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## Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

2009

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue ServiceUnder 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.

Open to Public Inspection

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

<b>B</b> Check if applicable <input type="checkbox"/> Address change <input type="checkbox"/> Name change <input type="checkbox"/> Initial return <input type="checkbox"/> Termination <input type="checkbox"/> Amended return <input type="checkbox"/> Application pending		<b>C</b> Please use IRS label or print or type. See specific instructions. <b>Aitkin Fire Dept. Relief Association</b> <b>109 1st Ave NW</b> <b>Aitkin, MN 56431</b>		<b>D</b> Employer identification number <b>41-6040820</b>	
				<b>E</b> Telephone number <b>(218) 927-7403</b>	
				<b>G</b> Gross receipts \$ <b>934,385.</b>	
		<b>F</b> Name and address of principal officer <b>Same As C Above</b>		<b>H(a)</b> Is this a group return for affiliates? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <b>H(b)</b> Are all affiliates included? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No If 'No,' attach a list (see instructions)	
<b>I</b> Tax-exempt status <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 501(c) ( 4 ) (insert no) <input type="checkbox"/> 4947(a)(1) or <input type="checkbox"/> 527		<b>J</b> Website: <b>N/A</b>			
<b>K</b> Form of organization <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Corporation <input type="checkbox"/> Trust <input type="checkbox"/> Association <input type="checkbox"/> Other		<b>L</b> Year of Formation <b>1883</b>		<b>M</b> State of legal domicile <b>MN</b>	

## Part I Summary

Activities & Governance	1 Briefly describe the organization's mission or most significant activities: <u>Provide pension and benefits to members</u>		
	2 Check this box <input type="checkbox"/> if the organization discontinued its operations or disposed of more than 25% of its assets		
	3 Number of voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1a)	9	
	4 Number of independent voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1b)	8	
	5 Total number of employees (Part V, line 2a)	3	
	6 Total number of volunteers (estimate if necessary)	26	
Revenue	7a Total gross unrelated business revenue from Part VIII, column (C), line 12	-490.	
	b Net unrelated business taxable income from Form 990-T, line 34	-490.	
	8 Contributions and grants (Part VIII, line 1h)	Prior Year 50,503. Current Year 49,581.	
	9 Program service revenue (Part VIII, line 2g)		
	10 Investment income (Part VIII, column (A), lines 3, 4, and 7d)	23,365. -33,667.	
	11 Other revenue (Part VIII, column (A), lines 5, 6d, 8c, 9c, 10c, and 1e)	3,809. 10,317.	
	12 Total revenue - add lines 8 through 11 (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	77,677. 26,231.	
	Expenses	13 Grants and similar amounts paid (Part IX, column (A), lines 1-3)	17,330.
		14 Benefits paid to or for members (Part IX, column (A), line 4)	128,000. 114,874.
		15 Salaries, other compensation, employee benefits (Part IX, column (A), lines 5-10)	5,400.
16a Professional fundraising fees (Part IX, column (A), line 11e)			
b Total fundraising expenses (Part IX, column (D), line 25)			
17 Other expenses (Part IX, column (A), lines 11a-11d, 11f-24f)		17,004. -7,018.	
18 Total expenses Add lines 13-17 (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)		145,004. 130,586.	
19 Revenue less expenses Subtract line 18 from line 12		-67,327. -104,355.	
Net Assets or Fund Balances	20 Total assets (Part X, line 16)	Beginning of Year 499,753. End of Year 475,216.	
	21 Total liabilities (Part X, line 26)	41,762. 2,281.	
	22 Net assets or fund balances Subtract line 21 from line 20	457,991. 472,935.	

## Part II Signature Block

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.	
	<b>Signature of officer</b> <u>Daniel C. Jones</u> <b>Daniel C. Jones</b> President Type or print name and title	<b>Date</b> <b>7/14/10</b>
Paid Preparer's Use Only	<b>Preparer's signature</b> <u>Hugh D. Heinecke II, CPA</u> <b>Hugh D. Heinecke II</b>	<b>Date</b> <b>7/12/10</b>
	<b>Firm's name (or yours if self-employed), address, and ZIP + 4</b> <b>Hugh Heinecke, CPA</b> <b>38 Minnesota Ave. South</b> <b>Aitkin, MN 56431-1621</b>	<b>Check if self-employed</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Preparer's identifying number (see instructions)</b> <b>N/A</b>
	<b>EIN</b> <b>N/A</b> <b>Phone no</b> <b>218-927-6111</b>	

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.

Provide pension and benefits to members.

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 \$ 122,093. including grants of \$ 114,874.) (Revenue \$ -33,640.)Maintenance and management of invested funds to provide retirement, disability, or death benefits to members and families. 4 members received retirement benefits in 2009. Funds are invested and managed to provide future benefits for 26 active firefighters.4b (Code:       ) (Expenses \$ 8,493. including grants of \$           ) (Revenue \$ 10,780.)Foster member education and activities with meetings, training, supplies and miscellaneous expenses for 26 active firefighters in service to the Aitkin MN Fire Dept.4c (Code:       ) (Expenses \$            including grants of \$ 17,330.) (Revenue \$ -490.)Raised funds in support of local government entities, schools, charities, local community activities, scholarships, and needy individuals by selling pull-tabs under State of Minnesota license at two licensed sites. Results from this operation are reported on Part VIII, Line 9 and Part IX, Lines 1-5. (Double reporting of grants is reversed by Part IX, Line 24 entry.

4d Other program services. (Describe in Schedule O)

(Expenses \$            including grants of \$           ) (Revenue \$           )4e Total program service expenses 130,586.

**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		X
2 Is the organization required to complete Schedule B, Schedule of Contributors?	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		X
4 <b>Section 501(c)(3) organizations</b> Did the organization engage in lobbying activities? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule C, Part II		
5 <b>Section 501(c)(4), 501(c)(5), and 501(c)(6) organizations.</b> Is the organization subject to the section 6033(e) notice and reporting requirement and proxy tax? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule C, Part III		X
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		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		X
8 Did the organization maintain collections of works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule D, Part III		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		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		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		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 statement for the tax year? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule D, Parts XI, XII, and XIII		X
12A Was the organization included in consolidated, independent audited financial statement for the tax year? If 'Yes,' completing Schedule D, Parts XI, XII, and XIII is optional	Yes	No
		X
13 Is the organization a school described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule E		X
14a Did the organization maintain an office, employees, or agents outside of the United States?		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		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		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		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		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	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	X	
20 Did the organization operate one or more hospitals? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule H		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	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		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...		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, and that was issued after December 31, 2002? If 'Yes,' answer lines 24b through 24d and complete Schedule K. If 'No,' go to line 25		X
b Did the organization invest any proceeds of tax-exempt bonds beyond a temporary period exception?		
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?		
d Did the organization act as an 'on behalf of' issuer for bonds outstanding at any time during the year?		
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		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		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		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		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		X
b A family member of a current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule L, Part IV		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		X
29 Did the organization receive more than \$25,000 in non-cash contributions? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule M		X
30 Did the organization receive contributions of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets, or qualified conservation contributions? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule M.		X
31 Did the organization liquidate, terminate, or dissolve and cease operations? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule N, Part I		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		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		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		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		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		
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		X
38 Did the organization complete Schedule O and provide explanations in Schedule O for Part VI, lines 11 and 19? <b>Note.</b> All Form 990 filers are required to complete Schedule O	X	

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**Part V** Statements Regarding Other IRS Filings and Tax Compliance

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

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**Part VII 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
<b>1a</b> Enter the number of voting members of the governing body . . . . .	9	
<b>1b</b> Enter the number of voting members that are independent . . . . .	8	
<b>2</b> Did any officer, director, trustee, or key employee have a family relationship or a business relationship with any other officer, director, trustee or key employee?		X
<b>3</b> Did the organization delegate control over management duties customarily performed by or under the direct supervision of officers, directors or trustees, or key employees to a management company or other person?		X
<b>4</b> Did the organization make any significant changes to its organizational documents since the prior Form 990 was filed?		X
<b>5</b> Did the organization become aware during the year of a material diversion of the organization's assets?		X
<b>6</b> Does the organization have members or stockholders? See Schedule O . . . . .	X	
<b>7a</b> Does the organization have members, stockholders, or other persons who may elect one or more members of the governing body? See Schedule O . . . . .	X	
<b>7b</b> Are any decisions of the governing body subject to approval by members, stockholders, or other persons? See Sch O . . . . .	X	
<b>8</b> Did the organization contemporaneously document the meetings held or written actions undertaken during the year by the following:		
<b>a</b> The governing body? . . . . .	X	
<b>b</b> Each committee with authority to act on behalf of the governing body? . . . . .	X	
<b>9</b> Is there any officer, director or trustee, or key employee listed in Part VII, Section A, who cannot be reached at the organization's mailing address? If 'Yes,' provide the names and addresses in Schedule O . . . . .		X

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

	Yes	No
<b>10a</b> Does the organization have local chapters, branches, or affiliates?		X
<b>b</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?		
<b>11</b> Has the organization provided a copy of this Form 990 to all members of its governing body before filing the form?		X
<b>11A</b> Describe in Schedule O the process, if any, used by the organization to review this Form 990. See Schedule O . . . . .		
<b>12a</b> Does the organization have a written conflict of interest policy? If 'No,' go to line 13		X
<b>b</b> Are officers, directors or trustees, and key employees required to disclose annually interests that could give rise to conflicts? . . . . .		
<b>c</b> Does the organization regularly and consistently monitor and enforce compliance with the policy? If 'Yes,' describe in Schedule O how this is done . . . . .		
<b>13</b> Does the organization have a written whistleblower policy?		X
<b>14</b> Does the organization have a written document retention and destruction policy?		X
<b>15</b> 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?		
<b>a</b> The organization's CEO, Executive Director, or top management official . . . . .		X
<b>b</b> Other officers or key employees of the organization . . . . .		X
If 'Yes' to line 15a or 15b, describe the process in Schedule O (See instructions ) . . . . .		
<b>16a</b> Did the organization invest in, contribute assets to, or participate in a joint venture or similar arrangement with a taxable entity during the year?		X
<b>b</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? . . . . .		

**Section C. Disclosures**

**17** List the states with which a copy of this Form 990 is required to be filed ► MN

**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. See Schedule O . . . . .

**20** State the name, physical address, and telephone number of the person who possesses the books and records of the organization  
 ► K.Hagestuen/J.Rikala/M.Arnold Aitkin, MN 56431 218-927-2527





**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
<b>CONTRIBUTIONS, GIFTS, GRANTS AND OTHER SIMILAR AMOUNTS</b>	1a Federated campaigns	1a				
	b Membership dues	1b				
	c Fundraising events	1c				
	d Related organizations	1d				
	e Government grants (contributions)	1e	49,581.			
	f All other contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts not included above	1f				
	g Noncash contribns included in lns 1a-1f:	\$				
	<b>h Total.</b> Add lines 1a-1f		49,581.			
<b>PROGRAM SERVICE REVENUE</b>	Business Code					
	2a					
	b					
	c					
	d					
	e					
	f All other program service revenue					
	<b>g Total.</b> Add lines 2a-2f					
<b>OTHER REVENUE</b>	3 Investment income (including dividends, interest and other similar amounts)		6,239.	6,239.	.	
	4 Income from investment of tax-exempt bond proceeds					
	5 Royalties					
	6a Gross Rents	(i) Real (ii) Personal				
	b Less: rental expenses					
	c Rental income or (loss)					
	d Net rental income or (loss)					
	7a Gross amount from sales of assets other than inventory	(i) Securities (ii) Other	391,915.	.		
	b Less: cost or other basis and sales expenses		431,821.			
	c Gain or (loss)		-39,906.			
	d Net gain or (loss)		-39,906.	-39,906.	.	
	8a Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ of contributions reported on line 1c) See Part IV, line 18	a	20,702.			
	b Less: direct expenses	b	9,922.			
	c Net income or (loss) from fundraising events		10,780.			10,780.
	9a Gross income from gaming activities. See Part IV, line 19	a	465,921.			
	b Less: direct expenses	b	466,411.			
	c Net income or (loss) from gaming activities		-490.	.	-490.	
	10a Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances	a				
	b Less: cost of goods sold	b				
	c Net income or (loss) from sales of inventory					
Miscellaneous Revenue		Business Code				
11a Miscellaneous		27.	.	27.	.	
b						
c						
d All other revenue						
e Total. Add lines 11a-11d		27.				
12 Total revenue. See instructions		26,231.	-33,640.	-490.	10,780.	

**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).

<i>Do not include amounts reported on lines 6b, 7b, 8b, 9b, and 10b of Part VIII.</i>	(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	15,130.	15,130.		
2 Grants and other assistance to individuals in the U.S. See Part IV, line 22	2,200.	2,200.		
3 Grants and other assistance to governments, organizations, and individuals outside the U.S. See Part IV, lines 15 and 16				
4 Benefits paid to or for members	114,874.	114,874.		
5 Compensation of current officers, directors, trustees, and key employees	5,400.	5,400.	0.	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.	0.	0.	0.
7 Other salaries and wages				
8 Pension plan contributions (include section 401(k) and section 403(b) employer contributions)				
9 Other employee benefits				
10 Payroll taxes				
11 Fees for services (non-employees)				
a Management				
b Legal				
c Accounting	2,685.	2,685.		
d Lobbying				
e Prof fundraising svcs See Part IV, ln 17				
f Investment management fees	5,618.	5,618.		
g Other				
12 Advertising and promotion				
13 Office expenses				
14 Information technology				
15 Royalties				
16 Occupancy				
17 Travel				
18 Payments of travel or entertainment expenses for any federal, state, or local public officials				
19 Conferences, conventions, and meetings	7,066.	7,066.		
20 Interest				
21 Payments to affiliates				
22 Depreciation, depletion, and amortization				
23 Insurance				
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 Supplies/gifts/flowers	277.	277.		
b Bank Charges	41.	41.		
c State registration fee	25.	25.		
d Wages rpt on Part VIII Ln 9b	-5,400.	-5,400.		
e Grants rpt on Part I Line 6b	-17,330.	-17,330.		
f All other expenses				
25 Total functional expenses. Add lines 1 through 24f	130,586.	130,586.	0.	0.
26 Joint costs. Check here <input type="checkbox"/> 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
<b>ASSETS</b>	1 Cash — non-interest-bearing	65,189.	1	24,156.
	2 Savings and temporary cash investments		2	
	3 Pledges and grants receivable, net		3	
	4 Accounts receivable, net	3,000.	4	4,898.
	5 Receivables from current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, and highest compensated employees. Complete Part II of Schedule L		5	
	6 Receivables from other disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)) and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B). Complete Part II of Schedule L		6	
	7 Notes and loans receivable, net		7	
	8 Inventories for sale or use	930.	8	902.
	9 Prepaid expenses and deferred charges		9	
	10a Land, buildings, and equipment cost or other basis. Complete Part VI of Schedule D	10a 11,025.		
	b Less accumulated depreciation.	10b 11,025.	10c	
	11 Investments — publicly-traded securities	430,494.	11	445,200.
	12 Investments — other securities. See Part IV, line 11		12	
	13 Investments — program-related. See Part IV, line 11		13	
	14 Intangible assets		14	
	15 Other assets. See Part IV, line 11	140.	15	60.
16 <b>Total assets.</b> Add lines 1 through 15 (must equal line 34)	499,753.	16	475,216.	
<b>LIABILITIES</b>	17 Accounts payable and accrued expenses	41,216.	17	2,281.
	18 Grants payable		18	
	19 Deferred revenue	546.	19	
	20 Tax-exempt bond liabilities		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		22	
	23 Secured mortgages and notes payable to unrelated third parties		23	
	24 Unsecured notes and loans payable to unrelated third parties		24	
	25 Other liabilities. Complete Part X of Schedule D		25	
	26 <b>Total liabilities.</b> Add lines 17 through 25	41,762.	26	2,281.
<b>NET ASSETS OR FUND BALANCES</b>	<b>Organizations that follow SFAS 117, check here</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>and complete lines 27 through 29 and lines 33 and 34.</b>			
	27 Unrestricted net assets	3,658.	27	5,948.
	28 Temporarily restricted net assets	454,333.	28	466,987.
	29 Permanently restricted net assets		29	
	<b>Organizations that do not follow SFAS 117, check here</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>and complete lines 30 through 34.</b>			
	30 Capital stock or trust principal, or current funds		30	
	31 Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, building, and equipment fund		31	
	32 Retained earnings, endowment, accumulated income, or other funds		32	
	33 Total net assets or fund balances	457,991.	33	472,935.
34 <b>Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances.</b>	499,753.	34	475,216.	

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**Part XI Financial Statements and Reporting**

1 Accounting method used to prepare the Form 990 ☐ Cash ☐ Accrual ☒ Other See Sch. O

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?

b Were the organization's financial statements audited by an independent accountant?

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

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?

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

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

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Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

**Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' to Form 990, Part IV, lines 17, 18, or 19, or if the organization entered more than \$15,000 on Form 990-EZ, line 6a.**  
**▶ Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ. ▶ See separate instructions.**

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**Open to Public Inspection**

41-6040820

**Fundraising Activities.** Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' to Form 990, Part IV, line 17. Form 990EZ filers are not required to complete this part.

- ☐ Solicitation of non-government grants
- ☐ Solicitation of government grants
- ☐ Special fundraising events

☐ Yes ☒ No

3 List all states in which the organization is registered or licensed to solicit funds or has been notified it is exempt from registration or licensing

**Part II Fundraising Events.** Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' to Form 990, Part IV, line 18, or reported more than \$15,000 on Form 990-EZ, line 6a. List events with gross receipts greater than \$5,000.

REVENUE		(a) Event #1	(b) Event #2	(c) Other Events	(d) Total Events
		General Fundra (event type)	(event type)	(total number)	(Add col. (a) through col. (c))
	1 Gross receipts	20,702.			20,702.
	2 Less Charitable contributions				
	3 Gross income (line 1 minus line 2)	20,702.			20,702.
DIRECT EXPENSES	4 Cash prizes				
	5 Noncash prizes				
	6 Rent/facility costs				
	7 Food and beverages				
	8 Entertainment				
	9 Other direct expenses	9,922.			9,922.
	10 Direct expense summary Add lines 4- through 9 in column (d)				9,922.
	11 Net income summary Combine lines 3, column (d) and line 10				10,780.

**Part III Gaming.** Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' to Form 990, Part IV, line 19, or reported more than \$15,000 on Form 990-EZ, line 6a.

REVENUE		(a) Bingo	(b) Pull tabs/Instant bingo/progressive bingo	(c) Other gaming	(d) Total gaming
					(Add col. (a) through col. (c))
DIRECT EXPENSES	1 Gross revenue		465,921.		465,921.
	2 Cash prizes		390,997.		390,997.
	3 Non-cash prizes				
	4 Rent/facility costs		11,666.		11,666.
	5 Other direct expenses		63,748.		63,748.
	6 Volunteer labor	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No 0 %	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No 0 %	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No 0 %	
	7 Direct expense summary. Add lines 2 through 5 in column (d)				466,411.
	8 Net gaming income summary Combine lines 1, column (d) and line 7				-490.

9 Enter the state(s) in which the organization operates gaming activities MN

a Is the organization licensed to operate gaming activities in each of these states?

b If 'No,' explain.

10a Were any of the organization's gaming licenses revoked, suspended or terminated during the tax year?

b If 'Yes,' explain.

11 Does the organization operate gaming activities with nonmembers?

12 Is the organization a grantor, beneficiary or trustee of a trust or a member of a partnership or other entity formed to administer charitable gaming?

	YES	NO
9a	X	
10a		X
11	X	
12		X

**13** Indicate the percentage of gaming activity operated in**a** The organization's facility**13a**

%

**b** An outside facility**13b**

100.0 %

**14** Enter the name and address of the person who prepares the organization's gaming/special events books and recordsName ▶ Mike ArnoldAddress ▶ 109 1st Ave NW, Aitkin, MN 56431**15a** Does the organization have a contact with a third party from whom the organization receives gaming revenue?**15a****b** If 'Yes,' enter the amount of gaming revenue received by the organization \$ \_\_\_\_\_ and the amount of gaming revenue retained by the third party \$ \_\_\_\_\_**c** If 'Yes,' enter name and address of the third party

Name. ▶ \_\_\_\_\_

Address. ▶ \_\_\_\_\_

**16** Gaming manager informationName ▶ Mike ArnoldGaming manager compensation ▶ \$ 5,400.Description of services provided. ▶ Overall management and supervision☐ Director/officer☒ Employee☐ Independent contractor**17** Mandatory distributions**a** Is the organization required under state law to make charitable distributions from the gaming proceeds to retain the state gaming license?**17a****b** Enter the amount of distributions required under state law to be distributed to other exempt organizations or spent in the organization's own exempt activities during the tax year ▶ \$ 17,330. See Supplemental

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

Employer identification number

41-6040820

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

Part IV and Schedule I-1 (Form 990) if additional space is needed

2	Enter total number of section 501(c)(3) and government organizations	.	1
3	Enter total number of other organizations	.	0

Schedule I (Form 990) 2009



**SCHEDULE O**  
**(Form 990)**

**Supplemental Information to Form 990**

OMB No 1545-0047

**2009**

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

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



Name of the organization

Aitkin Fire Dept. Relief Association

Employer identification number

41-6040820

**Form 990, Part VI, Line 6 - Explanation of Classes of Members or Shareholder**

Aitkin Fire Department volunteer firefighters are members of the Aitkin Fire Dept.  
Relief Association.

**Form 990, Part VI, Line 7a - How Members or Shareholders Elect Governing Body**

Members elect officers of the association.

**Form 990, Part VI, Line 7b - Decisions of Governing Body Approval by Members or Shareholders**

Actions subject to approval by members at monthly meetings.

**Form 990, Part VI, Line 11 - Form 990 Review Process**

A copy of form 990 is available upon request at monthly meetings.

**Form 990, Part VI, Line 19 - Other Organization Documents Publicly Available**

Governing documents and financial statements available during monthly meetings at  
Aitkin City Hall upon request.

**Form 990, Part XI, Line 1 - Other Accounting Method**

Mod. Accrual

Name of the organization

Aitkin Fire Dept. Relief Association

Employer identification number

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Aitkin Fire Dept. Relief Association

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**Part III, Line 17b**  
**Distributions Required Under State Law**

Minnesota

	\$	17,330.
Total	\$	<u>17,330.</u>

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

OMB No 1545-1709

► File a separate application for each return.

- If you are filing for an **Automatic 3-Month Extension**, complete only **Part I** and check this box ☒
  - If you are filing for an **Additional (Not Automatic) 3-Month Extension**, complete only **Part II** (on page 2 of this form)
- Do not complete Part II unless** you have already been granted an automatic 3-month extension on a previously filed Form 8868

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

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

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

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

<b>Type or print</b>  File by the due date for filing your return. See instructions.	Name of Exempt Organization <b>AITKIN FIRE DEPARTMENT RELIEF ASSOCIATION</b>	Employer identification number <b>41 6040820</b>	
	Number, street, and room or suite no. If a P.O. box, see instructions. <b>109 FIRST AVENUE NW</b>		
	City, town or post office, state, and ZIP code. For a foreign address, see instructions. <b>AITKIN, MN 56431</b>		

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

- |  |  |                                    |
|--|--|------------------------------------|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form 990 | <input type="checkbox"/> Form 990-T (corporation)                | <input type="checkbox"/> Form 4720 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Form 990-BL         | <input type="checkbox"/> Form 990-T (sec 401(a) or 408(a) trust) | <input type="checkbox"/> Form 5227 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Form 990-EZ         | <input type="checkbox"/> Form 990-T (trust other than above)     | <input type="checkbox"/> Form 6069 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Form 990-PF         | <input type="checkbox"/> Form 1041-A                             | <input type="checkbox"/> Form 8870 |

- The books are in the care of ► **Kurt Hagesteun/ J Rikala/M Arnold**

Telephone No. ► ( **218** ) **927-2169** FAX No ► ( )

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

- 1 I request an automatic 3-month (6 months for a corporation required to file Form 990-T) extension of time until **AUGUST 15**, 20**10**, to file the exempt organization return for the organization named above. The extension is for the organization's return for
- ☒ calendar year 20**09** or
  - ☐ tax year beginning \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_, and ending \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_\_

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

<b>3a</b> 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.	<b>3a</b>	\$	0.00
<b>b</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.	<b>3b</b>	\$	0.00
<b>c Balance Due.</b> 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.	<b>3c</b>	\$	0.00

**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