						
13 Total support (Add lines 9, 10c, 11, and 12)						
14 First five years. If the Form 990 is for the organization's first, second, third, fourth, or fifth tax year as a section 501(c)(3) organization, check this box and stop here						☐

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 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 ☐

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

ALLIANCE FOR METROPOLITAN STABILITY

Employer identification number

41-1977419

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

▶ \$

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-

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Schedule C (Form 990 or 990-EZ) 2009

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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)		1,780.													
b Total lobbying expenditures to influence a legislative body (direct lobbying)		7,145.													
c Total lobbying expenditures (add lines 1a and 1b)		8,925.													
d Other exempt purpose expenditures		430,043.													
e Total exempt purpose expenditures (add lines 1c and 1d)		438,968.													
f Lobbying nontaxable amount. Enter the amount from the following table in both columns.		87,794.													
<table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>If the amount on line 1e, column (a) or (b) is:</th> <th>The lobbying nontaxable amount is:</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Not over \$500,000</td> <td>20% of the amount on line 1e.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Over \$500,000 but not over \$1,000,000</td> <td>\$100,000 plus 15% of the excess over \$500,000.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Over \$1,000,000 but not over \$1,500,000</td> <td>\$175,000 plus 10% of the excess over \$1,000,000.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Over \$1,500,000 but not over \$17,000,000</td> <td>\$225,000 plus 5% of the excess over \$1,500,000.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Over \$17,000,000</td> <td>\$1,000,000.</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>		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.		
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)		21,949.													
h Subtract line 1g from line 1a. If zero or less, enter -0-		0.													
i Subtract line 1f from line 1c. If zero or less, enter -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	87,364.	77,374.	76,454.	87,794.	328,986.
b Lobbying ceiling amount (150% of line 2a, column(e))					493,479.
c Total lobbying expenditures	5,029.	3,756.	10,921.	8,925.	28,631.
d Grassroots nontaxable amount	21,841.	19,344.	19,114.	21,949.	82,248.
e Grassroots ceiling amount (150% of line 2d, column (e))					123,372.
f Grassroots lobbying expenditures	547.	736.	1,638.	1,780.	4,701.

Schedule C (Form 990 or 990-EZ) 2009

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)		(b)
	Yes	No	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?			
b Paid staff or management (include compensation in expenses reported on lines 1c through 1i)?			
c Media advertisements?			
d Mailings to members, legislators, or the public?			
e Publications, or published or broadcast statements?			
f Grants to other organizations for lobbying purposes?			
g Direct contact with legislators, their staffs, government officials, or a legislative body?			
h Rallies, demonstrations, seminars, conventions, speeches, lectures, or any similar means?			
i Other activities? If "Yes," describe in Part IV			
j Total. Add lines 1c through 1i			
2a Did the activities in line 1 cause the organization to be not described in section 501(c)(3)?			
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?			

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	
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.

FORM 990-EZ	OTHER EXPENSES	STATEMENT	1
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DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
TRAVEL EXPENSE	5,946.
CONFERENCES AND MEETINGS EXPENSE	1,695.
ORGANIZING EVENTS EXPENSE	2,448.
MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSE	6,468.
TOTAL TO FORM 990-EZ, LINE 16	16,557.

FORM 990-EZ	OTHER ASSETS	STATEMENT	2
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DESCRIPTION	BEG. OF YEAR	END OF YEAR
PREPAID EXPENSES	6,410.	8,101.
ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE	0.	750.
GRANTS RECEIVABLE	70,000.	215,000.
GRANTS RECEIVABLE LONG TERM	15,000.	0.
SECURITY DEPOSIT	1,200.	1,200.
OTHER DEPRECIABLE ASSETS	2,252.	563.
TOTAL TO FORM 990-EZ, LINE 24	94,862.	225,614.

FORM 990-EZ	OTHER LIABILITIES	STATEMENT	3
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DESCRIPTION	BEG. OF YEAR	END OF YEAR
ACCOUNTS PAYABLE	5,353.	4,966.
ACCRUED EXPENSES	16,302.	18,275.
TOTAL TO FORM 990-EZ, LINE 26	21,655.	23,241.

FORM 990-EZ

INFORMATION REGARDING TRANSFERS
ASSOCIATED WITH PERSONAL BENEFIT CONTRACTS

STATEMENT 4

- A) DID THE ORGANIZATION, DURING THE YEAR, RECEIVE ANY FUNDS,
DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY, TO PAY PREMIUMS ON A PERSONAL
BENEFIT CONTRACT? [] YES [X] NO
- B) DID THE ORGANIZATION, DURING THE YEAR, PAY PREMIUMS,
DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY, ON A PERSONAL BENEFIT CONTRACT? . . [] YES [X] NO

THE EQUITABLE DEVELOPMENT ORGANIZING PROJECT (EDOP) CONNECTS AND BUILDS UPON THE POWER OF A WIDE VARIETY OF CONSTITUENCIES TO PROMOTE MORE JUST AND SUSTAINABLE REGIONAL GROWTH AND DEVELOPMENT. WE DO THIS BY PROVIDING CAPACITY BUILDING SUPPORT, SHARING INFORMATION, CULTIVATING RELATIONSHIPS BETWEEN GROUPS WORKING ON COMPLEX ISSUES, PROVIDING ORGANIZING ASSISTANCE TO GRASSROOTS CAMPAIGNS AND COMMUNICATING ABOUT THE INTERCONNECTIONS IN OUR REGION.

AS PART OF THE EDOP, THE ALLIANCE STARTED A NEW WORKING GROUP IN 2009 CALLED REGIONAL TRANSITWAYS. THIS GROUP OF 24 ORGANIZATIONS BRINGS TOGETHER ORGANIZERS AND ADVOCATES FOR TRANSIT, AFFORDABLE HOUSING, ENVIRONMENT AND ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE COMMUNITIES THAT ARE WORKING ON THE FUTURE IMPACTS OF TRANSITWAY DEVELOPMENT IN THE TWIN CITIES. OUR ROLE IS TO CONVENE AND FACILITATE THE MEETINGS, ORGANIZE MEMBERS TOWARD TANGIBLE CAMPAIGNS AND ENSURE LOCAL COMMUNITIES ARE INFORMED ABOUT TRANSITWAY DEVELOPMENT AND HOW TO INFLUENCE DECISION-MAKING PROCESSES. EQUALLY IMPORTANT, WE ENSURE THAT THE EXPERIENCES OF LOCAL COMMUNITIES INFORM THE LARGER GROUP'S ANALYSES AND POSITIONS. THE PURPOSE OF THIS GROUP IS TO ENSURE EQUITABLE DEVELOPMENT OUTCOMES RESULT FROM THE BUILD OUT OF THESE CORRIDORS.

ALLIANCE STAFF ALSO SUPPORTED MEMBER GROUP ALL PARKS ALLIANCE FOR CHANGE IN ORGANIZING A SERIES OF STAKEHOLDER MEETINGS THAT RESULTED IN A PUBLIC-PRIVATE AGREEMENT DESIGNED TO ENSURE EQUITABLE REIMBURSEMENT ISSUES ARISING WHEN MANUFACTURED HOME RESIDENTS ARE DISPLACED BY STATE ROAD PROJECTS.

FURTHERMORE, WE ARE SUPPORTING THE BUILDING OUR COMMUNITY COALITION IN PURSUING AN EQUAL ACCESS PROJECT TARGETING MINORITY CONTRACTING EFFORTS AT THE CITY OF BROOKLYN PARK. BROOKLYN PARK IS ONE OF THE TWIN CITIES MOST DIVERSE SUBURBS, NOW COMPRISED OF MORE THAN 40 PERCENT PEOPLE OF COLOR. THE CITY'S LOCAL GOVERNMENT PROCESSES HAVE NOT CAUGHT UP WITH THE COMMUNITY'S CHANGING DEMOGRAPHICS, AND LOCAL RESIDENTS ARE RAISING CONCERNS ABOUT THE CITY'S COMMITMENT TO HIRING WOMEN AND MINORITY CONTRACTORS. OUR GOAL IS FOR THE CITY TO RECOGNIZE ITS INCREASING DIVERSITY BY SETTING AND MEETING AGGRESSIVE MINORITY HIRING AND CONTRACTING GOALS THAT WILL BENEFIT COMMUNITIES OF COLOR IN BROOKLYN PARK.

OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION-SHARING ACTIVITIES OF THE EDOP INCLUDE:

- 1.) THROUGH OUR ORGANIZER ROUNDTABLES, WE INVITE EXPERT COMMUNITY ORGANIZERS TO PROVIDE BACKGROUND INFORMATION ON SPECIFIC DISCUSSION TOPICS, AND THEN WE FACILITATE A DIALOGUE AMONG PARTICIPANTS TO ENCOURAGE PEER LEARNING. MORE THAN 200 ORGANIZERS ATTENDED ROUNDTABLES IN 2009.
- 2.) WE ALSO BEGAN A SERIES OF METRO ORGANIZER NETWORKING SESSIONS TO HELP LOCAL ORGANIZERS CONNECT WITH THEIR PEERS.
- 3.) WE DEVELOPED THE 2009 REGIONAL EQUITY SERIES, WHICH BROUGHT TOGETHER NATIONAL SPEAKERS WITH LOCAL EXPERTS TO DISCUSS STRATEGIES TO ADDRESS CRITICAL ISSUES FACING OUR COMMUNITIES. MORE THAN 400 PEOPLE ATTENDED THE SERIES. NATIONAL SPEAKERS FOR THIS SERIES INCLUDED MAJORA CARTER (A NATIONALLY RECOGNIZED ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE ADVOCATE) AND ANGELA GLOVER BLACKWELL (POLICYLINK).
- 4.) PUBLISHING THE BIWEEKLY METRO ORGANIZER E-NEWSLETTER AND THE SEMI-ANNUAL COMMON GROUND NEWSLETTER.

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STATEMENT 6

THE EAST METRO ORGANIZING PROJECT ADVANCES EQUITABLE DEVELOPMENT THROUGH GRASSROOTS ORGANIZING IN THE EAST METROPOLITAN AREA OF THE TWIN CITIES.

AS PART OF THIS WORK, THE ALLIANCE IS A MEMBER OF THE STOPS FOR US COALITION, WHICH WAS ADVOCATING TO ADD THREE ADDITIONAL STOPS ALONG THE CENTRAL CORRIDOR LRT. THESE MISSING STOPS WOULD SERVE TRANSIT-DEPENDENT COMMUNITIES ALONG EAST UNIVERSITY AVENUE. AFTER MORE THAN THREE YEARS OF WORKING TOGETHER, THE COALITION ACHIEVED A MAJOR VICTORY IN THE FALL, WHEN THE CITY OF ST. PAUL COMMITTED \$5.2 MILLION TO FUND THE COMPLETE BUILD-OUT OF ONE OF THE THREE MISSING STATIONS. WE ALSO HELPED COALITION MEMBERS EDUCATE LOCAL AND FEDERAL DECISION-MAKERS ABOUT THE NEED FOR THE STOPS. OUR EFFORTS HELPED SECURE A MAJOR CHANGE IN FEDERAL POLICY WHICH WOULD ALLOW COMMUNITIES MORE FLEXIBILITY IN DESIGNING SUSTAINABLE AND EQUITABLE PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION NETWORKS. THIS RULE CHANGE RESULTED IN A COMMITMENT FROM LOCAL STAKEHOLDERS TO BUILD ALL THREE MISSING STATIONS IN EARLY 2010.

WE HAVE ALSO SECURED THE SUPPORT OF THE CITY OF ST. PAUL FOR OUR RACIAL EQUITY IMPACT POLICY. THIS WILL BRING RACIAL EQUITY CRITERIA TOGETHER IN ONE PLACE FOR CITY STAFF, CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS AND DISTRICT COUNCILS TO REVIEW WHEN CITY SUBSIDIES ARE BEING CONSIDERED FOR NEW DEVELOPMENTS.

HIRE MINNESOTA IS A COALITION OF ORGANIZATIONS WORKING TOGETHER TO ENSURE THAT PUBLIC INVESTMENTS IN INFRASTRUCTURE AND RENEWABLE ENERGY HELP LIFT PEOPLE OUT OF POVERTY, REDUCE RACIAL DISPARITIES AND CONTRIBUTE TO HEALTHIER COMMUNITIES FOR ALL OF US. HIRE MINNESOTA HAS UNITED MORE THAN 70 COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS IN A BROAD AND POWERFUL COALITION TO CHANGE THE WAY OUR PUBLIC INVESTMENTS ARE MADE. WE BELIEVE OUR PUBLIC INVESTMENTS SHOULD NOT ONLY JUMP-START OUR AILING ECONOMY, THEY SHOULD PROVIDE ACCESS FOR ALL PEOPLE TO JOBS, TRAINING AND FAMILY-SUPPORTING WAGES. IN ADDITION, HIRE MINNESOTA PROMOTES PUBLIC INVESTMENTS THAT CAN CONTRIBUTE TO OUR COMMUNITIES IN OTHER WAYS, SUCH AS REBUILDING OUR INFRASTRUCTURE AND REDUCING THE HARMFUL EFFECTS OF CLIMATE CHANGE.

HIRE MINNESOTA HAD MANY ACCOMPLISHMENTS IN ITS FIRST YEAR. WE HELD SEVERAL TOWN HALL MEETINGS IN DIVERSE TWIN CITIES COMMUNITIES, WHICH DREW MORE THAN 1,000 PEOPLE. OUR GRASSROOTS ORGANIZING STRATEGY ALSO HELPED US BUILD A STRONG COALITION AND BRING HUNDREDS OF PEOPLE TO THE LEGISLATURE AND STATE AGENCIES TO DEMAND GREEN JOBS AND HIRING EQUITY. THIS YEAR, HIRE MINNESOTA SECURED \$2.5 MILLION FOR GREEN JOBS TRAINING PROGRAMS AND COMMUNITY OUTREACH ABOUT ENERGY-EFFICIENCY PROGRAMS, FROM A MAJOR INFLUX OF ENERGY STIMULUS MONEY COMING INTO MINNESOTA. THIS WAS A HARD-FOUGHT VICTORY THAT PROVED THE VALUE OF BRINGING DIVERSE COMMUNITY MEMBERS TO THE LEGISLATURE TO SPEAK FOR THEMSELVES ABOUT THE WAY HIGH UNEMPLOYMENT RATES AMONG PEOPLE OF COLOR ARE AFFECTING THEIR LIVES AND THEIR COMMUNITIES. ONE LEGISLATOR TOLD US THAT WITHOUT HIRE MINNESOTA, NO ONE AT THE CAPITOL WOULD HAVE BEEN TALKING ABOUT EQUITY ISSUES IN THE WAY STIMULUS DOLLARS WERE SPENT IN OUR STATE.

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STATEMENT 8

THE ALLIANCE FOR METROPOLITAN STABILITY ADVANCES RACIAL, ECONOMIC AND ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE IN THE WAY GROWTH AND DEVELOPMENT OCCURS IN THE TWIN CITIES REGION.

FORM 990-EZ	EXPLANATION OF BUSINESS INCOME NOT REPORTED ON FORM 990-T PART V, LINE 35	STATEMENT	9
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LINE 6A CONTAINS INCOME FROM ADVERTISING THAT APPEARED IN THE PROGRAM BOOKLET CELEBRATING OUR ORGANIZATION'S 15 YEAR ANNIVERSARY. WE HAVE NOT REPORTED ADVERTISING ON A FORM 990-T BECAUSE WE DO NOT CONSIDER THIS TO BE "REGULARLY CARRIED ON" ACCORDING TO IRC SECTION 512 (A)(1). THIS ADVERTISING WAS ONLY SOLICITED TO SUPPORT THE COST OF CELEBRATING 15 YEARS OF PUBLIC SERVICE. WE DO NOT SOLICIT ADVERTISING AS PART OF ANY NORMAL ASPECT OF OUR BUSINESS.

Application for Extension of Time To File an
Exempt Organization Return

OMB No. 1545-1709

▶ File a separate application for each return

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

Do not complete Part II unless you have already been granted an automatic 3-month extension on a previously filed Form 8868.

Part I Automatic 3-Month Extension of Time. Only submit original (no copies needed).

A corporation required to file Form 990-T and requesting an automatic 6-month extension - check this box and complete

Part I only ☐

All other corporations (including 1120-C filers), partnerships, REMICs, and trusts must use Form 7004 to request an extension of time to file income tax returns.

Electronic Filing (e-file). Generally, you can electronically file Form 8868 if you want a 3-month automatic extension of time to file one of the returns noted below (6 months for a corporation required to file Form 990-T). However, you cannot file Form 8868 electronically if (1) you want the additional (not automatic) 3-month extension or (2) you file Forms 990-BL, 6069, or 8870, group returns, or a composite or consolidated Form 990-T. Instead, you must submit the fully completed and signed page 2 (Part II) of Form 8868. For more details on the electronic filing of this form, visit www.irs.gov/efile and click on e-file for Charities & Nonprofits.

Type or print	Name of Exempt Organization ALLIANCE FOR METROPOLITAN STABILITY	Employer identification number 41-1977419
File by the due date for filing your return. See instructions	Number, street, and room or suite no. If a P.O. box, see instructions. 2525 EAST FRANKLIN AVENUE, NO. 200	
	City, town or post office, state, and ZIP code. For a foreign address, see instructions. MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55406	

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

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

- The books are in the care of ▶ **ELLEN TITUS**

Telephone No. ▶ **651-294-0030**FAX No. ▶ **651-294-0031**

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

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

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

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

Caution. If you are going to make an electronic fund withdrawal with this Form 8868, see Form 8453-EO and Form 8879-EO for payment instructions.

LHA For Privacy Act and Paperwork Reduction Act Notice, see Instructions.

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