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## Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

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

OMB No 1545-0047

2009

Open to Public  
Inspection

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

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

B Check if applicable

Address change  
 Name change  
 Initial return  
 Terminated  
 Amended return  
 Application pending

Please use IRS label or print or type  
See Specific InstructionsC Name of organization  
Neighborhood Legal Services of Los Angeles County, Inc.

## Doing Business As

Number and street (or P O box if mail is not delivered to street address) Room/suite  
1102 E. Chevy Chase DriveCity or town, state or country, and ZIP + 4  
Glendale, CA 91205F Name and address of principal officer: Neal S. Dudovitz  
same as C aboveI Tax-exempt status:  501(c)(3) (insert no.)  4947(a)(1) or  527

J Website: ► www.nls-la.org

K Form of organization  Corporation  Trust  Association  Other ►

## D Employer identification number

95-2408642

E Telephone number  
(800) 433-6251

G Gross receipts \$ 11,534,411.

H(a) Is this a group return

for affiliates?  Yes  NoH(b) Are all affiliates included?  Yes  No

If "No," attach a list. (see instructions)

H(c) Group exemption number ►

L Year of formation 1965 M State of legal domicile CA

## Part I Summary

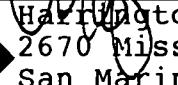
Activities & Governance	1 Briefly describe the organization's mission or most significant activities: Neighborhood Legal Services of Los Angeles County (NLSLA) is a multi-lingual, public interest law		
	2 Check this box ► <input type="checkbox"/> if the organization discontinued its operations or disposed of more than 25% of its net assets		
	3 Number of voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1a)	3	30
	4 Number of independent voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1b)	4	30
	5 Total number of employees (Part V, line 2a)	5	141
	6 Total number of volunteers (estimate if necessary)	6	708
	7a Total gross unrelated business revenue from Part VIII, column (C), line 12	7a	<18,216. >
	b Net unrelated business taxable income from Form 990-T, line 34	7b	<6,571. >
Revenue	8 Contributions and grants (Part VIII, line 1h)	Prior Year	Current Year
	9 Program service revenue (Part VIII, line 2g)	10,402,194.	11,092,069.
	10 Investment income (Part VIII, column (A), lines 3, 4, and 7d)	37,500.	42,500.
	11 Other revenue (Part VIII, column (A), lines 5, 6d, 8c, 9c, 10c, and 11d)	72,781.	63,782.
	12 Total revenue - add lines 8-through 11-(must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	<3,855. >	<10,111. >
		10,508,620.	11,188,240.
		1,247,175.	898,716.
Expenses	13 Grants and similar amounts paid (Part IX, column (A), lines 1-3)	Prior Year	Current Year
	14 Benefits paid to or for members (Part IX, column (A), line 4)	7,576,363.	8,121,347.
	15 Salaries, other compensation, employee benefits (Part IX, column (A), lines 5-10)	5,000.	80,052.
	16a Professional fundraising fees (Part IX, column (A), line 11e)	1,542,703.	1,720,376.
	b Total fundraising expenses (Part IX, column (D), line 25) ► 243,042.	10,371,241.	10,820,491.
	17 Other expenses (Part IX, column (A), lines 11a-11d, 11f-24f)	137,379.	367,749.
	18 Total expenses Add lines 13-17 (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	Beginning of Current Year	End of Year
	19 Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 18 from line 12	6,021,597.	7,312,292.
		2,215,351.	3,143,207.
		3,806,246.	4,169,085.
Net Assets or Fund Balances	20 Total assets (Part X, line 16)		
	21 Total liabilities (Part X, line 26)		
	22 Net assets or fund balances. Subtract line 21 from line 20		

## 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

►   
Signature of officer  
► Paul Watford, Board Treasurer  
Type or print name and title

11/1/10  
DateSign Here  
Preparer's  
Use Only

Preparer's signature ► 	Date 11/4/10	Check if self-employed <input type="checkbox"/>	Preparer's identifying number (see instructions)
Firm's name (or yours if self-employed), address, and ZIP + 4 ►  Harrington Group, CPAs, LLP 2670 Mission Street, Suite 200 San Marino, CA 91108	EIN ►		
			Phone no ► (626) 403-6801

May the IRS discuss this return with the preparer shown above? (see instructions)

X Yes  No

932001 02-04-10 LHA For Privacy Act and Paperwork Reduction Act Notice, see the separate instructions.

See Schedule O for Organization Mission Statement Continuation

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**Part III Statement of Program Service Accomplishments**

1 Briefly describe the organization's mission:

NLSLA is a passionate advocate for low-income residents, providing quality legal services using creative and traditional tools within the legal system to help people secure a better life for themselves, their families and their community.

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 \$ 8,819,805. including grants of \$ 898,716. ) (Revenue \$ 42,500. )  
NLSLA provides free legal assistance to low-income persons who reside in Los Angeles county on civil matters that particularly impact the poor including housing, family and domestic violence, public benefits, health, immigration, employment, workforce development, education, community economic development and consumer rights.

In 2009, NLSLA provided assistance to 125,000 individuals and groups comprised of representation on 10,000 cases, help to 65,000 litigants at self-help centers and clinics, and 50,000 through community outreach and educational presentations.

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

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

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

(Expenses \$ including grants of \$ ) (Revenue \$ )

4e Total program service expenses ► \$ 8,819,805.

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**Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules**

1 Is the organization described in section 501(c)(3) or 4947(a)(1) (other than a private foundation)?  
*If "Yes," complete Schedule A*

2 Is the organization required to complete Schedule B, Schedule of Contributors?

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*

4 **Section 501(c)(3) organizations.** Did the organization engage in lobbying activities? *If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part II*

5 **Section 501(c)(4), 501(c)(5), and 501(c)(6) organizations.** Is the organization subject to the section 6033(e) notice and reporting requirement and proxy tax? *If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part III*

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*

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*

8 Did the organization maintain collections of works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets? *If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part III*

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*

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*

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

- Did the organization report an amount for land, buildings, and equipment in Part X, line 10? *If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VI*
- Did the organization report an amount for investments - other securities in Part X, line 12 that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? *If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VII*
- Did the organization report an amount for investments - program related in Part X, line 13 that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? *If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VIII*.
- Did the organization report an amount for other assets in Part X, line 15 that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? *If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part IX*.
- Did the organization report an amount for other liabilities in Part X, line 25? *If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X*.
- Did the organization's separate or consolidated financial statements for the tax year include a footnote that addresses the organization's liability for uncertain tax positions under FIN 48? *If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X*

12 Did the organization obtain separate, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? *If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Parts XI, XII, and XIII*

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*

13 Is the organization a school described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? *If "Yes," complete Schedule E*

14a Did the organization maintain an office, employees, or agents outside of the United States?

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*

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*

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*

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*

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*

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*

20 Did the organization operate one or more hospitals? *If "Yes," complete Schedule H*

	Yes	No
1	X	
2	X	
3		X
4	X	
5		
6		X
7		X
8		X
9	X	
10		X
11	X	
12	X	
13		X
14a		X
14b		X
15		X
16		X
17	X	
18	X	
19		X
20		X

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**Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules (continued)**

		Yes	No
21	Did the organization report more than \$5,000 of grants and other assistance to governments and organizations in the United States on Part IX, column (A), line 1? If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and II	21 X	
22	Did the organization report more than \$5,000 of grants and other assistance to individuals in the United States on Part IX, column (A), line 2? If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and III	22 X	
23	Did the organization answer "Yes" to Part VII, Section A, line 3, 4, or 5 about compensation of the organization's current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, and highest compensated employees? If "Yes," complete Schedule J	23 X	
24a	Did the organization have a tax-exempt bond issue with an outstanding principal amount of more than \$100,000 as of the last day of the year, that was issued after December 31, 2002? If "Yes," answer lines 24b through 24d and complete Schedule K If "No", go to line 25	24a X	
a	Did the organization invest any proceeds of tax-exempt bonds beyond a temporary period exception?	24b	
c	Did the organization maintain an escrow account other than a refunding escrow at any time during the year to defease any tax-exempt bonds?	24c	
d	Did the organization act as an "on behalf of" issuer for bonds outstanding at any time during the year?	24d	
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	25a X	
b	Is the organization aware that it engaged in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person in a prior year, and that the transaction has not been reported on any of the organization's prior Forms 990 or 990-EZ? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I	25b X	
26	Was a loan to or by a current or former officer, director, trustee, key employee, highly compensated employee, or disqualified person outstanding as of the end of the organization's tax year? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part II	26 X	
27	Did the organization provide a grant or other assistance to an officer, director, trustee, key employee, substantial contributor, or a grant selection committee member, or to a person related to such an individual? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part III	27 X	
28	Was the organization a party to a business transaction with one of the following parties, (see Schedule L, Part IV instructions for applicable filing thresholds, conditions, and exceptions):		
a	A current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV	28a X	
b	A family member of a current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV	28b X	
c	An entity of which a current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee of the organization (or a family member) was an officer, director, trustee, or direct or indirect owner? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV	28c X	
29	Did the organization receive more than \$25,000 in non-cash contributions? If "Yes," complete Schedule M	29 X	
30	Did the organization receive contributions of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets, or qualified conservation contributions? If "Yes," complete Schedule M	30 X	
31	Did the organization liquidate, terminate, or dissolve and cease operations?	31 X	
	If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part I		
32	Did the organization sell, exchange, dispose of, or transfer more than 25% of its net assets? If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part II	32 X	
33	Did the organization own 100% of an entity disregarded as separate from the organization under Regulations sections 301.7701-2 and 301.7701-3? If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part I	33 X	
34	Was the organization related to any tax-exempt or taxable entity?	34 X	
	If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Parts II, III, IV, and V, line 1		
35	Is any related organization a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)?	35 X	
	If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2		
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	36 X	
37	Did the organization conduct more than 5% of its activities through an entity that is not a related organization and that is treated as a partnership for federal income tax purposes? If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part VI	37 X	
38	Did the organization complete Schedule O and provide explanations in Schedule O for Part VI, lines 11 and 19?	38 X	
	<b>Note.</b> All Form 990 filers are required to complete Schedule O.		

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

		Yes	No
1a	Enter the number reported in Box 3 of Form 1096, Annual Summary and Transmittal of U S Information Returns. Enter -0- if not applicable	1a	7
1b	Enter the number of Forms W-2G included in line 1a. Enter -0- if not applicable	1b	0
1c	Did the organization comply with backup withholding rules for reportable payments to vendors and reportable gaming (gambling) winnings to prize winners?	1c	X
2a	Enter the number of employees reported on Form W-3, Transmittal of Wage and Tax Statements, filed for the calendar year ending with or within the year covered by this return	2a	141
b	If at least one is reported on line 2a, did the organization file all required federal employment tax returns? <i>Note. If the sum of lines 1a and 2a is greater than 250, you may be required to e-file this return. (see instructions)</i>		
3a	Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year covered by this return?	3a	X
b	If "Yes," has it filed a Form 990-T for this year? <i>If "No," provide an explanation in Schedule O</i>	3b	X
4a	At any time during the calendar year, did the organization have an interest in, or a signature or other authority over, a financial account in a foreign country (such as a bank account, securities account, or other financial account)?	4a	X
b	If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country: ► See the instructions for exceptions and filing requirements for Form TD F 90-22.1, Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts.		
5a	Was the organization a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction at any time during the tax year?	5a	X
b	Did any taxable party notify the organization that it was or is a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction?	5b	X
c	If "Yes," to line 5a or 5b, did the organization file Form 8886-T, Disclosure by Tax-Exempt Entity Regarding Prohibited Tax Shelter Transaction?	5c	
6a	Does the organization have annual gross receipts that are normally greater than \$100,000, and did the organization solicit any contributions that were not tax deductible?	6a	X
b	If "Yes," did the organization include with every solicitation an express statement that such contributions or gifts were not tax deductible?	6b	
7	<b>Organizations that may receive deductible contributions under section 170(c).</b>	7a	X
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	X
b	If "Yes," did the organization notify the donor of the value of the goods or services provided?	7c	X
c	Did the organization sell, exchange, or otherwise dispose of tangible personal property for which it was required to file Form 8282?	7d	
d	If "Yes," indicate the number of Forms 8282 filed during the year	7e	X
e	Did the organization, during the year, receive any funds, directly or indirectly, to pay premiums on a personal benefit contract?	7f	X
f	Did the organization, during the year, pay premiums, directly or indirectly, on a personal benefit contract?	7g	
g	For all contributions of qualified intellectual property, did the organization file Form 8899 as required?	7h	
h	For contributions of cars, boats, airplanes, and other vehicles, did the organization file a Form 1098-C as required?	8	
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?	9a	
9	<b>Sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds.</b>	9b	
a	Did the organization make any taxable distributions under section 4966?		
b	Did the organization make a distribution to a donor, donor advisor, or related person?		
10	<b>Section 501(c)(7) organizations.</b> Enter:	10a	
a	Initiation fees and capital contributions included on Part VIII, line 12	10b	
b	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	
a	Gross income from members or shareholders	11b	
b	Gross income from other sources (Do not net amounts due or paid to other sources against amounts due or received from them.)	12a	
12a	<b>Section 4947(a)(1) non-exempt charitable trusts.</b> Is the organization filing Form 990 in lieu of Form 1041?	12b	
b	If "Yes," enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the year		

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

**Section A. Governing Body and Management**

1a Enter the number of voting members of the governing body      1a      30  
 b Enter the number of voting members that are independent      1b      30

2 Did any officer, director, trustee, or key employee have a family relationship or a business relationship with any other officer, director, trustee, or key employee?      2      X

3 Did the organization delegate control over management duties customarily performed by or under the direct supervision of officers, directors or trustees, or key employees to a management company or other person?      3      X

4 Did the organization make any significant changes to its organizational documents since the prior Form 990 was filed?      4      X

5 Did the organization become aware during the year of a material diversion of the organization's assets?      5      X

6 Does the organization have members or stockholders?      6      X

7a Does the organization have members, stockholders, or other persons who may elect one or more members of the governing body?      7a      X  
 b Are any decisions of the governing body subject to approval by members, stockholders, or other persons?      7b      X

8 Did the organization contemporaneously document the meetings held or written actions undertaken during the year by the following:  
 a The governing body?      8a      X  
 b Each committee with authority to act on behalf of the governing body?      8b      X

9 Is there any officer, director, trustee, or key employee listed in Part VII, Section A, who cannot be reached at the organization's mailing address? If "Yes," provide the names and addresses in Schedule O      9      X

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

10a Does the organization have local chapters, branches, or affiliates?  
 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?      10a      X  
 10b      10b  
 11 Has the organization provided a copy of this Form 990 to all members of its governing body before filing the form?      11      X

11A Describe in Schedule O the process, if any, used by the organization to review this Form 990.

12a Does the organization have a written conflict of interest policy? If "No," go to line 13  
 b Are officers, directors or trustees, and key employees required to disclose annually interests that could give rise to conflicts?      12a      X  
 c Does the organization regularly and consistently monitor and enforce compliance with the policy? If "Yes," describe in Schedule O how this is done      12b      X  
 12c      12c  
 13      13  
 14      14

13 Does the organization have a written whistleblower policy?

14 Does the organization have a written document retention and destruction policy?

15 Did the process for determining compensation of the following persons include a review and approval by independent persons, comparability data, and contemporaneous substantiation of the deliberation and decision?  
 a The organization's CEO, Executive Director, or top management official  
 b Other officers or key employees of the organization  
 If "Yes" to line 15a or 15b, describe the process in Schedule O (See instructions.)      15a      X  
 15b      15b

16a Did the organization invest in, contribute assets to, or participate in a joint venture or similar arrangement with a taxable entity during the year?  
 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?      16a      X  
 16b      16b

**Section C. Disclosure**

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

18 Section 6104 requires an organization to make its Forms 1023 (or 1024 if applicable), 990, and 990-T (501(c)(3)s only) available for public inspection. Indicate how you make these available. Check all that apply.  
 Own website       Another's website       Upon request

19 Describe in Schedule O whether (and if so, how) the organization makes its governing documents, conflict of interest policy, and financial statements available to the public.

20 State the name, physical address, and telephone number of the person who possesses the books and records of the organization: ►  
**Neighborhood Legal Services - Neal S. Dudovitz - 1-800-433-6251**  
**1102 E. Chevy Chase Drive, Glendale, CA 91205**

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**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			
Jeffrey I. Ehrlich, Esq. President	2.00	X		X			0.	0.	0.
Tiffany Tai, Esq. Vice President	2.00	X		X			0.	0.	0.
Tamila C. Jensen, Esq. Treasurer	2.00	X		X			0.	0.	0.
Mandy Wu Secretary	2.00	X		X			0.	0.	0.
Wei Wong, Esq. Past President	2.00	X		X			0.	0.	0.
Jose De Sosa Executive Committee	2.00	X					0.	0.	0.
Jane Egly, Esq. Executive Committee	2.00	X					0.	0.	0.
Kathi Frazier Executive Committee	2.00	X					0.	0.	0.
Bruce H. Leiserowitz Executive Committee	2.00	X					0.	0.	0.
Michael H. Bierman, Esq. Board Member	1.00	X					0.	0.	0.
Alicia Blanco, Esq. Board Member	1.00	X					0.	0.	0.
Jian Lin Fan Board Member	1.00	X					0.	0.	0.
Peter J. Gutierrez, Esq. Board Member	1.00	X					0.	0.	0.
Leslie Henry Board Member	1.00	X					0.	0.	0.
Patricia McCabe, Esq. Board Member	1.00	X					0.	0.	0.
Oscar Madrigal Board Member	1.00	X					0.	0.	0.
Lisa Morris, Esq. Board Member	1.00	X					0.	0.	0.

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**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			
Sam S. Oh, Esq. Board Member	1.00	X					0.	0.	0.
Marta Russell Board Member	1.00	X					0.	0.	0.
Michelle Sugihara, Esq. Board Member	1.00	X					0.	0.	0.
Luz Elena Tafolla Board Member	1.00	X					0.	0.	0.
Richard S. Tom, Esq. Board Member	1.00	X					0.	0.	0.
Paul Watford, Esq. Board Member	1.00	X					0.	0.	0.
Greg Wesley, Esq. Board Member	1.00	X					0.	0.	0.
Wanda Williams Board Member	1.00	X					0.	0.	0.
Neal S. Dudovitz Executive Director	50.00		X				180,898.	0.	19,942.
Lynne M. Hiortdahl Chief Financial Officer	50.00		X				98,352.	0.	10,878.
<b>1b Total</b>						►	<b>873,058.</b>	<b>0.</b>	<b>111,401.</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 ► 9

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. **NONE**

(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

See Schedule J-2 for Part VII, Section A Continuation

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**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>					
1 a Federated campaigns	1a				
b Membership dues	1b				
c Fundraising events	1c	69,956.			
d Related organizations	1d				
e Government grants (contributions)	1e	9,490,868.			
f All other contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts not included above	1f	1,531,245.			
g Noncash contributions included in lines 1a-1f \$		83,297.			
<b>h Total. Add lines 1a-1f</b>		► 11092069.			
<b>Program Service Revenue</b>					
2 a Legal Services Exchange	Business Code 541100	42,500.	42,500.		
b					
c					
d					
e					
f All other program service revenue		► 42,500.			
<b>g Total. Add lines 2a-2f</b>		► 42,500.			
<b>Other Revenue</b>					
3 Investment income (including dividends, interest, and other similar amounts)		► 71,038.			71,038.
4 Income from investment of tax-exempt bond proceeds		►			
5 Royalties		►			
6 a Gross Rents	(i) Real 62,435.				
b Less: rental expenses	(ii) Personal 80,651.				
c Rental income or (loss)	<18,216.>				
d Net rental income or (loss)		►			
7 a Gross amount from sales of assets other than inventory	(i) Securities 222,420.				
b Less: cost or other basis and sales expenses	(ii) Other 229,676.				
c Gain or (loss)	<7,256.>				
d Net gain or (loss)		►			
8 a Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ 69,956. of contributions reported on line 1c). See Part IV, line 18	a 35,844. b 35,844.				
b Less: direct expenses			0.		
c Net income or (loss) from fundraising events		►			
9 a Gross income from gaming activities. See Part IV, line 19	a				
b Less: direct expenses	b				
c Net income or (loss) from gaming activities		►			
10 a 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		►			
<b>Miscellaneous Revenue</b>	<b>Business Code</b>				
11 a Other revenue	900099	8,105.			8,105.
b					
c					
d All other revenue					
e Total. Add lines 11a-11d		► 8,105.			
<b>12 Total revenue. See instructions</b>		► 11188240.	42,500.	<18,216.>	71,887.

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**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	898,716.	898,716.		
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	310,070.	21,471.	267,809.	20,790.
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	6,278,072.	5,411,212.	825,902.	40,958.
8 Pension plan contributions (include section 401(k) and section 403(b) employer contributions)	299,139.	258,606.	39,274.	1,259.
9 Other employee benefits	751,980.	633,371.	114,390.	4,219.
10 Payroll taxes	482,086.	397,184.	80,305.	4,597.
11 Fees for services (non-employees):				
a Management	4,823.		4,823.	
b Legal				
c Accounting	25,000.		25,000.	
d Lobbying				
e Professional fundraising services See Part IV, line 17	80,052.			80,052.
f Investment management fees				
g Other	94,487.	11,273.	83,214.	
12 Advertising and promotion	4,863.	1,891.	2,972.	
13 Office expenses	472,103.	392,641.	77,817.	1,645.
14 Information technology	256,512.	231,178.	22,318.	3,016.
15 Royalties				
16 Occupancy	305,667.	226,675.	77,252.	1,740.
17 Travel	78,310.	73,602.	4,708.	
18 Payments of travel or entertainment expenses for any federal, state, or local public officials				
19 Conferences, conventions, and meetings	73,709.	48,805.	24,255.	649.
20 Interest				
21 Payments to affiliates				
22 Depreciation, depletion, and amortization	160,900.	78,571.	80,209.	2,120.
23 Insurance	23,675.	19,139.	4,536.	
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 Donated Goods	83,297.	0.	1,300.	81,997.
b Dues and subscriptions	53,498.	43,114.	10,384.	0.
c Library maintenance	45,803.	45,803.	0.	0.
d Litigation expenses	22,090.	22,090.	0.	0.
e Miscellaneous	15,639.	4,463.	11,176.	0.
f All other expenses				
25 Total functional expenses. Add lines 1 through 24f	10,820,491.	8,819,805.	1,757,644.	243,042.
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				

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**Part X Balance Sheet**

		(A) Beginning of year		(B) End of year
Assets	1 Cash - non-interest-bearing	518,026.	1	381,446.
	2 Savings and temporary cash investments	2		
	3 Pledges and grants receivable, net	700,174.	3	1,170,976.
	4 Accounts receivable, net	4		
	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	46,965.	9	56,285.
	10a Land, buildings, and equipment: cost or other basis. Complete Part VI of Schedule D	10a	4,631,615.	
	b Less: accumulated depreciation	10b	1,683,931.	10c
			2,873,863.	2,947,684.
			1,881,438.	2,755,901.
	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		0.
	<b>16 Total assets.</b> Add lines 1 through 15 (must equal line 34)	<b>6,021,597.</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>7,312,292.</b>
Liabilities	17 Accounts payable and accrued expenses	514,779.	17	720,769.
	18 Grants payable	18		
	19 Deferred revenue	657,310.	19	1,465,922.
	20 Tax-exempt bond liabilities	20		
	21 Escrow or custodial account liability. Complete Part IV of Schedule D	1,131.	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	1,040,131.	23	956,516.
	24 Unsecured notes and loans payable to unrelated third parties	24		
	25 Other liabilities. Complete Part X of Schedule D	2,000.	25	0.
	<b>26 Total liabilities.</b> Add lines 17 through 25	<b>2,215,351.</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>3,143,207.</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.</b>			
	27 Unrestricted net assets	2,363,866.	27	2,940,150.
	28 Temporarily restricted net assets	1,442,380.	28	1,228,935.
	29 Permanently restricted net assets	29		
	<b>Organizations that do not follow SFAS 117, check here ► <input type="checkbox"/> 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, or equipment fund	31		
	32 Retained earnings, endowment, accumulated income, or other funds	32		
	33 Total net assets or fund balances	3,806,246.	33	4,169,085.
	<b>34 Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances</b>	<b>6,021,597.</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>7,312,292.</b>

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**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
2a		X
2b	X	
2c	X	
3a	X	
3b	X	

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**SCHEDULE A**  
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

**Public Charity Status and Public Support**

Complete if the organization is a section 501(c)(3) organization or a section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust.  
► Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ. ► See separate instructions.

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**Name of the organization** Neighborhood Legal Services  
of Los Angeles County, Inc. **Employer identification number** 95-2408642

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

The organization is not a private foundation because it is: (For lines 1 through 11, check only one box)

1  A church, convention of churches, or association of churches described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(i)**.  
 2  A school described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)**. (Attach Schedule E.)  
 3  A hospital or a cooperative hospital service organization described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii)**.  
 4  A medical research organization operated in conjunction with a hospital described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii)**. Enter the hospital's name, city, and state: \_\_\_\_\_  
 5  An organization operated for the benefit of a college or university owned or operated by a governmental unit described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iv)**. (Complete Part II.)  
 6  A federal, state, or local government or governmental unit described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(v)**.  
 7  An organization that normally receives a substantial part of its support from a governmental unit or from the general public described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi)**. (Complete Part II.)  
 8  A community trust described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi)**. (Complete Part II.)  
 9  An organization that normally receives: (1) more than 33 1/3% of its support from contributions, membership fees, and gross receipts from activities related to its exempt functions - subject to certain exceptions, and (2) no more than 33 1/3% of its support from gross investment income and unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 tax) from businesses acquired by the organization after June 30, 1975. See **section 509(a)(2)**. (Complete Part III.)  
 10  An organization organized and operated exclusively to test for public safety. See **section 509(a)(4)**.  
 11  An organization organized and operated exclusively for the benefit of, to perform the functions of, or to carry out the purposes of one or more publicly supported organizations described in section 509(a)(1) or section 509(a)(2). See **section 509(a)(3)**. Check the box that describes the type of supporting organization and complete lines 11e through 11h.  
 a  Type I      b  Type II      c  Type III - Functionally integrated      d  Type III - Other  
 e  By checking this box, I certify that the organization is not controlled directly or indirectly by one or more disqualified persons other than foundation managers and other than one or more publicly supported organizations described in section 509(a)(1) or section 509(a)(2).  
 f  If the organization received a written determination from the IRS that it is a Type I, Type II, or Type III supporting organization, check this box   
 g  Since August 17, 2006, has the organization accepted any gift or contribution from any of the following persons?

(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?

	Yes	No
11g(i)		
11g(ii)		
11g(iii)		

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

(i) Name of supported organization	(II) EIN	(III) Type of organization (described on lines 1-9 above or IRC section (see instructions))	(IV) Is the organization in col (i) listed in your governing document?	(V) Did you notify the organization in col (i) of your support?	(VI) Is the organization in col (i) organized in the U S?	(VII) Amount of support	
						Yes	No
<b>Total</b>							

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Schedule A (Form 990 or 990-EZ) 2009

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**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.")	8850286.	10035284.	11181342.	10402194.	11092069.	51561175.
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	8850286.	10035284.	11181342.	10402194.	11092069.	51561175.
5 The portion of total contributions by each person (other than a governmental unit or publicly supported organization) included on line 1 that exceeds 2% of the amount shown on line 11, column (f)						
6 Public support. Subtract line 5 from line 4						51561175.

**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	8850286.	10035284.	11181342.	10402194.	11092069.	51561175.
8 Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources	82,578.	141,200.	149,688.	169,074.	162,344.	704,884.
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)	51,522.	22,172.	39,585.	1,716.	8,105.	123,100.
11 Total support. Add lines 7 through 10						52389159.
12 Gross receipts from related activities, etc. (see instructions)				12		80,000.

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 98.42 %

15 Public support percentage from 2008 Schedule A, Part II, line 14 15 98.38 %

16a 33 1/3% support test - 2009. If the organization did not check the box on line 13, and line 14 is 33 1/3% or more, check this box and stop here. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization ►

b 33 1/3% support test - 2008. If the organization did not check a box on line 13 or 16a, and line 15 is 33 1/3% or more, check this box and stop here. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization ►

17a 10% -facts-and-circumstances test - 2009. If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, or 16b, and line 14 is 10% or more, and if the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test, check this box and stop here. Explain in Part IV how the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization ►

b 10% -facts-and-circumstances test - 2008. If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, 16b, or 17a, and line 15 is 10% or more, and if the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test, check this box and stop here. Explain in Part IV how the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization ►

18 Private foundation. If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, 16b, 17a, or 17b, check this box and see instructions ►

**Part III Support Schedule for Organizations Described in Section 509(a)(2) (Complete only if you checked the box on line 9 of Part I)****Section A. Public Support**

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ►	(a) 2005	(b) 2006	(c) 2007	(d) 2008	(e) 2009	(f) Total
1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received. (Do not include any "unusual grants.")						
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						
<b>6 Total.</b> Add lines 1 through 5						
<b>7a</b> Amounts included on lines 1, 2, and 3 received from disqualified persons						
<b>b</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						
<b>c</b> Add lines 7a and 7b						
<b>8 Public support</b> (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>b</b> Unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 taxes) from businesses acquired after June 30, 1975						
<b>c</b> 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.)						
<b>13 Total support</b> (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

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► Complete if the organization is described below.  
► Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ. ► See separate instructions.

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	Neighborhood Legal Services of Los Angeles County, Inc.	Employer identification number 95-2408642
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**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  
 Yes  No
- 4a Was a correction made?  
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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**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.)

**1a** Total lobbying expenditures to influence public opinion (grass roots lobbying)

**b** Total lobbying expenditures to influence a legislative body (direct lobbying)

**c** Total lobbying expenditures (add lines 1a and 1b)

**d** Other exempt purpose expenditures

**e** Total exempt purpose expenditures (add lines 1c and 1d)

**f** Lobbying nontaxable amount. Enter the amount from the following table in both columns

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)

**h** Subtract line 1g from line 1a. If zero or less, enter -0-

**i** Subtract line 1f from line 1c. If zero or less, enter -0-

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

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**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:		X	
a Volunteers?	X		
b Paid staff or management (include compensation in expenses reported on lines 1c through 1i)?		X	
c Media advertisements?		X	
d Mailings to members, legislators, or the public?		X	
e Publications, or published or broadcast statements?		X	
f Grants to other organizations for lobbying purposes?		X	
g Direct contact with legislators, their staffs, government officials, or a legislative body?	X		3,016.
h Rallies, demonstrations, seminars, conventions, speeches, lectures, or any similar means?		X	
i Other activities? If "Yes," describe in Part IV	X		2,578.
j Total. Add lines 1c through 1i			5,594.
2a Did the activities in line 1 cause the organization to be not described in section 501(c)(3)?		X	
b If "Yes," enter the amount of any tax incurred under section 4912			
c If "Yes," enter the amount of any tax incurred by organization managers under section 4912			
d If the filing organization incurred a section 4912 tax, did it file Form 4720 for this year?			

**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.

Part II-B, Line 1(i), Other Lobbying Activities:

NLSLA participated in the drafting and passage of California Assembly

Bill (AB) 590 through meetings and discussions with Assembly

legislative staff, the California State Bar, the Administrative Office

of the Courts, and other legal services programs and supporters.

NLSLA's endorsement of AB 590 helped establish a new program in

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**Part IV** **Supplemental Information (continued)**

California to fund pilot legal services programs that provide an expanded civil right to counsel in selected areas of the law.

**Schedule D**  
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Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

**Supplemental Financial Statements**

► Complete if the organization answered "Yes," to Form 990,

Part IV, line 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, or 12.

► Attach to Form 990. ► See separate instructions.

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**Part I Organizations Maintaining Donor Advised Funds or Other Similar Funds or Accounts.** Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 6.

	(a) Donor advised funds	(b) Funds and other accounts
1 Total number at end of year		
2 Aggregate contributions to (during year)		
3 Aggregate grants from (during year)		
4 Aggregate value at end of year		

5 Did the organization inform all donors and donor advisors in writing that the assets held in donor advised funds are the organization's property, subject to the organization's exclusive legal control?  Yes  No

6 Did the organization inform all grantees, donors, and donor advisors in writing that grant funds can be used only for charitable purposes and not for the benefit of the donor or donor advisor, or for any other purpose conferring impermissible private benefit?  Yes  No

**Part II Conservation Easements.** Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 7.

1 Purpose(s) of conservation easements held by the organization (check all that apply).

<input type="checkbox"/> Preservation of land for public use (e.g., recreation or pleasure)	<input type="checkbox"/> Preservation of an historically important land area
<input type="checkbox"/> Protection of natural habitat	<input type="checkbox"/> Preservation of a certified historic structure
<input type="checkbox"/> Preservation of open space	

2 Complete lines 2a through 2d if the organization held a qualified conservation contribution in the form of a conservation easement on the last day of the tax year.

	Held at the End of the Tax Year
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 tax year ► \_\_\_\_\_

4 Number of states where property subject to conservation easement is located ► \_\_\_\_\_

5 Does the organization have a written policy regarding the periodic monitoring, inspection, handling of violations, and enforcement of the conservation easements it holds?  Yes  No

6 Staff and volunteer hours devoted to monitoring, inspecting, and enforcing conservation easements during the year ► \_\_\_\_\_

7 Amount of expenses incurred in monitoring, inspecting, and enforcing conservation easements during the year ► \$ \_\_\_\_\_

8 Does each conservation easement reported on line 2(d) above satisfy the requirements of section 170(h)(4)(B)(i) and section 170(h)(4)(B)(ii)?  Yes  No

9 In Part XIV, describe how the organization reports conservation easements in its revenue and expense statement, and balance sheet, and include, if applicable, the text of the footnote to the organization's financial statements that describes the organization's accounting for conservation easements.

**Part III Organizations Maintaining Collections of Art, Historical Treasures, or Other Similar Assets.**

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 8.

1a If the organization elected, as permitted under SFAS 116, not to report in its revenue statement and balance sheet works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets held for public exhibition, education, or research in furtherance of public service, provide, in Part XIV, the text of the footnote to its financial statements that describes these items

b If the organization elected, as permitted under SFAS 116, to report in its revenue statement and balance sheet works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets held for public exhibition, education, or research in furtherance of public service, provide the following amounts relating to these items:

(i) Revenues included in Form 990, Part VIII, line 1 ► \$ \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) Assets included in Form 990, Part X ► \$ \_\_\_\_\_

2 If the organization received or held works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets for financial gain, provide the following amounts required to be reported under SFAS 116 relating to these items:

a Revenues included in Form 990, Part VIII, line 1 ► \$ \_\_\_\_\_

b Assets included in Form 990, Part X ► \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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**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):

<p>a <input type="checkbox"/> Public exhibition</p> <p>b <input type="checkbox"/> Scholarly research</p> <p>c <input type="checkbox"/> Preservation for future generations</p>	<p>d <input type="checkbox"/> Loan or exchange programs</p>	<p>e <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____</p>
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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 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	1,131.
1d	2,450.
1e	3,581.
1f	0.

2a Did the organization include an amount on Form 990, Part X, line 21?

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

Yes  No

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

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

(a) Current year	(b) Prior year	(c) Two years back	(d) Three years back	(e) Four years back

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

	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	249,813.			249,813.
b Buildings	1,885,314.	548,063.		1,337,251.
c Leasehold improvements	2,221,159.	1,003,054.		1,218,105.
d Equipment	259,718.	120,383.		139,335.
e Other	15,611.	12,431.		3,180.

**Total.** Add lines 1a through 1e. (Column (d) must equal Form 990, Part X, column (B), line 10(c)) ► 2,947,684.

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**Part VII Investments - Other Securities. See Form 990, Part X, line 12.**

(a) Description of security or category (including name of security)	(b) Book value	(c) Method of valuation: Cost or end-of-year market value
Financial derivatives		
Closely-held equity interests		
Other _____		
<b>Total. (Col (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col (B) line 12.) ►</b>		

Total. (Col (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col (B) line 12 ) ►

**Part VIII Investments - Program Related.** See Form 990, Part X, line 13.

**Total. (Col (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col (B) line 13 ) ►**

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

**Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col (B) line 15.)**

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

1.	(a) Description of liability	(b) Amount	
	Federal income taxes		

**Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col (B) line 25.)**

2. FIN 48 Footnote. In Part XIV, provide the text of the footnote to the organization's financial statements that reports the organization's liability for uncertain tax positions under FIN 48.

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**Part XI: Reconciliation of Change in Net Assets from Form 990 to Audited Financial Statements**

1 Total revenue (Form 990, Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	1	11,188,240.
2 Total expenses (Form 990, Part IX, column (A), line 25)	2	10,820,491.
3 Excess or (deficit) for the year. Subtract line 2 from line 1	3	367,749.
4 Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	4	<4,910. >
5 Donated services and use of facilities	5	
6 Investment expenses	6	
7 Prior period adjustments	7	
8 Other (Describe in Part XIV.)	8	
9 Total adjustments (net). Add lines 4 through 8	9	<4,910. >
10 Excess or (deficit) for the year per audited financial statements. Combine lines 3 and 9	10	362,839.

**Part XII: Reconciliation of Revenue per Audited Financial Statements With Revenue per Return**

1 Total revenue, gains, and other support per audited financial statements	1	13,013,897.
2 Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12:		
a Net unrealized gains on investments	2a	<4,910. >
b Donated services and use of facilities	2b	1,797,369.
c Recoveries of prior year grants	2c	
d Other (Describe in Part XIV.)	2d	33,198.
e Add lines 2a through 2d	2e	1,825,657.
3 Subtract line 2e from line 1	3	11,188,240.
4 Amounts included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, but not on line 1:		
a Investment expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b	4a	
b Other (Describe in Part XIV.)	4b	
c Add lines 4a and 4b	4c	0.
5 Total revenue. Add lines 3 and 4c. (This must equal Form 990, Part I, line 12)	5	11,188,240.

**Part XIII: Reconciliation of Expenses per Audited Financial Statements With Expenses per Return**

1 Total expenses and losses per audited financial statements	1	12,651,058.
2 Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part IX, line 25:		
a Donated services and use of facilities	2a	1,797,369.
b Prior year adjustments	2b	
c Other losses	2c	
d Other (Describe in Part XIV.)	2d	33,198.
e Add lines 2a through 2d	2e	1,830,567.
3 Subtract line 2e from line 1	3	10,820,491.
4 Amounts included on Form 990, Part IX, line 25, but not on line 1:		
a Investment expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b	4a	
b Other (Describe in Part XIV.)	4b	
c Add lines 4a and 4b	4c	0.
5 Total expenses. Add lines 3 and 4c. (This must equal Form 990, Part I, line 18)	5	10,820,491.

**Part XIV: Supplemental Information**

Complete this part to provide the descriptions required for Part II, lines 3, 5, and 9; Part III, lines 1a and 4; Part IV, lines 1b and 2b; Part V, line 4, Part X, line 2; Part XI, line 8; Part XII, lines 2d and 4b; and Part XIII, lines 2d and 4b. Also complete this part to provide any additional information.

**Part IV, line 1b: Client Trust Funds**

Part IV, line 2b: NLSLA is a legal aid organization that at times holds client or third party funds in a client trust account.

Part XII, line 2d and Part XIII, line 2d:

Special Event Expenses - \$35,844

Rental Expenses - \$80,651

**Part XIV Supplemental Information (continued)**

Non-cash Contributions - \$(83,297)

**SCHEDULE G**  
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

## **Supplemental Information Regarding Fundraising or Gaming Activities**

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► 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.

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

► Attached to Form 890 or Form 890-EE. ► See separate instructions.

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

1 Indicate whether the organization raised funds through any of the following activities. Check all that apply.

- a  Mail solicitations
- b  Internet and email solicitations
- c  Phone solicitations
- d  In-person solicitations
- e  Solicitation of non-government grants
- f  Solicitation of government grants
- g  Special fundraising events

**2 a** Did the organization have a written or oral agreement with any individual (including officers, directors, trustees or key employees listed in Form 990, Part VII) or entity in connection with professional fundraising services?

**b** If "Yes," list the ten highest paid individuals or entities (fundraisers) pursuant to agreements under which the fundraiser is to be compensated at least \$5,000 by the organization.

(i) Name of individual or entity (fundraiser)	(ii) Activity	(iii) Did fundraiser have custody or control of contributions?		(iv) Gross receipts from activity	(v) Amount paid to (or retained by) fundraiser listed in col. (i)	(vi) Amount paid to (or retained by) organization
		Yes	No			
Jennifer Kang	Fundraising Consultant		X	636,175.	80,052.	636,175.
<b>Total</b>				►	636,175.	80,052.
						636,175.

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.  
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**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	<b>Just Neighbors Ga</b> (event type)	(a) Event #1	(b) Event #2	(c) Other events None	(d) Total events (add col. (a) through col. (c))
		(event type)	(total number)	(total number)	
1 Gross receipts	105,800.				105,800.
2 Less: Charitable contributions	69,956.				69,956.
3 Gross income (line 1 minus line 2)	35,844.				35,844.
4 Cash prizes					
5 Noncash prizes					
6 Rent/facility costs					
7 Food and beverages					
8 Entertainment					
9 Other direct expenses	35,844.				35,844.
10 Direct expense summary. Add lines 4 through 9 in column (d)					► ( 35,844 )
11 Net income summary. Combine line 3, column (d), and line 10					► 0.

**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))
1 Gross revenue					
2 Cash prizes					
3 Noncash prizes					
4 Rent/facility costs					
5 Other direct expenses					
6 Volunteer labor	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes _____ % <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes _____ % <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes _____ % <input type="checkbox"/> No		
7 Direct expense summary. Add lines 2 through 5 in column (d)					► ( )
8 Net gaming income summary. Combine line 1, column (d), and line 7					►

9 Enter the state(s) in which the organization operates gaming activities: \_\_\_\_\_

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

b If "No," explain:

\_\_\_\_\_

9a	Yes	No
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10a Were any of the organization's gaming licenses revoked, suspended or terminated during the tax year?

b If "Yes," explain:

\_\_\_\_\_

10a	Yes	No
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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?

11	Yes	No
12	Yes	No

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**13** Indicate the percentage of gaming activity operated in:

	Yes	No
13a	%	
13b	%	

**14** Enter the name and address of the person who prepares the organization's gaming/special events books and records:

Name ► \_\_\_\_\_

Address ► \_\_\_\_\_

**15a** Does the organization have a contract with a third party from whom the organization receives gaming revenue?

15a	
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**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 information:

Name ► \_\_\_\_\_

Gaming manager compensation ► \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Description of services provided ► \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

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 ► \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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**SCHEDULE I**  
(Form 990)

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

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

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

► Attach to Form 990.

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**Part I** **General Information on Grants and Assistance**

1 Does the organization maintain records to substantiate the amount of the grants or assistance, the grantees' eligibility for the grants or assistance, and the selection criteria used to award the grants or assistance?

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

**Part II** **Grants and Other Assistance to Governments and Organizations in the United States.** Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 21, for any recipient that received more than \$5,000. Check this box if no one recipient received more than \$5,000. Use Part IV and Schedule I-1 (Form 990) if additional space is needed ►

1 (a) Name and address of organization or government  
(b) EIN  
(c) IRC section if applicable  
(d) Amount of cash grant  
(e) Amount of non-cash assistance  
(f) Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other)  
(g) Description of non-cash assistance  
(h) Purpose of grant or assistance

Legal Aid Foundation of Los Angeles - 1102 Crenshaw Blvd. - Los Angeles, CA 90019	95-1684067	501(c)(3)	682,921.	0.	Subcontractor on Self-Help Legal Access Center Grant to operate a center in the Superior
Community Legal Services of Southeast Los Angeles County - 725 West Rosecrans - Compton, CA 90222	95-1994337	501(c)(3)	141,027.	0.	Subcontractor on Health Consumer Center Grant to assist clients with access to quality health
National Health Law Program 2639 S. La Cienega Blvd. Los Angeles, CA 90034	95-3080947	501(c)(3)	13,500.	0.	Subcontractor on IOLTA Grant to provide legal assistance.
Western Center 3701 Wilshire Blvd. Suite 208 Los Angeles, CA 90010	95-2897721	501(c)(3)	45,860.	0.	Subcontractor on Homelessness Prevention and Rapid Re-housing Program Grant to provide
NEW Economics for Women 303 S. Loma Drive Los Angeles, CA 90017	95-3969029	501(c)(3)	15,408.	0.	

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

3 Enter total number of other organizations

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See Part IV for Column (h) descriptions

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Schedule I (Form 990) 2009

Neighborhood Legal Services  
of Los Angeles County, Inc.

Schedule I (Form 990) 2009

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

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Schedule I, Part I, Line 2: NLS-LA maintains records to substantiate grant awards, grantee's eligibility and selection criteria.

### Part III, line 1, column (h):

Name of Organization or Government: Legal Aid Foundation of Los Angeles

(h) Purpose of Grant or Assistance: Subcontractor on Self-Help Legal

Access Center Grant to operate a center in the Superior Couthouses of

Long Beach, Torrance, Santa Monica and Inglewood.

**Part IV Supplemental Information**

Name of Organization or Government:

Community Legal Services of Southeast Los Angeles County

(h) Purpose of Grant or Assistance: Subcontractor on Self-Help Legal

Access Center Grant to operate a center in the Superior Courthouse of  
Compton.

Name of Organization or Government: National Health Law Program

(h) Purpose of Grant or Assistance: Subcontractor on Health Consumer  
Center Grant to assist clients with access to quality health care.

Name of Organization or Government: NEW Economics for Women

(h) Purpose of Grant or Assistance: Subcontractor on Homelessness

Prevention and Rapid Re-housing Program Grant to provide case management  
services.

**SCHEDULE J**  
**(Form 990)**

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

**Compensation Information**

For certain Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest  
Compensated Employees

► Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990,

Part IV, line 23.

► Attach to Form 990. ► See separate instructions.

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**Part I Questions Regarding Compensation**

1a Check the appropriate box(es) if the organization provided any of the following to or for a person listed in Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a. Complete Part III to provide any relevant information regarding these items.

<input type="checkbox"/> First-class or charter travel	<input type="checkbox"/> Housing allowance or residence for personal use
<input type="checkbox"/> Travel for companions	<input type="checkbox"/> Payments for business use of personal residence
<input type="checkbox"/> Tax indemnification and gross-up payments	<input type="checkbox"/> Health or social club dues or initiation fees
<input type="checkbox"/> Discretionary spending account	<input type="checkbox"/> Personal services (e.g., maid, chauffeur, chef)

b If any of the boxes on line 1a are checked, did the organization follow a written policy regarding payment or reimbursement or provision of all of the expenses described above? If "No," complete Part III to explain

2 Did the organization require substantiation prior to reimbursing or allowing expenses incurred by all officers, directors, trustees, and the CEO/Executive Director, regarding the items checked in line 1a?

3 Indicate which, if any, of the following the organization uses to establish the compensation of the organization's CEO/Executive Director. Check all that apply

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Compensation committee	<input type="checkbox"/> Written employment contract
<input type="checkbox"/> Independent compensation consultant	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Compensation survey or study
<input type="checkbox"/> Form 990 of other organizations	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Approval by the board or compensation committee

4 During the year, did any person listed in Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, with respect to the filing organization or a related organization.

a Receive a severance payment or change-of-control payment?  
b Participate in, or receive payment from, a supplemental nonqualified retirement plan?  
c Participate in, or receive payment from, an equity-based compensation arrangement?

If "Yes" to any of lines 4a-c, list the persons and provide the applicable amounts for each item in Part III.

**Only section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations must complete lines 5-9.**

5 For persons listed in Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization pay or accrue any compensation contingent on the revenues of:

a The organization?

b Any related organization?

If "Yes" to line 5a or 5b, describe in Part III.

6 For persons listed in Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization pay or accrue any compensation contingent on the net earnings of:

a The organization?

b Any related organization?

If "Yes" to line 6a or 6b, describe in Part III.

7 For persons listed in Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization provide any non-fixed payments not described in lines 5 and 6? If "Yes," describe in Part III

8 Were any amounts reported in Form 990, Part VII, paid or accrued pursuant to a contract that was subject to the initial contract exception described in Regs. section 53.4958-4(a)(3)? If "Yes," describe in Part III

9 If "Yes" to line 8, did the organization also follow the rebuttable presumption procedure described in Regulations section 53.4958-6(c)?

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Schedule J (Form 990) 2009



**SCHEDULE J-2**  
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## Continuation Sheet for Form 990

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- Attach to Form 990 to list additional information for Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a.
  - See the Instructions for Form 990.

► See the Instructions for Form 990.

**Part I Continuation of Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees**

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**Schedule J-2 (Form 990) 2009**

**SCHEDULE M**  
**(Form 990)**

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**Noncash Contributions**

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► Complete if the organizations answered "Yes" on Form  
990, Part IV, lines 29 or 30.  
► Attach to Form 990.

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**Part I Types of Property**

	(a) Check if applicable	(b) Number of contributions	(c) Revenues reported on Form 990, Part VIII, line 1g	(d) Method of determining revenues
1 Art - Works of art				
2 Art - Historical treasures				
3 Art - Fractional interests				
4 Books and publications	X		1,000.	Fair Market Value
5 Clothing and household goods				
6 Cars and other vehicles				
7 Boats and planes				
8 Intellectual property				
9 Securities - Publicly traded				
10 Securities - Closely held stock				
11 Securities - Partnership, LLC, or trust interests				
12 Securities - Miscellaneous				
13 Qualified conservation contribution - Historic structures				
14 Qualified conservation contribution - Other				
15 Real estate - Residential				
16 Real estate - Commercial				
17 Real estate - Other				
18 Collectibles				
19 Food inventory				
20 Drugs and medical supplies				
21 Taxidermy				
22 Historical artifacts				
23 Scientific specimens				
24 Archeological artifacts				
25 Other ► ( Hosted Event )	X	10	82,297.	Fair Market Value
26 Other ► ( _____ )				
27 Other ► ( _____ )				
28 Other ► ( _____ )				
29 Number of Forms 8283 received by the organization during the tax year for contributions for which the organization completed Form 8283, Part IV, Donee Acknowledgment			29	

30a During the year, did the organization receive by contribution any property reported in Part I, lines 1-28 that it must hold for at least three years from the date of the initial contribution, and which is not required to be used for exempt purposes for the entire holding period?  
b If "Yes," describe the arrangement in Part II.

31 Does the organization have a gift acceptance policy that requires the review of any non-standard contributions?

32a Does the organization hire or use third parties or related organizations to solicit, process, or sell noncash contributions?  
b If "Yes," describe in Part II.

33 If the organization did not report revenues in column (c) for a type of property for which column (a) is checked, describe in Part II.

	Yes	No
30a		X
31	X	
32a		X

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Schedule M (Form 990) 2009

**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, Part I, Line 1, Description of Organization Mission:**

firm that has been at the forefront of the issues facing low-income residents of Los Angeles County since 1965. Through litigation, advocacy, collaboration, outreach, education and representation, NLSLA effectively helps individuals and families gain the basic needs and opportunities necessary to secure a better life.

Our advocates work with clients, community groups, government agencies and non-profit organizations to secure equal justice and opportunity for low-income residents. We are agents of change, working collaboratively to provide high-quality legal aid to those in need; connecting people with essential support for their physical, social and economic well-being; and playing a key role in the development of policy that empowers low-income families and communities.

Form 990, Part VI, Section B, line 11: A draft of the proposed Form 990 is fully reviewed by the NLSLA Board of Directors' Finance Committee, chaired by the Board Treasurer. Once approved, the Board Treasurer provides a copy of the proposed Form to the NLSLA Board of Directors Executive Committee for review and approval. Once reviewed and approved by the Executive Committee, the return is signed by the Board Treasurer, filed and a copy of the final Form 990 is distributed to the full Board of Directors.

Form 990, Part VI, Section B, Line 12c: At least annually, the Board of Directors, Officers and Key Employees of NLSLA are required to review NLSLA's Conflict of Interest policy and complete an annual statement

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affirming that they have (1) received a copy of the Conflict of Interest policy, (2) read and understood the policy, and (3) agree to comply with the policy including disclosing any interest that could give rise to conflicts.

Form 990, Part VI, Section B, Line 15: Approximately every two years, the Board of Directors, under the direction of the Board President, conducts a study of the Executive Director salaries at comparable legal services programs and other regional non-profits. Based on the comparability study, the Board President recommends an appropriate Executive Director compensation level to the Board of Directors. The Board's discussion and decision is recorded in the Executive Session minutes of the Board.

Approximately every two years, the Executive Director conducts a study of the Chief Financial Officer salaries at comparable legal services programs and other regional non-profits. Based on the comparability study, the Executive Director sets an appropriate Chief Financial Officer compensation level which is included in the program's annual budget. The annual budget is approved by the Board of Directors.

Form 990, Part VI, Section C, Line 19: It is NLSLA's policy that if the governing documents, conflict of interest policy and/or financial statements of the Organization are subject to Federal or State public disclosure rules, these documents will be made publicly available as applicable law may require. Otherwise, the governing documents, conflict of interest policy and financial statements of the Organization will be

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

## **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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**Name of the organization**

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provided to the public at the discretion of management. The Form 990 is also available on Guidestar.org.

# 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.

Type or print	Name of Exempt Organization <b>Neighborhood Legal Services of Los Angeles County, Inc.</b>	Employer identification number <b>95-2408642</b>
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. <b>1102 E. Chevy Chase Drive</b>	
	City, town or post office, state, and ZIP code. For a foreign address, see instructions <b>Glendale, CA 91205</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

## Neighborhood Legal Services

- The books are in the care of ► **1102 E. Chevy Chase Drive - Glendale, CA 91205**
- Telephone No. ► **1-800-433-6251** 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, 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>                  </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.	3b	\$ <b>                  </b>
c <b>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	3c	\$ <b>                  </b> <b>N/A</b>

**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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- If you are filing for an **Additional (Not Automatic) 3-Month Extension**, complete only Part II and check this box ►
- Note.** Only complete Part II if you have already been granted an automatic 3-month extension on a previously filed Form 8868.
- If you are filing for an **Automatic 3-Month Extension**, complete only Part I (on page 1).

**Part II Additional (Not Automatic) 3-Month Extension of Time.** Only file the original (no copies needed).

Type or print	Name of Exempt Organization <b>Neighborhood Legal Services of Los Angeles County, Inc.</b>	Employer identification number 95 : <b>2408642</b>
File by the extended due date for filing the return. See instructions	Number, street, and room or suite no. If a P.O. box, see instructions <b>1102 East Chevy Chase Drive</b>	For IRS use only
	City, town or post office, state, and ZIP code. For a foreign address, see instructions. <b>Glendale, CA 91205</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-PF	<input type="checkbox"/> Form 1041-A	<input type="checkbox"/> Form 6069
<input type="checkbox"/> Form 990-BL	<input type="checkbox"/> Form 990-T (sec. 401(a) or 408(a) trust)	<input type="checkbox"/> Form 4720	<input type="checkbox"/> Form 8870
<input type="checkbox"/> Form 990-EZ	<input type="checkbox"/> Form 990-T (trust other than above)	<input type="checkbox"/> Form 5227	

**STOP! Do not complete Part II if you were not already granted an automatic 3-month extension on a previously filed Form 8868.**

- The books are in the care of ► **1102 East Chevy Chase Drive, Glendale, CA 91205**  
Telephone No. ► **( 800 ) 433-6251** FAX No. ► **( 818 ) 291-1790**
- 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 is for.

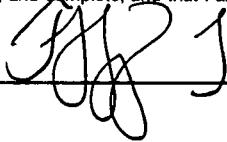
- 4 I request an additional 3-month extension of time until **November 15, 20 10**.
- 5 For calendar year **2009**, or other tax year beginning , 20, and ending , 20.
- 6 If this tax year is for less than 12 months, check reason:  Initial return  Final return  Change in accounting period
- 7 State in detail why you need the extension **See Statement 1**  
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8a 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.	8a \$
b If this application is for Form 990-PF, 990-T, 4720, or 6069, enter any refundable credits and estimated tax payments made. Include any prior year overpayment allowed as a credit and any amount paid previously with Form 8868.	8b \$
c <b>Balance Due.</b> Subtract line 8b from line 8a. 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.	8c \$ <b>N/A</b>

**Signature and Verification**

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined this form, including accompanying schedules and statements, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete, and that I am authorized to prepare this form

Signature ►


Title ► **Board President**Date ► **8/5/2010**Form **8868** (Rev. 4-2009)

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Form 8688

Explanation for Extension

Statement 1

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Explanation

Neighborhood Legal Services of Los Angeles County (NLSLA) requests additional time to accurately complete Form 990 and obtain adequate review by NLS-LA's Board of Directors prior to filing. We fully expect to complete and file our tax return within the extension period. Tax returns will be filed as expeditiously as possible.