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Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax**2009**Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue ServiceUnder section 501(c), 527, or 4947(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code
(except black lung benefit trust or private foundation)

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

Open to Public Inspection**For the 2009 calendar year, or tax year beginning** Apr 1, **2009, and ending** Mar 31, **2010**

B Check if applicable: <input type="checkbox"/> Address change <input type="checkbox"/> Name change <input type="checkbox"/> Initial return <input type="checkbox"/> Termination <input type="checkbox"/> Amended return <input type="checkbox"/> Application pending	Please use IRS label or print or type. See specific instructions.	C Name of organization Elks National Veterans Service Commission		D Employer Identification Number 13-1548228
		Number and street (or P O box if mail is not delivered to street addr) Room/suite 2750 N Lakeview Avenue		E Telephone number (773) 755-4810
		City, town or country State ZIP code + 4 Chicago IL 60614		G Gross receipts \$ 1,138,467.
		F Name and address of principal officer Robert Hennings 2750 N Lakeview Ave Chicago IL 60614		
I Tax-exempt status <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 501(c) (3) (insert no) <input type="checkbox"/> 4947(a)(1) or <input type="checkbox"/> 527		H(a) Is this a group return for affiliates? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No H(b) Are all affiliates included? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No If "No," attach a list (see instructions)		
J Website: ▶ http://www.elks.org/vets		H(c) Group exemption number ▶		
K Form of organization <input type="checkbox"/> Corporation <input type="checkbox"/> Trust <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Association <input type="checkbox"/> Other ▶		L Year of Formation 1946		M State of legal domicile DC

Part I Summary

Activities & Governance	1 Briefly describe the organization's mission or most significant activities: Coordinated and provided funding for various programs of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks of the USA for the benefit of hospitalized and disabled veterans and for families of military reservists and national guard called to active duty in Iraq and Afghanistan.		
	2 Check this box <input type="checkbox"/> if the organization discontinued its operations or disposed of more than 25% of its assets		
	3 Number of voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1a)		3 5
	4 Number of independent voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1b)		4 5
	5 Total number of employees (Part V, line 2a)		5 0
	6 Total number of volunteers (estimate if necessary)		6 360,000
	7a Total gross unrelated business revenue from Part VIII, I column (C), line 12		7a 0.
b Net unrelated business taxable income from Form 990-T, line 34		7b	
Revenue	8 Contributions and grants (Part VIII, line 1h)		Prior Year 864,994. Current Year 969,446.
	9 Program service revenue (Part VIII, line 2g)		
	10 Investment income (Part VIII, column (A), lines 3, 4, and 7d)		1,087. 19,275.
	11 Other revenue (Part VIII, column (A), lines 5, 6d, 8c, 9c, 10c, and 11e)		6,252. 12,140.
	12 Total revenue — add lines 8 through 11 (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)		872,333. 1,000,861.
	13 Grants and similar amounts paid (Part IX, column (A), lines 1-3)		635,761. 725,318.
	14 Benefits paid to or for members (Part IX, column (A), line 4)		
Expenses	15 Salaries, other compensation, employee benefits (Part IX, column (A), lines 5-10)		
	16a Professional fundraising fees (Part IX, column (A), line 11e)		
	b Total fundraising expenses (Part IX, column (D), line 25)		
	17 Other expenses (Part IX, column (A), lines 12a-14d, 16f, 17g)		207,474. 215,626.
	18 Total expenses Add lines 13-17 (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)		843,235. 940,944.
	19 Revenue less expenses Subtract line 18 from line 12		29,098. 59,917.
	20 Total assets (Part X, line 16)		Beginning of Year 407,831. End of Year 469,660.
21 Total liabilities (Part X, line 26)		49,173. 23,987.	
22 Net assets or fund balances Subtract line 21 from line 20		358,658. 445,673.	

Part II Signature Block

Sign Here	Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined this return, including accompanying schedules and statements, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete. Declaration of preparer (other than officer) is based on all information of which preparer has any knowledge.		
	Signature of officer: <i>Robert M Hennings</i> Date: 11/18/2010 Robert M Hennings Director Type or print name and title		
Paid Preparer's Use Only	Preparer's signature: <i>Ronald A Diehl, CPA</i>	Date: 11/17/10	Check if self-employed <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Preparer's identifying number (see instructions)
	Firm's name (or yours if self-employed): DIEHL & ASSOCIATES		EIN:
	address, and ZIP + 4: 2032 BURNHAM PLACE WHEATON IL 60189		
	Phone no: (630) 682-3763		May the IRS discuss this return with the preparer shown above? (see instructions) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No

Part III Statement of Program Service Accomplishments**1** Briefly describe the organization's mission:

Coordinate and provide funding for various programs of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks of the USA for the benefit of hospitalized and disabled veterans and families of
See Form 990, Page 2, Part III, Line 1 (continued)

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 \$ 746,498. including grants of \$ 0.) (Revenue \$ 0.)

The Organization coordinated and assisted in financing various programs of Elks state associations and subordinate lodges for the benefit of hospitalized and disabled veterans in Veterans Administration care centers, state Veterans homes, domiciliaries, and long-term care facilities throughout the United States. These programs included providing veterans with refreshments, toiletry accessories and personal hygiene items, clothing, magazines, playing cards, tooling leather and craft kits for use in occupational and recreational therapy and leather gloves for wheelchair bound individuals. The programs also procured televisions, entertainment systems and other electronic equipment that benefits veterans in these facilities. The Organization assisted entertainers that performed at 145 VA medical centers and conducted programs to assist families of military reservists and national guard called to active duty in Iraq and Afghanistan. The Organization estimates that through their veterans programs approximately 360,000 volunteers donated nearly 1.11 million hours of service and benefited 1.25 million veterans and military families.

4b (Code: _____) (Expenses \$ 90,000. including grants of \$ 90,000.) (Revenue \$ 0.)

The Organization provided grants to the US Dept of Veterans Affairs and unaffiliated exempt organizations for purposes that assist veterans and their families.

4c (Code: _____) (Expenses \$ _____ including grants of \$ _____) (Revenue \$ _____)**4d** Other program services (Describe in Schedule O)

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

4e Total program service expenses ▶ 836,498.

Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules

	Yes	No
1 Is the organization described in section 501(c)(3) or 4947(a)(1) (other than a private foundation)? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule A	X	
2 Is the organization required to complete Schedule B, Schedule of Contributors?	X	
3 Did the organization engage in direct or indirect political campaign activities on behalf of or in opposition to candidates for public office? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule C, Part I		X
4 Section 501(c)(3) organizations Did the organization engage in lobbying activities? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule C, Part II		X
5 Section 501(c)(4), 501(c)(5), and 501(c)(6) organizations. Is the organization subject to the section 6033(e) notice and reporting requirement and proxy tax? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule C, Part III		
6 Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds or any similar funds or accounts where donors have the right to provide advice on the distribution or investment of amounts in such funds or accounts? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule D, Part I		X
7 Did the organization receive or hold a conservation easement, including easements to preserve open space, the environment, historic land areas or historic structures? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule D, Part II		X
8 Did the organization maintain collections of works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule D, Part III		X
9 Did the organization report an amount in Part X, line 21; serve as a custodian for amounts not listed in Part X, or provide credit counseling, debt management, credit repair, or debt negotiation services? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule D, Part IV		X
10 Did the organization, directly or through a related organization, hold assets in term, permanent, or quasi-endowments? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule D, Part V		X
11 Is the organization's answer to any of the following questions 'Yes'? If so, complete Schedule D, Parts VI, VII, VIII, IX, or X as applicable	X	
• Did the organization report an amount for land, buildings and equipment in Part X, line 10? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule D, Part VI		
• Did the organization report an amount for investments— other securities in Part X, line 12 that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule D, Part VII		
• Did the organization report an amount for investments— program related in Part X, line 13 that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule D, Part VIII		
• Did the organization report an amount for other assets in Part X, line 15 that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule D, Part IX		
• Did the organization report an amount for other liabilities in Part X, line 25? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule D, Part X		
• Did the organization's separate or consolidated financial statements for the tax year include a footnote that addresses the organization's liability for uncertain tax positions under FIN 48? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule D, Part X		
12 Did the organization obtain separate, independent audited financial statement for the tax year? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule D, Parts XI, XII, and XIII	X	
12A Was the organization included in consolidated, independent audited financial statement for the tax year? If 'Yes,' completing Schedule D, Parts XI, XII, and XIII is optional		X
13 Is the organization a school described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule E		X
14a Did the organization maintain an office, employees, or agents outside of the United States?		X
b Did the organization have aggregate revenues or expenses of more than \$10,000 from grantmaking, fundraising, business, and program service activities outside the United States? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule F, Part I		X
15 Did the organization report on Part IX, column (A), line 3, more than \$5,000 of grants or assistance to any organization or entity located outside the United States? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule F, Part II		X
16 Did the organization report on Part IX, column (A), line 3, more than \$5,000 of aggregate grants or assistance to individuals located outside the United States? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule F, Part III		X
17 Did the organization report a total of more than \$15,000 of expenses for professional fundraising services on Part IX, column (A), lines 6 and 11e? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule G, Part I		X
18 Did the organization report more than \$15,000 total of fundraising event gross income and contributions on Part VIII, lines 1c and 8a? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule G, Part II		X
19 Did the organization report more than \$15,000 of gross income from gaming activities on Part VIII, line 9a? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule G, Part III		X
20 Did the organization operate one or more hospitals? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule H		X

Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules (continued)

	Yes	No
21 Did the organization report more than \$5,000 of grants and other assistance to governments and organizations in the United States on Part IX, column (A), line 1? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule I, Parts I and II</i>	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? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule I, Parts I and III</i>	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? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule J</i>		X
24a Did the organization have a tax-exempt bond issue with an outstanding principal amount of more than \$100,000 as of the last day of the year, and that was issued after December 31, 2002? <i>If 'Yes,' answer lines 24b through 24d and complete Schedule K. If 'No,' go to line 25</i>		X
24b Did the organization invest any proceeds of tax-exempt bonds beyond a temporary period exception?		
24c Did the organization maintain an escrow account other than a refunding escrow at any time during the year to defease any tax-exempt bonds?		
24d Did the organization act as an 'on behalf of' issuer for bonds outstanding at any time during the year?		
25a Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations. Did the organization engage in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person during the year? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule L, Part I</i>		X
25b 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? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule L, Part I</i>		X
26 Was a loan to or by a current or former officer, director, trustee, key employee, highly compensated employee, or disqualified person outstanding as of the end of the organization's tax year? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule L, Part II</i>		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? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule L, Part III</i>		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):		
28a A current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule L, Part IV</i>		X
28b A family member of a current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule L, Part IV</i>		X
28c 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? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule L, Part IV</i>		X
29 Did the organization receive more than \$25,000 in non-cash contributions? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule M</i>		X
30 Did the organization receive contributions of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets, or qualified conservation contributions? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule M</i>		X
31 Did the organization liquidate, terminate, or dissolve and cease operations? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule N, Part I</i>		X
32 Did the organization sell, exchange, dispose of, or transfer more than 25% of its net assets? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule N, Part II</i>		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? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule R, Part I</i>		X
34 Was the organization related to any tax-exempt or taxable entity? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule R, Parts II, III, IV, and V, line 1</i>	X	
35 Is any related organization a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2</i>		X
36 Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2</i>	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? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule R, Part VI</i>		X
38 Did the organization complete Schedule O and provide explanations in Schedule O for Part VI, lines 11 and 19? Note. All Form 990 filers are required to complete Schedule O	X	

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Part V Statements Regarding Other IRS Filings and Tax Compliance

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

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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

	Yes	No
1a Enter the number of voting members of the governing body		
1b Enter the number of voting members that are independent		
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?		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?		X
4 Did the organization make any significant changes to its organizational documents since the prior Form 990 was filed?		X
5 Did the organization become aware during the year of a material diversion of the organization's assets?		X
6 Does the organization have members or stockholders?	X	
7a Does the organization have members, stockholders, or other persons who may elect one or more members of the governing body?	X	
7b Are any decisions of the governing body subject to approval by members, stockholders, or other persons?		X
8 Did the organization contemporaneously document the meetings held or written actions undertaken during the year by the following:		
a The governing body?	X	
b Each committee with authority to act on behalf of the governing body?	X	
9 Is there any officer, director or trustee, or key employee listed in Part VII, Section A, who cannot be reached at the organization's mailing address? If 'Yes,' provide the names and addresses in Schedule O		X

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

	Yes	No
10a Does the organization have local chapters, branches, or affiliates?		X
10b 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?		
11 Has the organization provided a copy of this Form 990 to all members of its governing body before filing the form?	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	X	
12b Are officers, directors or trustees, and key employees required to disclose annually interests that could give rise to conflicts?	X	
12c Does the organization regularly and consistently monitor and enforce compliance with the policy? If 'Yes,' describe in Schedule O how this is done	X	
13 Does the organization have a written whistleblower policy?	X	
14 Does the organization have a written document retention and destruction policy?	X	
15 Did the process for determining compensation of the following persons include a review and approval by independent persons, comparability data, and contemporaneous substantiation of the deliberation and decision?		
a The organization's CEO, Executive Director, or top management official	X	
b Other officers of key employees of the organization	X	
If 'Yes' to line 15a or 15b, describe the process in Schedule O (See instructions)		
16a Did the organization invest in, contribute assets to, or participate in a joint venture or similar arrangement with a taxable entity during the year?		X
16b If 'Yes,' has the organization adopted a written policy or procedure requiring the organization to evaluate its participation in joint venture arrangements under applicable federal tax law, and taken steps to safeguard the organization's exempt status with respect to such arrangements?		

Section C. Disclosures

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

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

► Robert M Hennings 2750 N Lakeview Avenue Chicago IL 60614-1889 (773) 755-4810

Compensation of Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, Highest Compensated Employees, and Independent Contractors

Part VII Section A. Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees (cont.)

(A) Name and Title	(B) Average hours per week	(C) Position (check all that apply)						(D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W-2/1099-MISC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W-2/1099 MISC)	(F) Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations
		Individual trustee or director	Institutional trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former			
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1 b Total								0.	182,119.	20,540.

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

- 3** Did the organization list any **former** officer, director or trustee, key employee, or highest compensated employee on line 1a? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule J for such individual

- 4** For any individual listed on line 1a, is the sum of reportable compensation and other compensation from the organization and related organizations greater than \$150,000? If 'Yes' complete Schedule J for such individual

- 5** Did any person listed on line 1a receive or accrue compensation from any unrelated organization for services rendered to the organization? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule J for such person

	Yes	No
3		X
4		X
5		X

Section B. Independent Contractors

1 Complete this table for your five highest compensated independent contractors that received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization

(A) Name and business address	(B) Description of Services	(C) Compensation

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

Part VIII Statement of Revenue

			(A) Total revenue	(B) Related or exempt function revenue	(C) Unrelated business revenue	(D) Revenue excluded from tax under sections 512, 513, or 514	
CONTRIBUTIONS, GIFTS, GRANTS AND OTHER SIMILAR AMOUNTS	1a Federated campaigns	1a					
	b Membership dues	1b					
	c Fundraising events	1c					
	d Related organizations	1d	950,515.				
	e Government grants (contributions)	1e					
	f All other contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts not included above	1f	18,931.				
	g Noncash contribns included in lns 1a-1f	\$					
	h Total. Add lines 1a-1f		969,446.				
PROGRAM SERVICE REVENUE	Business Code						
	2a						
	b						
	c						
	d						
	e						
	f All other program service revenue						
	g Total. Add lines 2a-2f						
OTHER REVENUE	3 Investment income (including dividends, interest and other similar amounts)		16,881.	0.	0.	16,881.	
	4 Income from investment of tax-exempt bond proceeds						
	5 Royalties						
	6a Gross Rents	(i) Real (ii) Personal					
	b Less rental expenses						
	c Rental income or (loss)						
	d Net rental income or (loss)						
	7a Gross amount from sales of assets other than inventory	(i) Securities (ii) Other					
	b Less cost or other basis and sales expenses						
	c Gain or (loss)						
	d Net gain or (loss)		2,394.	0.	0.	2,394.	
	8a Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ of contributions reported on line 1c) See Part IV, line 18	a					
	b Less direct expenses	b					
	c Net income or (loss) from fundraising events						
	9a Gross income from gaming activities See Part IV, line 19	a					
	b Less direct expenses	b					
	c Net income or (loss) from gaming activities						
	10a Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances	a					
	b Less cost of goods sold	b					
	c Net income or (loss) from sales of inventory						
	Miscellaneous Revenue		Business Code				
	11a Reimb for recognition supplies	900099	12,010.	12,010.	0.	0.	
b Reimb for promotional materials	900099	130.	130.	0.	0.		
c							
d All other revenue							
e Total. Add lines 11a-11d		12,140.					
12 Total revenue. See instructions		1,000,861.	12,140.	0.	19,275.		

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	90,000.	90,000.		
2 Grants and other assistance to individuals in the U S See Part IV, line 22	635,318.	635,318.		
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				
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				
8 Pension plan contributions (include section 401(k) and section 403(b) employer contributions)				
9 Other employee benefits				
10 Payroll taxes				
11 Fees for services (non-employees)				
a Management				
b Legal				
c Accounting	5,115.		5,115.	
d Lobbying				
e Prof fundraising svcs See Part IV, In 17				
f Investment management fees				
g Other	131,064.	86,840.	44,224.	
12 Advertising and promotion	10,291.	10,291.		
13 Office expenses	43,100.		43,100.	
14 Information technology	12,007.		12,007.	
15 Royalties				
16 Occupancy				
17 Travel	1,243.	1,243.		
18 Payments of travel or entertainment expenses for any federal, state, or local public officials				
19 Conferences, conventions, and meetings	12,806.	12,806.		
20 Interest				
21 Payments to affiliates				
22 Depreciation, depletion, and amortization				
23 Insurance				
24 Other expenses Itemize expenses not covered above. (Expenses grouped together and labeled miscellaneous may not exceed 5% of total expenses shown on line 25 below.)				
a -----				
b -----				
c -----				
d -----				
e -----				
f All other expenses				
25 Total functional expenses. Add lines 1 through 24f	940,944.	836,498.	104,446.	
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	100.	1	0.
	2 Savings and temporary cash investments	102,956.	2	119,103.
	3 Pledges and grants receivable, net		3	
	4 Accounts receivable, net	335.	4	715.
	5 Receivables from current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, and highest compensated employees Complete Part II of Schedule L		5	
	6 Receivables from other disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)) and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B) Complete Part II of Schedule L		6	
	7 Notes and loans receivable, net		7	
	8 Inventories for sale or use		8	
	9 Prepaid expenses and deferred charges		9	5,910.
	10a Land, buildings, and equipment cost or other basis Complete Part VI of Schedule D	10a		
	b Less accumulated depreciation	10b	10c	
	11 Investments — publicly-traded securities	304,440.	11	343,932.
	12 Investments — other securities See Part IV, line 11		12	
	13 Investments — program-related See Part IV, line 11		13	
	14 Intangible assets		14	
	15 Other assets See Part IV, line 11		15	
16 Total assets. Add lines 1 through 15 (must equal line 34)	407,831.	16	469,660.	
LIABILITIES	17 Accounts payable and accrued expenses	49,173.	17	23,987.
	18 Grants payable		18	
	19 Deferred revenue		19	
	20 Tax-exempt bond liabilities		20	
	21 Escrow or custodial account liability Complete Part IV of Schedule D		21	
	22 Payables to current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, highest compensated employees, and disqualified persons Complete Part II of Schedule L		22	
	23 Secured mortgages and notes payable to unrelated third parties		23	
	24 Unsecured notes and loans payable to unrelated third parties		24	
	25 Other liabilities. Complete Part X of Schedule D		25	
	26 Total liabilities. Add lines 17 through 25	49,173.	26	23,987.
NET ASSETS OR FUND BALANCES	Organizations that follow SFAS 117, check here <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 27 through 29 and lines 33 and 34.			
	27 Unrestricted net assets	358,658.	27	445,673.
	28 Temporarily restricted net assets		28	
	29 Permanently restricted net assets		29	
	Organizations that do not follow SFAS 117, check here <input type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 30 through 34.			
	30 Capital stock or trust principal, or current funds		30	
	31 Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, building, and equipment fund		31	
	32 Retained earnings, endowment, accumulated income, or other funds		32	
	33 Total net assets or fund balances	358,658.	33	445,673.
	34 Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances	407,831.	34	469,660.

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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		

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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

Elks National Veterans Service Commission

Employer identification number

13-1548228

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 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 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 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
11 g (i)		
11 g (ii)		
11 g (iii)		

h Provide the following information about the supported organizations

(i) Name of Supported Organization	(ii) EIN	(iii) Type of organization (described on lines 1-9 above or IRC section (see instructions))	(iv) Is the organization in col (i) listed in your governing document?		(v) Did you notify the organization in col (i) of your support?		(vi) Is the organization in col (i) organized in the U.S.?		(vii) Amount of Support
			Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	
Total									

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Schedule A (Form 990 or 990-EZ) 2009

Part II Support Schedule for Organizations Described in Sections 170(b)(1)(A)(iv) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi)

(Complete only if you checked the box on line 5, 7, or 8 of Part I.)

Section A. Public Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ▶	(a) 2005	(b) 2006	(c) 2007	(d) 2008	(e) 2009	(f) Total
1 Gifts, grants, contributions and membership fees received (Do not include 'unusual grants'.)	770,636.	805,552.	824,059.	864,994.	969,446.	4,234,687.
2 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to it or expended on its behalf						
3 The value of services or facilities furnished to the organization by a governmental unit without charge. Do not include the value of services or facilities generally furnished to the public without charge.						
4 Total. Add lines 1-through 3	770,636.	805,552.	824,059.	864,994.	969,446.	4,234,687.
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						4,234,687.

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	770,636.	805,552.	824,059.	864,994.	969,446.	4,234,687.
8 Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources	22,889.	21,880.	24,051.	21,755.	16,881.	107,456.
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.)						
11 Total support. Add lines 7 through 10						4,342,143.
12 Gross receipts from related activities, etc. (see instructions)					12	41,874.

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	97.53 %
15 Public support percentage from 2008 Schedule A, Part II, line 14	15	97.41 %

16a 33-1/3 support test – 2009. If the organization did not check the box on line 13, and the 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 ☐

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Schedule A (Form 990 or 990-EZ) 2009

Part III. Support Schedule for Organizations Described in Section 509(a)(2)

(Complete only if you checked the box on line 9 of Part I.)

Section A. Public Support

Calendar year (or fiscal yr 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 'unusual grants'.)						
2 Gross receipts from admissions, merchandise sold or services performed, or facilities furnished in a activity that is related to the organization's tax-exempt purpose						
3 Gross receipts from activities that are not an unrelated trade or business under section 513						
4 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf						
5 The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge						
6 Total. Add lines 1 through 5						
7a Amounts included on lines 1, 2, 3 received from disqualified persons						
b Amounts included on lines 2 and 3 received from other than disqualified persons that exceed the greater of 1% of the amount on line 13 for the year						
c Add lines 7a and 7b						
8 Public support (Subtract line 7c from line 6.)						

Section B. Total Support

Calendar year (or fiscal yr beginning in) ▶	(a) 2005	(b) 2006	(c) 2007	(d) 2008	(e) 2009	(f) Total
9 Amounts from line 6						
10a Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources						
b Unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 taxes) from businesses acquired after June 30, 1975						
c Add lines 10a and 10b						
11 Net income from unrelated business activities not included in line 10b, whether or not the business is regularly carried on						
12 Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part IV.)						
13 Total support. (add lns 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. ▶ <input type="checkbox"/>						

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 19a, and line 16 is more than 33-1/3%, and line 18 is not more than 33-1/3%, check this box and **stop here.** The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization. ▶ ☐

20 Private foundation. If the organization did not check a box on line 14, 19a, or 19b, check this box and see instructions. ▶ ☐

Part IV **Supplemental Information.** Complete this part to provide the explanations required by Part II, line 10; Part II, line 17a or 17b; and Part III, line 12. Provide any other additional information. See instructions.

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**SCHEDULE D
(Form 990)**Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Name of the organization

Supplemental Financial Statements

- **Complete if the organization answered 'Yes,' to Form 990,
Part IV, lines 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, or 12.**
► **Attach to Form 990.** ► **See separate instructions**

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Part II 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 may 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 III 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 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 Year
a Total number of conservation easements	2a
b Total acreage restricted by conservation easements	2b
c Number of conservation easements on a certified historic structure included in (a)	2c
d Number of conservation easements included in (c) acquired after 8/17/06	2d

3 Number of conservation easements modified, transferred, released, extinguished, or terminated by the organization during the tax year ► _____

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

5 Does the organization have a written policy regarding the periodic monitoring, inspection, handling of violations, and enforcement of the conservation easement 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 170(h)(4)(B)(ii)? ☐ Yes ☐ No

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Part III Organizations Maintaining Collections of Art, Historical Treasures, or Other Similar Assets (continued)

3 Using the organization's acquisition accession and other records, check any of the following that are a significant use of its collection items (check all that apply):

a ☐ Public exhibition

b ☐ Scholarly research

c ☐ Preservation for future generations

d ☐ Loan or exchange programs

e ☐ Other _____

4 Provide a description of the organization's collections and explain how they further the organization's exempt purpose in Part XIV

5 During the year, did the organization solicit or receive donations of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets to be sold to raise funds rather than to be maintained as part of the organization's collection?

☐ Yes

☐ No

Part IV Escrow and Custodial Arrangements Complete if organization answered 'Yes' to Form 990, Part IV, line 9, or reported an amount on Form 990, Part X, line 21.

1a Is the organization an agent, trustee, custodian, or other intermediary for contributions or other assets not included on Form 990, Part X?

☐ Yes

☐ No

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

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

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

☐ Yes

☐ No

b If 'Yes,' explain the arrangement in Part XIV

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

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

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

a Board designated or quasi-endowment ▶ _____ %

b Permanent endowment ▶ _____ %

c Term endowment ▶ _____ %

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

(i) unrelated organizations

(ii) related organizations

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

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

4 Describe in Part XIV the intended uses of the organization's endowment funds

Part VI Investments—Land, Buildings, and Equipment. See Form 990, Part X, line 10.

Description of investment	(a) Cost or other basis (investment)	(b) Cost or other basis (other)	(c) Accumulated Depreciation	(d) Book Value
1a Land				
b Buildings				
c Leasehold improvements				
d Equipment				
e Other				

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

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Schedule D (Form 990) 2009

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

1	Total revenue (Form 990, Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	1,000,861.
2	Total expenses (Form 990, Part IX, column (A), line 25)	940,944.
3	Excess or (deficit) for the year Subtract line 2 from line 1	59,917.
4	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	27,098.
5	Donated services and use of facilities	
6	Investment expenses	
7	Prior period adjustments	
8	Other (Describe in Part XIV)	
9	Total adjustments (net) Add lines 4 through 8	27,098.
10	Excess or (deficit) for the year per audited financial statements Combine lines 3 and 9	87,015.

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	1,026,459.
2	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12:		
a	Net unrealized gains on investments	2a	27,098.
b	Donated services and use of facilities	2b	
c	Recoveries of prior year grants	2c	
d	Other (Describe in Part XIV)	2d	
e	Add lines 2a through 2d	2e	27,098.
3	Subtract line 2e from line 1	3	999,361.
4	Amounts included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, but not on line 1:		
a	Investments expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b	4a	1,500.
b	Other (Describe in Part XIV)	4b	
c	Add lines 4a and 4b	4c	1,500.
5	Total revenue Add lines 3 and 4c. (This must equal Form 990, Part I, line 12.)	5	1,000,861.

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

1	Total expenses and losses per audited financial statements	1	939,444.
2	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part IX, line 25:		
a	Donated services and use of facilities	2a	
b	Prior year adjustments	2b	
c	Other losses	2c	
d	Other (Describe in Part XIV)	2d	
e	Add lines 2a through 2d	2e	
3	Subtract line 2e from line 1	3	939,444.
4	Amounts included on Form 990, Part IX, line 25, but not on line 1:		
a	Investments expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b	4a	1,500.
b	Other (Describe in Part XIV)	4b	
c	Add lines 4a and 4b	4c	1,500.
5	Total expenses Add lines 3 and 4c. (This must equal Form 990, Part I, line 18.)	5	940,944.

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.

Sch D, Part X, Ln 2 The Commission has adopted the provisions of FASB Interpretation No. 48, Accounting for Uncertainty in Income Taxes, (FIN 48). Under FIN 48, an organization must recognize the tax benefit associated with tax positions taken or expected to be taken in the organization's tax return when it is more-likely-than-not the position will be sustained upon examination by a taxing authority. The implementation of FIN 48 had no impact on the Commission's financial statements. The Commission does not believe it has taken any material uncertain tax positions and, accordingly, it has not recorded any liability for unrecognized tax benefits.

Part XIV Supplemental Information (continued)

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

Complete if the organization answered 'Yes,' to Form 990, Part IV, lines 21 or 22.
▶ Attach to Form 990.

Name of the organization

Name of the organization

Elks National Veterans Service Commission

Employer identification number

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Part III 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

☒ Yes ☐ No

Part III PARTIAL FUNDING PROGRAMS	Grants and Other Assistance to Governments and Organizations in the United States. Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' to Form
	Grants and Other Assistance to Governments and Organizations in the United States. Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' to Form

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	
Dept of Veterans Affairs 2121 North Ave (11K) Grand Junction CO 81501		Govt entity	6,000.				Winter sports	
Dept of Veterans Affairs 4815 N Assembly Street Spokane WA 99205		Govt entity	6,000.				Wheelchair gam	
Dept of Veterans Affairs 700 S 19th Street Birmingham AL 35233		Govt entity	6,000.				Golden age gam	
Dept of Veterans Affairs 7400 Merton Winter Blvd San Antonio TX 78229		Govt entity	6,000.				Creative arts	
Wounded Warrior Project 7020 AC Skinner Pkwy Jacksonville FL 32256	20-2370934	501(c)(3)	50,000.				Outdoor events	

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

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(a) Type of grant or assistance	(b) Number of recipients	(c) Amount of cash grant	(d) Amount of non-cash assistance	(e) Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other)	(f) Description of non-cash assistance
Comfort items distributed to vets	300,000		522,310.	Book	Toiletries & misc items
Playing cards distributed to vets	40,000		4,822.	Book	Playing cards
Leather goods distributed to vets	65,000		96,195.	Book	Leather goods
Entertainment activities for vets	7,500		11,992.	Book	Entertainment

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

Pt I Line 2 Grants are awarded to support events for the benefit of disabled veterans. These events are presented by the Department of Veterans Affairs and other exempt organizations that are dedicated to serving disabled veterans.

Pt III, Line 1 Volunteers are given a monthly allowance to purchase refreshments, toiletry accessories and personal hygiene items, clothing, magazines, and miscellaneous items for the benefit of hospitalized or disabled veterans. The volunteers provide the Organization with a monthly accounting of their activities and use of funds. This reporting serves as the basis for the Organization's estimate of the number of veterans served.

Schedule I (Form 990) - Part IV - Supplemental Information (continued)

Schedule I (Form 990) - Part IV - Supplemental Information (Continuation Sheet)

Pt III, Line 2 The Organization procured donations of playing cards and distributed 40,000 decks to hospitalized and disabled veterans.

Pt III, Line 3 The leather program encompasses processing donated animal hides into leather, manufacturing leather craft kits, and purchasing leather gloves. The kits and tooling leather are used in occupational and recreational therapy. The gloves are provided to wheelchair bound veterans.

Pt III, Line 4 The Organization provides lodging and meal subsidies for an entertainment group performing for hospitalized or disabled veterans. Performances were held at 145 VA medical centers and state homes during the year.

SCHEDULE O
(Form 990)

Supplemental Information to Form 990

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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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Pt VI-A, Line 6 The Organization's Board of Trustees is appointed by the Grand Exalted
Ruler (GER) of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks of the United States
of America (BPOE). The GER is elected by membership of the BPOE.

Pt VI-A, Line 7a Refer to response Pt VI-A, Line 6

Pt VI-B, Line 11A Members of the Board of Trustees receive a copy of Form 990 prior to its
filing with the IRS. Questions and comments that arise are discussed with
the Director and are resolved before the return is signed and filed.

Pt VI-B, Line 12c The Organization adopted a written conflict of interest policy
that each member of the Board of Trustees signed when adopted.

In addition, the Board members and the Organization's officers are
required to annually review the policy and sign a conflict of
interest certification to acknowledge the policy was reviewed
and to disclose all material facts of any actual or possible conflicts
of interests by themselves or their family to the other Board
members. The Board, exclusive of the interested person, determine
whether a conflict of interest exists and whether it is in the
best interest of the Organization to enter into the transaction
or arrangement.

Pt VI-B, Line 15 The Organization utilized employees of the Benevolent and Protective
Order of Elks of the United States of America (BPOE) and reimburses
them for their wages and related payroll costs. The BPOE
maintains a compensation committee that reviews annual salaries
based on performance reviews and market data.

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Pt VI-C, Line 19 Requests for audited financial statements, tax returns,
and governing documents are channeled through the Director.
In accordance with Federal disclosure requirements, the documents
are made available on the same day if the request is made in person at
2750 N Lakeview Avenue, Chicago, IL or within 30 days if written
requests are received.

SCHEDULE R
(Form 990)

Related Organizations and Unrelated Partnerships

► **Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' to Form 990, Part IV, lines 33, 34, 35, 36, or 37.**
► **Attach to Form 990.** ► **See separate instructions.**

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

[illegible]

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

[illegible]

Part III Identification of Related Organizations Taxable as a Partnership (Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' to Form 990, Part IV, line 34, because it had one or more related organizations treated as a partnership during the tax year.)

(A) Name, address, and EIN of related organization	(B) Primary Activity	(C) Legal domicile (state or foreign country)	(D) Direct controlling entity	(E) Predominant income (related, unrelated, excluded from tax under sections 512-514)	(F) Share of total income	(G) Share of end-of-year assets	(H) Dispropor- tionate allocations?		(I) Code V-UBI amount in box 20 of Schedule K-1 (Form 1065)	(J) General or managing partner?	
							Yes	No		Yes	No

Part IV Identification of Related Organizations Taxable as a Corporation or Trust (Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' to Form 990, Part IV, line 34 because it had one or more related organizations treated as a corporation or trust during the tax year.)

(A) Name, address, and EIN of related organization	(B) Primary Activity	(C) Legal domicile (state or foreign country)	(D) Direct controlling entity	(E) Type of entity (C corp, S corp, or trust)	(F) Share of total income	(G) Share of end-of-year assets	(H) Percentage ownership

Part V Transactions With Related Organizations (Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' to Form 990, Part IV, line 34, 35, or 36.)**Note** Complete line 1 if any entity is listed in Parts II, III, or IV of this schedule**1** During the tax year did the organization engage in any of the following transactions with one or more related organizations listed in Parts II-IV**a** Receipt of (i) interest (ii) annuities (iii) royalties (iv) rent from a controlled entity**b** Gift, grant, or capital contribution to other organization(s)**c** Gift, grant, or capital contribution from other organization(s)**d** Loans or loan guarantees to or for other organization(s)**e** Loans or loan guarantees by other organization(s)**f** Sale of assets to other organization(s)**g** Purchase of assets from other organization(s)**h** Exchange of assets**i** Lease of facilities, equipment, or other assets to other organization(s)**j** Lease of facilities, equipment, or other assets from other organization(s)**k** Performance of services or membership or fundraising solicitations for other organization(s)**l** Performance of services or membership or fundraising solicitations by other organization(s)**m** Sharing of facilities, equipment, mailing lists, or other assets**n** Sharing of paid employees**o** Reimbursement paid to other organization for expenses**p** Reimbursement paid by other organization for expenses**q** Other transfer of cash or property to other organization(s)**r** Other transfer of cash or property from other organization(s)**2** If the answer to any of the above is 'Yes,' see the instructions for information on who must complete this line, including covered relationships and transaction thresholds.

		(A) Name of other organization	(B) Transaction type (a-r)	(C) Amount involved
(1)	Benevolent & Protective Order of Elks of the USA		n	93,105.
(2)				
(3)				
(4)				
(5)				
(6)				
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Unrelated Organizations Taxable as a Partnership (Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 37.)

(A)
Name, address, and EIN of entity

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Form 990, Page 2, Part III, Line 1 (continued)

Briefly describe the organization's mission.

military reservists and national guard called to active duty in Iraq and Afghanistan.
