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Form **990**

# Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

OMB No 1545-0047

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

# 2009

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

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

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, Termination, Amended return, Application pending

**C** Name of organization: **Washington State Transit Associatio**  
Doing Business As: \_\_\_\_\_  
Number and street (or P O box if mail is not delivered to street address): **2629 12th court sw**  
Room/suite: \_\_\_\_\_  
City or town, state or country, and ZIP + 4: **Olympia WA 98502**

**D** Employer identification number: **91-1152629**

**E** Telephone number: **360-786-9734**

**F** Name and address of principal officer: **Geri Beardsley  
2629 12th Court SW  
Olympia WA 98502**

**G** Gross receipts \$: **533,098**

**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)

**I** Tax-exempt status:  501(c) ( **6** ) (insert no)  4947(a)(1) or  527

**J** Website: **WWW.WATRANSIT.COM**

**L** Year of formation: **1981** **M** State of legal domicile: **WA**

Type of organization:  Corporation  Trust  Association  Other

**H(c)** Group exemption number: \_\_\_\_\_

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## Part I Summary

1 Briefly describe the organization's mission or most significant activities  
**THE ORGANIZATION PROMOTES AND ENHANCES PUBLIC TRANSIT FOR THE CITIZENS OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON BY PROMOTING LEGISLATION BENEFICIAL TO PUBLIC TRANSIT, PROMOTING AND ENHANCING THE PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT OF TRANSIT**

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 26**

4 Number of independent voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1b): **4 26**

5 Total number of employees (Part V, line 2a): **5 5**

6 Total number of volunteers (estimate if necessary): **6 50**

7a Total gross unrelated business revenue from Part VIII, column (C), line 12: \_\_\_\_\_

7b Total gross unrelated business taxable income from Form 990-T, line 34: **0**

	Prior Year	Current Year
8 Contributions and grants (Part VIII, line 1h)	467,362	495,931
9 Program service revenue (Part VIII, line 2g)	31,440	37,459
10 Investment income (Part VIII, column (A), lines 3, 4, and 7d)	16,102	2,158
11 Other revenue (Part VIII, column (A), lines 5, 6d, 8c, 9c, 10c, and 11e)	5,061	-2,450
12 Total revenue - add lines 8 through 11 (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	519,965	533,098
13 Grants and similar amounts paid (Part IX, column (A), lines 1-3)		
14 Benefits paid to or for members (Part IX, column (A), line 4)		
15 Salaries, other compensation, employee benefits (Part IX, column (A), lines 5-10)	294,801	158,349
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)	223,602	301,534
18 Total expenses - Add lines 13-17 (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	518,403	459,883
19 Revenue less expenses - Subtract line 18 from line 12	1,562	73,215
	Beginning of Current Year	End of Year
20 Total assets (Part X, line 16)	544,280	556,143
21 Total liabilities (Part X, line 26)	78,876	17,549
22 Net assets or fund balances - Subtract line 21 from line 20	465,404	538,594

## 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: **Geri Beardsley** Date: **9/10/10**  
Signature of officer: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
**GERI BEARDSLEY** EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR  
Type or print name and title

**Paid Preparer's Use Only**

Preparer's signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: **09/09/10** Check if self-employed:  Preparer's identifying number (see instructions): **P01052157**

Firm's name (or yours if self-employed), address, and ZIP + 4: **Davis, Accountanting Auditing Services  
5934 Hansen St SE  
Olympia, WA 98513** EIN: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone no: **360-493-0595**

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

**See Schedule O**

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 \$ **92,758** including grants of \$ ) (Revenue \$ **37,459** )

**MEMBERSHIP SERVICES & MANAGEMENT CONFERENCES - THE WASHINGTON STATE TRANSIT ASSOCIATION ORGANIZES VARIOUS MANAGEMENT CONFERENCES THROUGHOUT THE YEAR PROVIDING VITAL EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES TO KEY MEMBERS OF TRANSIT SYSTEM MANAGEMENT AND EMPLOYEES. ALL 25 TRANSIT SYSTEMS IN THE STATE AS WELL AS THE WASHINGTON STATE FERRIES SYSTEM ARE REPRESENTED. IN ADDITION, TO THESE CONFERENCES, THE ASSOCIATION PROVIDES SUPPORT TO ITS MEMBERS AS DEEMED NECESSARY BY THE BOARD.**

4b (Code ) (Expenses \$ **72,789** including grants of \$ ) (Revenue \$ )

**PUBLIC EDUCATION & OUTREACH - THE WASHINGTON STATE TRANSIT ASSOCIATION, WORKING IN COLLABORATION WITH OTHER ENTITIES CONCERNED WITH PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION ISSUES SUCH AS THE WASHINGTON STATE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, PROVIDES PUBLIC EDUCATION ABOUT THE BENEFITS AND AVAILABILITY OF PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION WITHIN THE STATE OF WASHINGTON. THE USE OF INFORMATIVE BROCHURES AND OTHER MEDIA IS USED TO ACCOMPLISH THIS PROGRAM.**

4c (Code ) (Expenses \$ **90,597** including grants of \$ ) (Revenue \$ )

**LOBBYING & LEGISLATIVE - THE ASSOCIATION MONITORS AND REPORTS TO ITS MEMBERS LEGISLATIVE ACTIVITIES AND PROPOSED LAWS AND REGULATIONS HAVING AN IMPACT ON THE TRANSIT SYSTEMS IN THE STATE OF WASHINGTON. THE ASSOCIATION ALSO CONTRACTS WITH A LOBBYIST TO REPRESENT THE MEMBERS LEGISLATIVE AND POLICY NEEDS.**

4d Other program services (Describe in Schedule O )

(Expenses \$ **203,765** including grants of \$ ) (Revenue \$ )

4e Total program service expenses **459,909**

**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		<b>X</b>
2	Is the organization required to complete Schedule B, Schedule of Contributors?		<b>X</b>
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		<b>X</b>
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		<b>X</b>
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		<b>X</b>
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		<b>X</b>
8	Did the organization maintain collections of works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part III		<b>X</b>
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		<b>X</b>
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		<b>X</b>
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	<b>X</b>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Did the organization report an amount for land, buildings, and equipment in Part X, line 10? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VI</li> <li>• 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</li> <li>• 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</li> <li>• Did the organization report an amount for other assets related 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</li> <li>• Did the organization report an amount for other liabilities in Part X, line 25? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X</li> <li>• 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</li> </ul>		
12	Did the organization obtain separate, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Parts XI, XII, and XIII		<b>X</b>
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
			<b>X</b>
13	Is the organization a school described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? If "Yes," complete Schedule E		<b>X</b>
14a	Did the organization maintain an office, employees, or agents outside of the United States?		<b>X</b>
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		<b>X</b>
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		<b>X</b>
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		<b>X</b>
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		<b>X</b>
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		<b>X</b>
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		<b>X</b>
20	Did the organization operate one or more hospitals? If "Yes," complete Schedule H		<b>X</b>

**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		<b>X</b>
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		<b>X</b>
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		<b>X</b>
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		<b>X</b>
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 <b>Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations.</b> Did the organization engage in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person during the year? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I		
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		
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		<b>X</b>
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		<b>X</b>
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		<b>X</b>
b A family member of a current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV		<b>X</b>
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		<b>X</b>
29 Did the organization receive more than \$25,000 in non-cash contributions? If "Yes," complete Schedule M		<b>X</b>
30 Did the organization receive contributions of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets, or qualified conservation contributions? If "Yes," complete Schedule M		<b>X</b>
31 Did the organization liquidate, terminate, or dissolve and cease operations? If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part I		<b>X</b>
32 Did the organization sell, exchange, dispose of, or transfer more than 25% of its net assets? If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part II		<b>X</b>
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		<b>X</b>
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		<b>X</b>
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		<b>X</b>
36 <b>Section 501(c)(3) organizations.</b> 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		<b>X</b>
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		<b>X</b>

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



**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

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			
LYNNE GRIFFITH DIRECTOR		X		X				0	0	0
RICHARD DEROCK PRESIDENT		X		X				0	0	0
E. SUSAN MEYER VICE PRESIDENT		X		X				0	0	0
TIMOTHY FREDRICKSON DIRECTOR		X		X				0	0	0
JEFF HAMM SECRETARY		X		X				0	0	0
TERRY WEED DIRECTOR		X		X				0	0	0
JOYCE ELEANOR DIRECTOR		X		X				0	0	0
CHRIS SMITH DIRECTOR		X		X				0	0	0
TOM HINGSON DIRECTOR		X		X				0	0	0
GREG WRIGHT DIRECTOR		X		X				0	0	0
MARK CARLIN DIRECTOR		X		X				0	0	0
MIKE HARBOUR DIRECTOR		X		X				0	0	0
MARTHA ROSE DIRECTOR		X		X				0	0	0
DAVID TURISSINI DIRECTOR		X		X				0	0	0
KEVIN DESMOND DIRECTOR		X		X				0	0	0
RICHARD HAYES DIRECTOR		X		X				0	0	0
DAVE O'CONNELL DIRECTOR		X		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			
TIM RUSS DIRECTOR		X		X				0	0	0
ROD THORNTON DIRECTOR		X		X				0	0	0
DALE O'BRIEN DIRECTOR		X		X				0	0	0
JONI EARL DIRECTOR		X		X				0	0	0
ERNEST GRAICHEN DIRECTOR		X		X				0	0	0
DICK FONDAHN DIRECTOR		X		X				0	0	0
KATY TAYLOR DIRECTOR		X		X				0	0	0
RICHARD WALSH DIRECTOR		X		X				0	0	0
KEN MEHIN DIRECTOR		X		X				0	0	0
PEGGY HANSON DIRECTOR		X		X				0	0	0
MICHELLE PARVINEN INTERIM EX. DIRECTOR	40.00			X				65,577	0	0
GERI BEARDSLEY EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR				X				5,183	0	0
<b>1b Total</b>								<b>70,760</b>		

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**

- 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
- 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
- 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

	Yes	No
3		X
4		X
5		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

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 **0**

**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					
	b Membership dues	1b	495,931				
	c Fundraising events	1c					
	d Related organizations	1d					
	e Government grants (contributions)	1e					
	f All other contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts not included above	1f					
	g Noncash contributions included in lines 1a-1f	\$					
	<b>h Total.</b> Add lines 1a-1f			495,931			
Program Service Revenue			<b>Busn. Code</b>				
	2a Management Conferences			37,459	37,459		
	b						
	c						
	d						
	e						
	<b>g Total.</b> Add lines 2a-2f			37,459			
Other Revenue	3 Investment income (including dividends, interest, and other similar amounts)			2,158	2,158		
	4 Income from investment of tax-exempt bond proceeds						
	5 Royalties						
	6a Gross Rents	(i) Real	(ii) Personal				
		b Less rental exps					
		c Rental inc or (loss)					
	d Net rental income or (loss)						
	7a Gross amount from sales of assets other than inventory	(i) Securities	(ii) Other				
		b Less cost or other basis & sales exps					
		c Gain or (loss)					
		d Net gain or (loss)					
	8a Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ of contributions reported on line 1c) See Part IV, line 18	a					
		b Less direct expenses	b				
		c Net income or (loss) from fundraising events					
	9a Gross income from gaming activities See Part IV, line 19	a					
b Less direct expenses		b					
c Net income or (loss) from gaming activities							
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		<b>Busn Code</b>					
11a Rodeo Event, Net			-2,450	-2,450			
b							
c							
d All other revenue							
<b>e Total.</b> Add lines 11a-11d			-2,450				
<b>12 Total Revenue.</b> See instructions			533,098	37,167	0	0	

**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				
2 Grants and other assistance to individuals in the U S See Part IV, line 22				
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				
5 Compensation of current officers, directors, trustees, and key employees	70,760			
6 Compensation not included above, to disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)) and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B)				
7 Other salaries and wages	56,002			
8 Pension plan contributions (include section 401(k) and section 403(b) employer contributions)				
9 Other employee benefits	20,210			
10 Payroll taxes	11,377			
11 Fees for services (non-employees)				
a Management	4,705			
b Legal	6,789			
c Accounting	8,154			
d Lobbying	90,597			
e Professional fundraising services See Part IV, line 17				
f Investment management fees				
g Other	24,000			
12 Advertising and promotion				
13 Office expenses	12,809			
14 Information technology				
15 Royalties				
16 Occupancy	22,345			
17 Travel	7,190			
18 Payments of travel or entertainment expenses for any federal, state, or local public officials				
19 Conferences, conventions, and meetings	37,161			
20 Interest				
21 Payments to affiliates				
22 Depreciation, depletion, and amortization	3,566			
23 Insurance	734			
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 <b>Public Education &amp; Outrea</b>	72,789			
b <b>Professional Development</b>	8,425			
c <b>Dues &amp; Subscriptions</b>	1,510			
d <b>Other Expenses</b>	760			
e				
f All other expenses				
25 <b>Total functional expenses.</b> Add lines 1 through 24f	459,883			
26 <b>Joint costs.</b> 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	200	1	200	
	2	Savings and temporary cash investments	538,525	2	552,354	
	3	Pledges and grants receivable, net		3		
	4	Accounts receivable, net	230	4	75	
	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		8		
	9	Prepaid expenses and deferred charges		9		
	10a	Land, buildings, and equipment cost or other basis Complete Part VI of Schedule D	43,616			
		10a				
	b	Less accumulated depreciation	40,102	5,325	10c	3,514
		10b				
	11	Investments—publicly traded securities		11		
	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		15			
16	<b>Total assets.</b> Add lines 1 through 15 (must equal line 34)	544,280	16	556,143		
<b>Liabilities</b>	17	Accounts payable and accrued expenses	78,876	17	17,549	
	18	Grants payable		18		
	19	Deferred revenue		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	78,876	26	17,549	
<b>Net Assets or Fund Balances</b>	Organizations that follow SFAS 117, check here <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 27 through 29, and lines 33 and 34.					
	27	Unrestricted net assets	465,404	27	538,594	
	28	Temporarily restricted net assets		28		
	29	Permanently restricted net assets		29		
	Organizations that do not follow SFAS 117, check here <input type="checkbox"/> 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	<b>Total net assets or fund balances</b>	465,404	33	538,594		
34	<b>Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances</b>	544,280	34	556,143		

**Part XI Financial Statements and Reporting**

1 Accounting method used to prepare the Form 990  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?

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
<b>2a</b>		<b>X</b>
<b>2b</b>		<b>X</b>
<b>2c</b>		
<b>3a</b>		<b>X</b>
<b>3b</b>		

SCHEDULE D (Form 990)

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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Employer identification number

91-1152629

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.

Table with 2 columns: (a) Donor advised funds, (b) Funds and other accounts. Rows 1-4: Total number at end of year, Aggregate contributions to (during year), Aggregate grants from (during year), 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?
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?

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)
- Protection of natural habitat
- Preservation of open space
- Preservation of an historically important land area
- Preservation of certified historic structure

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

Table with 1 column: Held at the End of the Tax Year. Rows 2a, 2b, 2c, 2d.

- a Total number of conservation easements
b Total acreage restricted by conservation easements
c Number of conservation easements on a certified historic structure included in (a)
d Number of conservation easements included in (c) acquired after 8/17/06
3 Number of conservation easements modified, transferred, released, extinguished, or terminated by the organization during the taxable 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?
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)?
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

- c Beginning balance
- d Additions during the year
- e Distributions during the year
- f Ending balance

	Amount
1c	
1d	
1e	
1f	

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 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					
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					

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

- (i) unrelated organizations
- (ii) related organizations

	Yes	No
3a(i)		
3a(ii)		
3b		

b If "Yes" to 3a(ii), are the related organizations listed as required on Schedule R?

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				
b Buildings				
c Leasehold improvements				
d Equipment		43,616	40,102	3,514
e Other				
<b>Total.</b> Add lines 1a through 1e (Column (d) must equal Form 990, Part X, column (B), line 10(c) )				<b>3,514</b>







**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 - Organization's Mission or Most Significant Activities**

THE ORGANIZATION PROMOTES AND ENHANCES PUBLIC TRANSIT FOR THE CITIZENS OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON BY PROMOTING LEGISLATION BENEFICIAL TO PUBLIC TRANSIT, PROMOTING AND ENHANCING THE PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT OF TRANSIT MANAGEMENT WITHIN THE STATE, AND PROMOTING AWARENESS, TRUST AND SUPPORT FOR PUBLIC TRANSIT.

**Form 990, Part III, Line 4d - All Other Achievements**

Represents general and administrative costs of the organization.

**Form 990, Part VI, Line 7a - Election of Members and Their Rights**

The membership of the board shall consist of the chief transit administrator, or designee, of each of the member agencies. The executive director of WSTA is an ex-officio, nonvoting member of the board.

**Form 990, Part VI, Line 11A - Organization's Process to Review Form 990**

No review was or will be conducted.

**Form 990, Part VI, Line 15a - Compensation Process for Top Official**

THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS SALARY IS APPROVED BY THE BOARD.

**Form 990, Part VI, Line 19 - Governing Documents Disclosure Explanation**

No documents available to the public