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Form 990  Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service	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 07-01-2009 and ending 06-30-2010		B Check if applicable ☐ Address change ☐ Name change ☐ Initial return ☐ Terminated ☐ Amended return ☐ Application pending		C Name of organization AMERICAN FOUNDATION FOR THE BLIND INC Doing Business As Number and street (or P O box if mail is not delivered to street address) Room/suite 2 PENN PLAZA No 1102 City or town, state or country, and ZIP + 4 NEW YORK, NY 10121		D Employer identification number 13-5562161 E Telephone number (212) 502-7600 G Gross receipts \$ 19,843,369	
		F Name and address of principal officer CARL AUGUSTO 2 PENN PLAZA No 1102 NEW YORK, NY 10121		H(a) Is this a group return for affiliates? ☐ Yes ☒ No H(b) Are all affiliates included? ☐ Yes ☐ No If "No," attach a list (see instructions) H(c) Group exemption number			
I Tax-exempt status ☒ 501(c) (3) (insert no) ☐ 4947(a)(1) or ☐ 527							
J Website: WWW AFB ORG							
K Form of organization ☒ Corporation ☐ Trust ☐ Association ☐ Other		L Year of formation 1921		M State of legal domicile DE			

Part I		Summary		
Activities & Governance	1	Briefly describe the organization's mission or most significant activities AFB IS A NATIONAL NON-PROFIT THAT EXPANDS POSSIBILITIES FOR PEOPLE WITH VISION LOSS		
	2	Check this box ☐ if the organization discontinued its operations or disposed of more than 25% of its net assets		
	3	Number of voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1a)	3 2	
	4	Number of independent voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1b)	4 2	
	5	Total number of employees (Part V, line 2a)	5 12	
	6	Total number of volunteers (estimate if necessary)	6 10	
	7a	Total gross unrelated business revenue from Part VIII, column (C), line 12	7a 25,68	
	b	Net unrelated business taxable income from Form 990-T, line 34	7b	
Revenue	8	Contributions and grants (Part VIII, line 1h)	Prior Year 6,471,447	Current Year 6,298,657
	9	Program service revenue (Part VIII, line 2g)	403,637	293,158
	10	Investment income (Part VIII, column (A), lines 3, 4, and 7d)	1,626,125	384,370
	11	Other revenue (Part VIII, column (A), lines 5, 6d, 8c, 9c, 10c, and 11e)	3,356,087	1,347,788
	12	Total revenue—add lines 8 through 11 (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	11,857,296	8,323,973
	Expenses	13	Grants and similar amounts paid (Part IX, column (A), lines 1–3)	59,000
14		Benefits paid to or for members (Part IX, column (A), line 4)		0
15		Salaries, other compensation, employee benefits (Part IX, column (A), lines 5–10)	8,816,734	7,130,195
16a		Professional fundraising fees (Part IX, column (A), line 11e)	506,238	337,010
b		Total fundraising expenses (Part IX, column (D), line 25) <u>3,007,898</u>		
17		Other expenses (Part IX, column (A), lines 11a–11d, 11f–24f)	7,954,649	5,432,888
18		Total expenses Add lines 13–17 (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	17,336,621	12,959,093
19		Revenue less expenses Subtract line 18 from line 12	-5,479,325	-4,635,120
Net Assets or Fund Balances			Beginning of Current Year	End of Year
	20	Total assets (Part X, line 16)	43,819,891	42,988,936
	21	Total liabilities (Part X, line 26)	2,109,309	1,829,140
	22	Net assets or fund balances Subtract line 21 from line 20	41,710,582	41,159,796

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 2011-02-11 Date
	Rick Bozeman CFO & ASSISTANT TREASURER Type or print name and title
Paid Preparer's Use Only	Preparer's signature Date Check if self-employed ☐ Preparer's identifying number (see instructions)
	Firm's name (or yours if self-employed), address, and ZIP + 4 Hayflich & Steinberg CPA's PLLC 8 Stonecrest Drive Huntington, WV 25701
	EIN Phone no (304) 697-5700

Part III

Statement of Program Service Accomplishments

1

Briefly describe the organization’s mission

The American Foundation for the Blind (AFB) is a national nonprofit that expands possibilities for people with vision loss. AFB's priorities include broadening access to technology, elevating the quality of information and tools for the professionals who serve people with vision loss, and promoting independent and healthy living for people with vision loss by providing them and their families with relevant and timely resources. AFB's work in these areas is supported by the strong presence the organization maintains in Washington, DC, ensuring the rights and interests of people with vision loss are represented in our nation's public policies. In addition to its New York City headquarters and Public Policy Center in Washington, DC, AFB maintains offices in Atlanta, Dallas, Huntington, WV, and San Francisco. AFB is also proud to house the Helen Keller Archives and honor the over forty years that Helen Keller worked tirelessly with AFB to expand possibilities for people with vision loss.

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 \$ 3,688,418 including grants of \$ 59,000) (Revenue \$ 281,327)
	Information development, collection, and dissemination - AFB is the home of the Helen Keller Archives, the largest collection of Keller's writings and photographs in the world. The archives also house a rare collection of early historical books on blindness and the largest assemblage of print materials about the non-medical aspects of blindness and visual impairment in the world. This collection includes 45,000 photographs, letters, documents, speeches, itineraries, scrapbook entries, blueprints, sound recordings, manuscripts, and more. An accessible electronic finding aid that describes the archival materials is available and can be searched and browsed by researchers and the general public on AFB's web site. - AFB's Information Center is a one-stop information and referral resource for vision loss that serves thousands of individuals each year via a toll-free phone number, email, and the Internet. An array of materials and customizable packets of information on nearly all aspects of blindness and visual impairment are available. - AFB Press is the leading publisher in the field of blindness and visual impairment, with a catalog of innovative and diverse educational and research materials for professionals, service providers, and family members of people who are blind or visually impaired. This year, AFB Press updated and expanded its award-winning Foundations series, the leading university textbooks on visual impairment used by special education programs both in the United States and abroad. Foundations of Low Vision: Clinical and Functional Perspectives, the groundbreaking text that highlighted the importance of the functional reality of low vision, has been updated and expanded. And Foundations of Orientation and Mobility, the essential reference and teaching tool on O&M, has been completely revised and expanded to two volumes by the most prominent experts in the field. - AFB CareerConnect, a web initiative aimed at improving job opportunities for people with vision loss, launched the Job Seeker's Toolkit, a comprehensive, self-paced online course for students and job seekers to obtain lasting learning on career exploration. The courses provide registrants with guidelines for exploring the careers and for conducting successful job searches. - With 2.3 million Hispanic/Latino Americans (ages 18 and older) experiencing vision loss, there is a real, present need for more information to be available in Spanish. AFB is directly reaching this important audience by making an increasing amount of its information resources available in Spanish. AFB recently launched the Spanish language version of its FamilyConnect website (familyconnect.org). Featuring 300 articles translated from the English site, FamilyConnect en Español brings a wealth of information to Spanish-speaking families with a visually impaired child.

4b	(Code) (Expenses \$ 3,004,442 including grants of \$) (Revenue \$ 310,160)
	Issue Identification, Analysis, and Problem Solving - AFB announced a partnership with the Academy for Certification of Vision Rehabilitation and Education Professionals (ACVREP) to offer continuing education units (CEUs) through AFB's scholarly periodical, the Journal of Visual Impairment & Blindness (JVIB). Under the arrangement, ACVREP-certified professionals can earn CEUs online by reading JVIB articles and answering questions based on their content. In addition, professionals can earn credits through participation in free web cast seminars presented by AFB's CareerConnect with AT&T. Dedicated to building career and education tools for people with vision loss, AFB's webinars have proven so popular that they are being archived and made available online. - AFB Consulting, the organization's consulting arm, offers a wide range of industries expert solutions to make their products and services accessible to all people with disabilities. This year, AFB Consulting helped ensure the accessibility of high-volume PDF documents, including banking, credit card and investment statements. Working with Actuate, AFB Consulting evaluated the usability of Xenos Axxess, the first enterprise-class solution to produce high volumes of accessible PDFs. Xenos Axxess filled a much needed gap in addressing the accessibility of financial statements and other business documents that are delivered in PDF. In addition, AFB Consulting teamed up with VitalSource Technologies, Inc., an Ingram Content Company, to ensure its industry-leading VitalSource Bookshelf e-textbook platform is accessible to students with disabilities.

4c	(Code) (Expenses \$ 938,832 including grants of \$) (Revenue \$ 662,893)
	Production, Sale, & Distribution of Audio Material Talking Book Productions (TBP), produced work for several organizations, including, The Library of Congress, The Florida Department of Environmental Protection, CTB/McGraw-Hill, and The Center for Medicare Services. In February 2008 the Foundation's Board of Trustees authorized the discontinuation of the Talking Book operations. The Talking Book labeling operation was shut down in August 2009 and the studio recording operation was shut down in October 2009.

4d	Other program services (Describe in Schedule O) See also Additional Data for Description
	(Expenses \$ 768,567 including grants of \$) (Revenue \$ 35,591)
4e	Total program service expenses \$ 8,400,259

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	1	Yes
2	Is the organization required to complete Schedule B, Schedule of Contributors?	2	Yes
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	3	No
4	Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Did the organization engage in lobbying activities? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part II	4	Yes
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	5	
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	6	No
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	7	No
8	Did the organization maintain collections of works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part III	8	Yes
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	9	No
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	10	Yes
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.	11	Yes
	◆ 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	12	No
12A	Was the organization included in consolidated, independent audited financial statements for the tax year?	Yes	No
	If "Yes," completing Schedule D, Parts XI, XII, and XIII is optional	12A	Yes
13	Is the organization a school described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? If "Yes," complete Schedule E	13	No
14a	Did the organization maintain an office, employees, or agents outside of the United States?	14a	No
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	14b	No
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 U S ? If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Part II	15	No
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 U S ? If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Part III	16	No
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	17	Yes
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	18	Yes
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	19	No
20	Did the organization operate one or more hospitals? If "Yes," complete Schedule H	20	No

Part IV

Checklist of Required Schedules (continued)

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>	21	Yes	
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>	22	Yes	
23	Did the organization answer "Yes" to Part VII, Section A, questions 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>	23	Yes	
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? <i>If "Yes," answer questions 24b-24d and complete Schedule K. If "No," go to line 25</i>	24a		No
b	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	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>	25a		No
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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I</i>	25b		No
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>	26		No
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>	27		No
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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV</i>	28a		No
b	A family member of a current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV</i>	28b		No
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 owner? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV</i>	28c		No
29	Did the organization receive more than \$25,000 in non-cash contributions? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule M</i>	29		No
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>	30		No
31	Did the organization liquidate, terminate, or dissolve and cease operations? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part I</i>	31		No
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>	32		No
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>	33		No
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>	34	Yes	
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>	35		No
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>	36		No
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>	37		No
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	38	Yes	

Part V

Statements Regarding Other IRS Filings and Tax Compliance

			Yes	No
1a	Enter the number reported in Box 3 of Form 1096, <i>Annual Summary and Transmittal of U.S. Information Returns</i> . Enter -0- if not applicable	1a	178	
	b	Enter the number of Forms W-2G included in line 1a. Enter -0- if not applicable	1b	
c		Did the organization comply with backup withholding rules for reportable payments to vendors and reportable gaming (gambling) winnings to prize winners?		1c
2a	Enter the number of employees reported on Form W-3, <i>Transmittal of Wage and Tax Statements</i> filed for the calendar year ending with or within the year covered by this return	2a	123	
	b			
3a		Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year covered by this return?		3a
b		If "Yes," has it filed a Form 990-T for this year? If "No," provide an explanation in Schedule O		3b
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
	b			
5a		Was the organization a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction at any time during the tax year?		5a
b		Did any taxable party notify the organization that it was or is a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction?		5b
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
	b			6b
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?		7a
b		If "Yes," did the organization notify the donor of the value of the goods or services provided?		7b
c		Did the organization sell, exchange, or otherwise dispose of tangible personal property for which it was required to file Form 8282?		7c
d		If "Yes," indicate the number of Forms 8282 filed during the year		7d
e		Did the organization, during the year, receive any funds, directly or indirectly, to pay premiums on a personal benefit contract?		7e
f		Did the organization, during the year, pay premiums, directly or indirectly, on a personal benefit contract?		7f
g		For all contributions of qualified intellectual property, did the organization file Form 8899 as required?		7g
h		For contributions of cars, boats, airplanes, and other vehicles, did the organization file a Form 1098-C as required?		7h
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
9		Sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds.		
a		Did the organization make any taxable distributions under section 4966?		9a
b		Did the organization make a distribution to a donor, donor advisor, or related person?		9b
10		Section 501(c)(7) organizations. Enter		
a		Initiation fees and capital contributions included on Part VIII, line 12		10a
b		Gross receipts, included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, for public use of club facilities		10b
11		Section 501(c)(12) organizations. Enter		
a		Gross income from members or shareholders		11a
b		Gross income from other sources (Do not net amounts due or paid to other sources against amounts due or received from them)		11b
12a		Section 4947(a)(1) non-exempt charitable trusts. Is the organization filing Form 990 in lieu of Form 1041?		12a
b		If "Yes," enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the year		12b

Part VI

Governance, Management, and Disclosure

For each "Yes" response to lines 2 through 7b below, and for a "No" response to lines 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	1a	25	
b	Enter the number of voting members that are independent	1b	25	
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		No
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		No
4	Did the organization make any significant changes to its organizational documents since the prior Form 990 was filed?	4		No
5	Did the organization become aware during the year of a material diversion of the organization's assets?	5		No
6	Does the organization have members or stockholders?	6		No
7a	Does the organization have members, stockholders, or other persons who may elect one or more members of the governing body?	7a		No
b	Are any decisions of the governing body subject to approval by members, stockholders, or other persons?	7b		No
8	Did the organization contemporaneously document the meetings held or written actions undertaken during the year by the following			
a	The governing body?	8a	Yes	
b	Each committee with authority to act on behalf of the governing body?	8b	Yes	
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		No

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?	10a		No
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?	10b		
11	Has the organization provided a copy of this Form 990 to all members of its governing body before filing the form?	11	Yes	
11A	Describe in Schedule O the process, if any, used by the organization to review the Form 990			
12a	Does the organization have a written conflict of interest policy? If "No," go to line 13	12a	Yes	
b	Are officers, directors or trustees, and key employees required to disclose annually interests that could give rise to conflicts?	12b	Yes	
c	Does the organization regularly and consistently monitor and enforce compliance with the policy? If "Yes," describe in Schedule O how this is done	12c	Yes	
13	Does the organization have a written whistleblower policy?	13	Yes	
14	Does the organization have a written document retention and destruction policy?	14	Yes	
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	15a	Yes	
b	Other officers or key employees of the organization	15b	Yes	
	If "Yes" to line a or b, 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?	16a		No
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?	16b		

Section C. Disclosure

17	List the States with which a copy of this Form 990 is required to be filed▶AK , AL , AR , AZ , CA , CT , DC , FL , GA , IA , ID , IL , IN , KS , KY , MA , MD , ME , MI , MN , MS , MT , NC , ND , NH , NJ , NM , NY , OH , OK , OR , PA , RI , SC , TN , UT , VA , WA , WI , WV
18	Section 6104 requires an organization to make its Form 1023 (or 1024 if applicable), 990, and 990-T (501(c) (3)s only) available for public inspection. Indicate how you make these available. Check all that apply. ☒ Own website ☐ Another's website ☒ Upon request
19	Describe in Schedule O whether (and if so, how), the organization makes its governing documents, conflict of interest policy, and financial statements available to the public. See Additional Data Table.
20	State the name, physical address, and telephone number of the person who possesses the books and records of the organization ▶ RICK BOZEMAN 1000 5TH AVENUE STE 350 HUNTINGTON, WV 25701 (304) 710-3021

Section A. Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees

☐ Check this box if the organization did not compensate any current or former officer, director, trustee or key employee

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1b Total	1,795,815	0	236,990
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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 **15**

		Yes	No
3	Did the organization list any former officer, director or trustee, key employee, or highest compensated employee on line 1a? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual</i>	3	No
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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual</i>	4	Yes
5	Did any person listed on line 1a receive or accrue compensation from any unrelated organization for services rendered to the organization? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such person</i>	5	No

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
HOLLAND AND KNIGHT LLP PO BOX 864084 ORLANDO, FL 32886	LEGAL	157,709
SHM AUDIO PRODUCTIONS 292 BROUGHTON AVENUE BLOOMFIELD, NJ 07003	AUDIO RECORDING	140,585
LOFFREDO BROOKS ARCHITECTS 118 W 22ND STREET NEW YORK, NY 10011	ARCHITECTUAL	100,539

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 **3**

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	9,370				
	d	Related organizations	1d	1,997,884				
	e	Government grants (contributions)	1e	145,574				
	f	All other contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts not included above	1f	4,145,829				
	g	Noncash contributions included in lines 1a-1f \$ _____						
	h	Total. Add lines 1a-1f		6,298,657				
Program Service Revenue			Business Code					
	2a	Fees For Services	900,099	293,158	293,158			
	b							
	c							
	d							
	e							
	f	All other program service revenue						
	g	Total. Add lines 2a-2f		293,158				
Other Revenue	3	Investment income (including dividends, interest and other similar amounts)		995,459			995,459	
	4	Income from investment of tax-exempt bond proceeds . .						
	5	Royalties		2			2	
	6a	Gross Rents	(i) Real	(ii) Personal				
			41,971					
		b	Less rental expenses	21,195				
		c	Rental income or (loss)	20,776				
	d	Net rental income or (loss)		20,776			20,776	
	7a	Gross amount from sales of assets other than inventory	(i) Securities	(ii) Other				
			10,011,895					
		b	Less cost or other basis and sales expenses	10,622,984				
		c	Gain or (loss)	-611,089				
	d	Net gain or (loss)		-611,089			-611,089	
	8a	Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ 9,370 of contributions reported on line 1c) See Part IV, line 18						
			a	341,970				
		b	Less direct expenses	b	195,540			
	c	Net income or (loss) from fundraising events . .		146,430			146,430	
	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	1,532,925					
	b	Less cost of goods sold	b	679,677				
c	Net income or (loss) from sales of inventory . .		853,248	827,568	25,680			
Miscellaneous Revenue		Business Code						
11a	Other Miscellaneous In	900,099	323,477	165,390		158,087		
b	Archive Permission Lib	511,140	5,285	5,285				
c	Registration Fees Inco	900,099	-1,430	-1,430				
d	All other revenue							
e	Total. Add lines 11a-11d		327,332					
12	Total revenue. See Instructions		8,323,973	1,289,971	25,680	709,665		

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	40,000	40,000		
2	Grants and other assistance to individuals in the U S See Part IV, line 22	19,000	19,000		
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	1,337,770	873,112	184,733	279,925
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	4,623,931	3,482,962	516,164	624,805
8	Pension plan contributions (include section 401(k) and section 403(b) employer contributions)	243,504	187,748	26,959	28,797
9	Other employee benefits	433,743	325,230	52,055	56,458
10	Payroll taxes	491,247	360,284	57,709	73,254
11	Fees for services (non-employees)				
a	Management				
b	Legal	122,327	17,784	27,914	76,629
c	Accounting	79,974		79,974	
d	Lobbying	26,320	26,320		
e	Professional fundraising See Part IV, line 17	337,010			337,010
f	Investment management fees				
g	Other	505,483	505,483		
12	Advertising and promotion				
13	Office expenses	1,541,740	325,188	185,433	1,031,119
14	Information technology	218,927	218,927		
15	Royalties				
16	Occupancy	993,758	783,118	138,228	72,412
17	Travel	437,014	263,455	69,969	103,590
18	Payments of travel or entertainment expenses for any federal, state, or local public officials				
19	Conferences, conventions, and meetings				
20	Interest				
21	Payments to affiliates				
22	Depreciation, depletion, and amortization	629,167	497,936	118,442	12,789
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	Other Selling Expenses	319,159	298,822	15,499	4,838
b	Project Expenses	272,251	27,783	3,614	240,854
c	Other Expenses	203,462	63,801	74,243	65,418
d	Readers Fees	83,306	83,306		
e					
f	All other expenses				
25	Total functional expenses. Add lines 1 through 24f	12,959,093	8,400,259	1,550,936	3,007,898
26	Joint costs. Check here ☐ if following SOP 98-2 Complete this line only if the organization reported in column (B) joint costs from a combined educational campaign and fundraising solicitation				

Part X

Balance Sheet

					(A)		(B)
					Beginning of year		End of year
Assets	1	Cash—non-interest-bearing			456,152	1	331,551
	2	Savings and temporary cash investments			650,790	2	3,307,843
	3	Pledges and grants receivable, net			5,367,684	3	3,661,226
	4	Accounts receivable, net			1,076,285	4	313,211
	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			196,239	7	162,714
	8	Inventories for sale or use			441,796	8	352,946
	9	Prepaid expenses and deferred charges			246,916	9	321,037
	10a	Land, buildings, and equipment cost or other basis Complete Part VI of Schedule D	10a	4,898,106	1,880,185	10c	2,052,337
	b	Less accumulated depreciation	10b	2,845,769			
	11	Investments—publicly traded securities			29,797,803	11	28,501,195
	12	Investments—other securities See Part IV, line 11			3,262,392	12	3,460,176
	13	Investments—program-related See Part IV, line 11				13	
	14	Intangible assets				14	
	15	Other assets See Part IV, line 11			443,649	15	524,700
	16	Total assets. Add lines 1 through 15 (must equal line 34)			43,819,891	16	42,988,936
Liabilities	17	Accounts payable and accrued expenses			1,553,689	17	931,177
	18	Grants payable				18	
	19	Deferred revenue			170,234	19	607,712
	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			385,386	25	290,251
	26	Total liabilities. Add lines 17 through 25			2,109,309	26	1,829,140
Net Assets or Fund Balances	Organizations that follow SFAS 117, check here ☒ and complete lines 27 through 29, and lines 33 and 34.						
	27	Unrestricted net assets			21,372,451	27	22,089,431
	28	Temporarily restricted net assets			16,775,364	28	15,290,528
	29	Permanently restricted net assets			3,562,767	29	3,779,837
	Organizations that do not follow SFAS 117, check here ☐ and complete lines 30 through 34.						
	30	Capital stock or trust principal, or current funds				30	
	31	Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, building or equipment fund				31	
	32	Retained earnings, endowment, accumulated income, or other funds				32	
	33	Total net assets or fund balances			41,710,582	33	41,159,796
	34	Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances			43,819,891	34	42,988,936

Part XI **Financial Statements and Reporting**

	Yes	No
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? . . .		No
b Were the organization's financial statements audited by an independent accountant?	Yes	
c If "Yes," to 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	Yes	
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 separated 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?		No
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 . . .		

SCHEDULE A

(Form 990 or 990EZ)

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.

OMB No 1545-0047

2009

Open to Public
Inspection

Name of the organization AMERICAN FOUNDATION FOR THE BLIND INC	Employer identification number 13-5562161
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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 **section 170(b)(1)(A)(i).**
- 2

☐

A school described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii).** (Attach Schedule E)
- 3

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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

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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

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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

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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

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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 the supported organization?

(ii)

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

(iii)

a 35% controlled entity of a person described in (i) or (ii) above?
- h

☐

Provide the following information about the supported organization(s)

(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									

Part II

Support Schedule for Organizations Described in IRC 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.")	15,315,218	17,499,163	17,269,862	6,471,447	6,298,657	62,854,347
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	15,315,218	17,499,163	17,269,862	6,471,447	6,298,657	62,854,347
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)						4,514,811
6 Public Support. Subtract line 5 from line 4						58,339,536

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	15,315,218	1,916,980	17,269,862	6,471,447	6,298,657	62,854,347
8 Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources	913,226	1,916,980	2,573,171	1,484,795	1,037,432	7,925,604
9 Net income from unrelated business activities, whether or not the business is regularly carried on						
10 Other income (Explain in Part IV) Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets	491,507	443,464	664,240	177,644	327,332	2,104,187
11 Total support (Add lines 7 through 10)						72,884,138
12 Gross receipts from related activities, etc (See instructions)					12	20,626,178

13 First Five Years If the Form 990 is for the organization's first, second, third, fourth, or fifth tax year as a 501(c)(3) organization, check this box and stop here

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Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage

14 Public Support Percentage for 2009 (line 6 column (f) divided by line 11 column (f))	14	80.040 %
15 Public Support Percentage for 2008 Schedule A, Part II, line 14	15	

- 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 the 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 IIISupport Schedule for Organizations Described in IRC 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
1Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received (Do not include any "unusual grants.")						
2Gross receipts from admissions, merchandise sold or services performed, or facilities furnished in any activity that is related to the organization's tax-exempt purpose						
3Gross receipts from activities that are not an unrelated trade or business under section 513						
4Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf						
5The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge						
6Total. Add lines 1 through 5						
7aAmounts included on lines 1, 2, and 3 received from disqualified persons						
bAmounts 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						
cAdd lines 7a and 7b						
8Public Support (Subtract line 7c from line 6)						

Section B. Total Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in)	(a) 2005	(b) 2006	(c) 2007	(d) 2008	(e) 2009	(f) Total
9Amounts from line 6						
10aGross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources						
bUnrelated business taxable income (less section 511 taxes) from businesses acquired after June 30, 1975						
cAdd lines 10a and 10b						
11Net income from unrelated business activities not included in line 10b, whether or not the business is regularly carried on						
12Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part IV.)						
13Total support (Add lines 9, 10c, 11 and 12.)						
14First Five Years If the Form 990 is for the organization's first, second, third, fourth, or fifth tax year as a 501(c)(3) organization, check this box and stop here						

Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage

15Public Support Percentage for 2009 (line 8 column (f) divided by line 13 column (f))	15	
16Public support percentage from 2008 Schedule A, Part III, line 15	16	

Section D. Computation of Investment Income Percentage

17Investment income percentage for 2009 (line 10c column (f) divided by line 13 column (f))	17	
18Investment income percentage from 2008 Schedule A, Part III, line 17	18	
19a33 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		
b33 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		
20Private 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. Supplemental Information. Complete this part to provide the explanation required by Part II, line 10; Part II, line 17a or 17b; or Part III, line 12. Provide any other additional information. See instructions

Additional Data

Software ID:
Software Version:
EIN: 13-5562161
Name: AMERICAN FOUNDATION FOR THE BLIND INC

Form 990, Part III - 4 Program Service Accomplishments (See the Instructions)

4d. Other program services					
(Code	) (Expenses \$		including grants of \$	) (Revenue \$	
		768,567		35,591	
Public Education and Advocacy - AFB and the Perkins School for the Blind announced that they have joined forces to ensure that students with vision loss receive instruction in the Expanded Core Curriculum (ECC)- an extension of the general core curriculum that teaches children with visual impairments life skills. The curriculum includes everything from assistive technology and braille, to social skills, and independent living skills. AFB and Perkins will be undertaking an aggressive education effort to include the ECC in the reauthorization of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA), the law that guarantees services to children with disabilities throughout the country. IDEA is scheduled to be up for reauthorization in 2011. - AFB's public policy team played a lead role in formulating and promoting the 21st Century Communications and Video Accessibility Act, which was ultimately signed into law in October 2010 by President Obama. The new law requires that smart phones, television programs and other modern communications technologies be accessible to people with vision or hearing loss. AFB's public policy team led the way by influencing key provisions of the bill and working closely with lawmakers and other organizations in the disability community to advocate for its passage. - In May 2010, AFB began offering free access to the first public exhibit of Helen Keller's artifacts in a specially created gallery at AFB's New York City headquarters. Helen Keller: A Daring Adventure featured 75 items, which included 31 never-before-viewed artifacts, writings, photographs, and other prized possessions bestowed to AFB by Keller, who worked for the organization for 44 years. These items were culled from AFB's extensive Helen Keller Archives, which contains more than 80,000 items, and represents the first comprehensive exhibit of the deaf-blind pioneer. - On April 16, 2010, the AFB Center on Vision Loss hosted Designing with a Vision, a runway show featuring the collection of Sergey Ermakov, an award-winning designer from Ukraine. Ermakov lost 95 percent of his vision to diabetic retinopathy at age 11, went on to pursue his dream as a fashion designer, and is now one of Europe's most acclaimed names in haute couture. - AFB presented the 2010 Helen Keller Achievement Awards, honoring corporate achievement in improving the lives of people with disabilities, including those with vision loss, and personal achievement by a blind or visually impaired individual. HP, HSBC, Lions Clubs International Foundation, and Rachael Scdoris received the prestigious award at a black tie gala on June 7, 2010, at the Marriott New York Downtown. - On June 16, 2010 AFB unveiled its brand-new 6,000-square-foot office and optics lab in Huntington, West Virginia. The new office houses AFB TECH (AFB's nationally recognized technology division) and AFB CareerConnect, as well as other AFB support functions. Governor Joe Manchin III of West Virginia joined AFB staff and more than one hundred friends and supporters at the ribbon cutting ceremony.					

Form 990, Part VII - Compensation of Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, Highest Compensated Employees, and Independent Contractors

(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			
JACQUELINE BIRD TRUSTEE	1 00	X						0	0	0
JOHN T BOURGER TRUSTEE	1 00	X						0	0	0
CATHY BURNS TRUSTEE	1 00	X						0	0	0
CONCETTA F CONKLING CHAIRPERSON	2 00	X		X				0	0	0
DEBBIE DENNIS TRUSTEE	1 00	X						0	0	0
RAY R FIDLER TRUSTEE	1 00	X						0	0	0
JAMES R FISHER CPA TRUSTEE	1 00	X						0	0	0
MICHAEL N GILLIAM VICE CHAIRPERSON	1 00	X		X				0	0	0
PARVEEN JAIN PHD TRUSTEE	1 00	X						0	0	0
MARJORIE KAISER EDD TRUSTEE	1 00	X						0	0	0
SHAFIQ A KHAN TRUSTEE	1 00	X						0	0	0
WILLIAM MACGOWAN TRUSTEE	1 00	X						0	0	0
JAMES H MCLAUGHLIN TRUSTEE	1 00	X						0	0	0
CHRISTOPHER J MIGEL TRUSTEE	1 00	X						0	0	0
JANE PARKER TRUSTEE	1 00	X						0	0	0
ELAINE J POMMELLS SECRETARY	1 00	X		X				0	0	0
PATRICIA CARY SUELTZ TRUSTEE	1 00	X						0	0	0
JEFF THOM ESQUIRE TRUSTEE	1 00	X						0	0	0
PETER D TONKS TREASURER	1 50	X		X				0	0	0
PEARL VAN ZANDT PHD TRUSTEE	1 00	X						0	0	0
CYNTHIA WATSON TRUSTEE	1 00	X						0	0	0
WILLIAM R WIENER PHD TRUSTEE	1 00	X						0	0	0
THOMAS WLODKOWSKI TRUSTEE	1 00	X						0	0	0
CARL AUGUSTO PRESIDENT/CEO	45 00			X				282,000	0	43,560
WALTER DECKER ASSISTANT TREASURER	45 00			X				190,144	0	25,234

Form 990, Part VII - Compensation of Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, Highest Compensated Employees, and Independent Contractors

(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			
EVELYN MENDEZ VP FINANCE	45 00			X				146,618	0	11,950
SONYA SHIFLET DIRECTOR - HR, Asst Sec	45 00			X				110,754	0	11,918
LORRAINE ZAMORA VP RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT	45 00				X			158,569	0	31,293
MAUREEN MATHESON VP AFB PRESS	45 00				X			156,120	0	30,760
PAUL SCHROEDER VP PROGRAMS	45 00				X			166,861	0	23,779
KELLY PARISI VP COMMUNICATIONS	45 00					X		128,288	0	11,033
LOUIS GUTIERREZ DIRECTOR - TB PRODUCTION	45 00					X		124,541	0	25,068
KELLY BLEACH DIRECTOR - IT	45 00					X		112,201	0	5,610
CHRISTA EARL DIRECTOR - WEB OPERATION	45 00					X		110,368	0	5,633
JUDY SCOTT DIRECTOR - CENTER ON VIS	45 00					X		109,351	0	11,152

SCHEDULE C

(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Political Campaign and Lobbying Activities

For Organizations Exempt From Income Tax Under section 501(c) and section 527

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

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If the organization answered “Yes,” to Form 990, Part IV, Line 3, or Form 990-EZ, Part VI, line 46 (Political Campaign Activities), then

- Section 501(c)(3) organizations Complete Parts I-A and B Do not complete Part I-C
- Section 501(c) (other than section 501(c)(3)) organizations Complete Parts I-A and C below Do not complete Part I-B
- Section 527 organizations Complete Part I-A only

If the organization answered “Yes,” to Form 990, Part IV, Line 4, or Form 990-EZ, Part VI, line 47 (Lobbying Activities), then

- Section 501(c)(3) organizations that have filed Form 5768 (election under section 501(h)) Complete Part II-A Do not complete Part II-B
- Section 501(c)(3) organizations that have NOT filed Form 5768 (election under section 501(h)) Complete Part II-B Do not complete Part II-A

If the organization answered “Yes,” to Form 990, Part IV, Line 5 (Proxy Tax) or Form 990-EZ, line 35a (regarding proxy tax), then

- Section 501(c)(4), (5), or (6) organizations Complete Part III

Name of the organization AMERICAN FOUNDATION FOR THE BLIND INC	Employer identification number 13-5562161
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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
- 4a

Was a correction made?

☐ Yes ☐ No
- b

If "Yes," describe in Part IV

Part I-C Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c) except section 501(c)(3).

- 1

Enter the amount directly expended by the filing organization for section 527 exempt function activities ▶ \$
- 2

Enter the amount of the filing organization's funds contributed to other organizations for section 527 exempt funtion 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

State 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-

Part II-A

Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(3) and filed Form 5768 (election under section 501(h)).

A

Check

☐

if the filing organization belongs to an affiliated group

B

Check

☐

if the filing organization checked box A and "limited control" provisions apply

Limits on Lobbying Expenditures (The term "expenditures" means amounts paid or incurred.)		(a) Filing Organization's Totals	(b) Affiliated Group Totals												
1a Total lobbying expenditures to influence public opinion (grass roots lobbying)		2,980													
b Total lobbying expenditures to influence a legislative body (direct lobbying)		46,238													
c Total lobbying expenditures (add lines 1a and 1b)		49,218													
d Other exempt purpose expenditures		12,931,070													
e Total exempt purpose expenditures (add lines 1c and 1d)		12,980,288													
f Lobbying nontaxable amount Enter the amount from the following table in both columns		799,014													
<table><tr><td>If the amount on line 1e, column (a) or (b) is:</td><td>The lobbying nontaxable amount is:</td></tr><tr><td>Not over \$500,000</td><td>20% of the amount on line 1e</td></tr><tr><td>Over \$500,000 but not over \$1,000,000</td><td>\$100,000 plus 15% of the excess over \$500,000</td></tr><tr><td>Over \$1,000,000 but not over \$1,500,000</td><td>\$175,000 plus 10% of the excess over \$1,000,000</td></tr><tr><td>Over \$1,500,000 but not over \$17,000,000</td><td>\$225,000 plus 5% of the excess over \$1,500,000</td></tr><tr><td>Over \$17,000,000</td><td>\$1,000,000</td></tr></table>		If the amount on line 1e, column (a) or (b) is:	The lobbying nontaxable amount is:	Not over \$500,000	20% of the amount on line 1e	Over \$500,000 but not over \$1,000,000	\$100,000 plus 15% of the excess over \$500,000	Over \$1,000,000 but not over \$1,500,000	\$175,000 plus 10% of the excess over \$1,000,000	Over \$1,500,000 but not over \$17,000,000	\$225,000 plus 5% of the excess over \$1,500,000	Over \$17,000,000	\$1,000,000		
If the amount on line 1e, column (a) or (b) is:	The lobbying nontaxable amount is:														
Not over \$500,000	20% of the amount on line 1e														
Over \$500,000 but not over \$1,000,000	\$100,000 plus 15% of the excess over \$500,000														
Over \$1,000,000 but not over \$1,500,000	\$175,000 plus 10% of the excess over \$1,000,000														
Over \$1,500,000 but not over \$17,000,000	\$225,000 plus 5% of the excess over \$1,500,000														
Over \$17,000,000	\$1,000,000														
g Grassroots nontaxable amount (enter 25% of line 1f)		199,754													
h Subtract line 1g from line 1a If zero or less, enter -0-		0													
i Subtract line 1f from line 1c If zero or less, enter -0-		0													
j If there is an amount other than zero on either line 1h or line 1i, did the organization file Form 4720 reporting section 4911 tax for this year?		☐ Yes ☐ No													

4-Year Averaging Period Under Section 501(h)
(Some organizations that made a section 501(h) election do not have to complete all of the five columns below. See the instructions for lines 2a through 2f on page 4.)

Lobbying Expenditures During 4-Year Averaging Period					
Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in)	(a) 2006	(b) 2007	(c) 2008	(d) 2009	(e) Total
2a Lobbying non-taxable amount	1,000,000	942,430	1,000,000	799,014	3,741,444
b Lobbying ceiling amount (150% of line 2a, column(e))					5,612,166
c Total lobbying expenditures	150,760	112,654	48,388	49,218	361,020
d Grassroots non-taxable amount	250,000	235,608	250,000	199,754	935,362
e Grassroots ceiling amount (150% of line 2d, column (e))					1,403,043
f Grassroots lobbying expenditures	3,457	3,570	2,069	2,980	12,076

Part II-B

Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(3) and has NOT filed Form 5768 (election under section 501(h)).

		(a)		(b)
		Yes	No	Amount
1	During the year, did the filing organization attempt to influence foreign, national, state or local legislation, including any attempt to influence public opinion on a legislative matter or referendum, through the use of			
	a Volunteers?			
	b Paid staff or management (include compensation in expenses reported on lines 1c through 1i)?			
	c Media advertisements?			
	d Mailings to members, legislators, or the public?			
	e Publications, or published or broadcast statements?			
	f Grants to other organizations for lobbying purposes?			
	g Direct contact with legislators, their staffs, government officials, or a legislative body?			
	h Rallies, demonstrations, seminars, conventions, speeches, lectures, or any similar means?			
	i Other activities? If "Yes," describe in Part IV			
	j Total lines 1c through 1i			
2a	Did the activities in line 1 cause the organization to be not described in section 501(c)(3)?			
b	If "Yes," enter the amount of any tax incurred under section 4912			
c	If "Yes," enter the amount of any tax incurred by organization managers under section 4912			
d	If the filing organization incurred a section 4912 tax, did it file Form 4720 for this year?			

Part III-A

Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(4), section 501(c)(5), or section 501(c)(6).

		Yes	No
1	Were substantially all (90% or more) dues received nondeductible by members?		
2	Did the organization make only in-house lobbying expenditures of \$2,000 or less?		
3	Did the organization agree to carryover lobbying and political expenditures from the prior year?		

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) non-deductible lobbying and political expenditures (do not include amounts of political expenses for which the section 527(f) tax was paid).		
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 1.
Also, complete this part for any additional information.

Identifier	Return Reference	Explanation

SCHEDULE D
(Form 990)

Supplemental Financial Statements

▶ Complete if the organization answered "Yes," to Form 990, Part IV, line 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, or 12.
▶ Attach to Form 990. ▶ See separate instructions.

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Name of the organization
AMERICAN FOUNDATION FOR THE BLIND INC

Employer identification number
13-5562161

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

1

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

☐ Preservation of land for public use (e g , recreation or pleasure)

☐ Preservation of an historically importantly land area

☐ Protection of natural habitat

☐ Preservation of a certified historic structure

☐ Preservation of open space

2

Complete lines 2a–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
2a	Total number of conservation easements
2b	Total acreage restricted by conservation easements
2c	Number of conservation easements on a certified historic structure included in (a)
2d	Number of conservation easements included in (c) acquired after 8/17/06

3

Number of conservation easements modified, transferred, released, extinguished, or terminated by the organization during the taxable year ▶ _____

4

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

5

Does the organization have a written policy regarding the periodic monitoring, inspection, handling of violations, and enforcement of the conservation easements it holds?

☐ 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 ▶ \$ _____

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Schedule D (Form 990) 2009

Part III

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

3

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

a

☐ Public exhibition

b

☐ Scholarly research

c

☐ Preservation for future generations

d

☐ Loan or exchange programs

e

☐ Other

4

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

5

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

☐ Yes☒ No

Part IV

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

1a

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

☐ Yes☐ No

b

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

c

Beginning balance

d

Additions during the year

e

Distributions during the year

f

Ending balance

	Amount
1c	
1d	
1e	
1f	

2a

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

☐ Yes☐ No

b

If "Yes," explain the arrangement in Part XIV

Part V

Endowment Funds. Complete if the 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	4,129,000	4,002,000		
b	Contributions	304,000	497,000		
c	Investment earnings or losses	310,000	-256,000		
d	Grants or scholarships				
e	Other expenditures for facilities and programs	258,000	114,000		
f	Administrative expenses				
g	End of year balance	4,485,000	4,129,000		

2

Provide the estimated percentage of the year end balance held as

a

Board designated or quasi-endowment ▶ 15 140 % %

b

Permanent endowment ▶ 84 860 % %

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

3a(i)

☐ Yes☐ No

(ii)

related organizations

3a(ii)

☐ Yes☐ No

b

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

3b

☐ Yes☐ No

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		1,088,250	184,114	904,136
c Leasehold improvements		506,824	12,993	493,831
d Equipment		3,303,032	2,648,662	654,370
e Other				
Total. Add lines 1a-1e (Column (d) should equal Form 990, Part X, column (B), line 10(c).)				2,052,337

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
2	Total expenses (Form 990, Part IX, column (A), line 25)	2
3	Excess or (deficit) for the year Subtract line 2 from line 1	3
4	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	4
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 - 8	9
10	Excess or (deficit) for the year per financial statements Combine lines 3 and 9	10

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
2	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12	
a	Net unrealized gains on investments2a	
b	Donated services and use of facilities2b	
c	Recoveries of prior year grants2c	
d	Other (Describe in Part XIV)2d	
e	Add lines 2a through 2d2e	
3	Subtract line 2e from line 13	
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 7b4a	
b	Other (Describe in Part XIV)4b	
c	Add lines 4a and 4b4c	
5	Total Revenue Add lines 3 and 4c. (This should equal Form 990, Part I, line 12)5	

Part XIII Reconciliation of Expenses per Audited Financial Statements With Expenses per Return		
1	Total expenses and losses per audited financial statements	1
2	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part IX, line 25	
a	Donated services and use of facilities2a	
b	Prior year adjustments2b	
c	Other losses2c	
d	Other (Describe in Part XIV)2d	
e	Add lines 2a through 2d2e	
3	Subtract line 2e from line 13	
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 7b4a	
b	Other (Describe in Part XIV)4b	
c	Add lines 4a and 4b4c	
5	Total expenses Add lines 3 and 4c. (This should equal Form 990, Part I, line 18)5	

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, 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

Identifier	Return Reference	Explanation
Part III, Line 1a		COLLECTION ITEMS, ACQUIRED THROUGH CONTRIBUTIONS FROM THE ESTATE OF HELEN KELLER, CONSISTING OF MEMORABILIA AND PERSONAL WRITINGS, ARE NOT CAPITALIZED ON THE CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION
Part V, Line 4	Description of Intended Use of Endowment Funds	The intended use of the earnings from endowment funds is to carry out AFB's mission of "Expanding possibilities for people with vision loss" within the restrictions placed on AFB by the donor of each endowment

SCHEDULE G
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Supplemental Information Regarding
Fundraising or Gaming Activities

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

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AMERICAN FOUNDATION FOR THE BLIND INC

Employer identification number
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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

e ☒ Solicitation of non-government grants

b ☒ Internet and e-mail solicitations

f ☒ Solicitation of government grants

c ☒ Phone solicitations

g ☒ Special fundraising events

d ☒ In-person solicitations
- 2a 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 activities? ☒ Yes ☐ No
- 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. Form 990-EZ filers are not required to complete this table.

(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			
AB DATA INC	DIRECT MAIL		No	1,151,000	144,000	1,007,000
DVA NAVION INC	CAPITAL CAMPAIGN		No	144,000	60,000	84,000
Total ▶				1,295,000	204,000	1,091,000

- 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.
- AK,AL,AR,AZ,CA,CT,DC,FL,GA,IA,ID,IL,IN,KS,KY,MA,MD,ME,MI,MN,MT,MS,NC,ND,NH,NJ,NM,NY,OH,OK,OR,PA,RI,SC,TN,UT,VA,WA,WI,WV

Part II Fundraising Events.

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

Revenue			(a) Event #1	(b) Event #2	(c) Other Events	(d) Total Events
			HKAA	DESIGNING WITH A		(Add col (a) through
			(event type)	VISION	(total number)	col (c))
				(event type)		
1	Gross receipts	. . .	207,000	144,340		351,340
2	Less Charitable contributions	. . .	9,370			9,370
3	Gross income (line 1 minus line 2)	. . .	197,630	144,340		341,970
Direct Expenses	4	Cash prizes	. . .			
	5	Non-cash prizes	. . .			
	6	Rent/facility costs	. .	73,038		73,038
	7	Food and beverages	. . .	41,590		59,372
	8	Entertainment	. . .	500		3,600
	9	Other direct expenses	.	26,880		59,530
	10	Direct expense summary Add lines 4 through 9 in column (d)				195,540
	11	Net income summary Combine lines 3, column d, and line 10.				146,430

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					
Direct Expenses	2	Cash prizes				
	3	Non-cash prizes				
	4	Rent/facility costs				
	5	Other direct expenses				
	6	Volunteer labor		☐ Yes _____ % ☐ No	☐ Yes _____ % ☐ No	☐ Yes _____ % ☐ No
	7	Direct expense summary Add lines 2 through 5 in column (d)				
	8	Net gaming income summary Combine lines 1, column d, and line 7				

			Yes	No
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?	9a		
b	If "No," Explain _____			

10a	Were any of the organization's gaming licenses revoked, suspended or terminated during the tax year?	10a		
b	If "Yes," Explain _____			

11	Does the organization operate gaming activities with nonmembers?	11		
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?	12		

		Yes	No
13	Indicate the percentage of gaming activity operated in		
a	The organization's facility 13a		
b	An outside facility 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	
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		
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 distributed to other exempt organizations or spent in the organization's own exempt activities during the tax year ► \$		

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," to 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?

☒ Yes ☐ No
- 2

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

Part III

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 ▶ ☐

(a) Name and address of organization or government	(b) EIN	(c) IRC Code 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
NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR PARENTS OF VISUALLY IMPAIRED CHILDRENPO BOX 317 WATERTOWN,MA 02471	582581495	N/A	40,000				TO HELP FUND THEIR WORK OF PROVIDING WORKSHOPS, MESSAGE BOARDS, AND MARKET OUTREACH

2

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

▶

3

Enter total number of other organizations

▶

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

(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
SCHOLARSHIPS	11	19,000			
See Additional Data Table					

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

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Schedule J
(Form 990)

Compensation Information

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

▶ Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, question 23.

▶ Attach to Form 990. ▶ See separate instructions.

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Questions Regarding Compensation

		Yes	No
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. ☐ First-class or charter travel ☐ Travel for companions ☐ Tax idemnification and gross-up payments ☐ Discretionary spending account ☐ Housing allowance or residence for personal use ☐ Payments for business use of personal residence ☐ Health or social club dues or initiation fees ☐ Personal services (e g , maid, chauffeur, chef)		
1b	If any of the boxes in line 1a are checked, did the organization follow a written policy regarding payment or reimbursement or provision of all 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. ☒ Compensation committee ☐ Independent compensation consultant ☐ Form 990 of other organizations ☐ Written employment contract ☒ Compensation survey or study ☒ 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:		
4a	Receive a severance payment or change-of-control payment?	Yes	
4b	Participate in, or receive payment from, a supplemental nonqualified retirement plan?		No
4c	Participate in, or receive payment from, an equity-based compensation arrangement?		No
	If "Yes" to any of lines 4a-c, list the persons and provide the applicable amounts for each item in Part III		
	Only 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations only 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:		
5a	The organization?		No
5b	Any related organization?		No
	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:		
6a	The organization?		No
6b	Any related organization?		No
	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		No
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		No
9	If "Yes" to line 8, did the organization also follow the rebuttable presumption procedure described in Regulations section 53.4958-6(c)?		

Part II **Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees.** Use Schedule J-1 if additional space needed.

For each individual whose compensation must be reported in Schedule J, report compensation from the organization on row (i) and from related organizations, described in the instructions on row (ii) Do not list any individuals that are not listed on Form 990, Part VII

Note. The sum of columns (B)(i)-(iii) must equal the applicable column (D) or column (E) amounts on Form 990, Part VII, line 1a

(A) Name		(B) Breakdown of W-2 and/or 1099-MISC compensation			(C) Retirement and other deferred compensation	(D) Nontaxable benefits	(E) Total of columns (B)(i)-(D)	(F) Compensation reported in prior Form 990 or Form 990-EZ
		(i) Base compensation	(ii) Bonus & incentive compensation	(iii) Other reportable compensation				
CARL AUGUSTO	(i)	282,000	0	0	28,200	15,360	325,560	335,279
	(ii)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
WALTER DECKER	(i)	190,144	0	0	19,014	6,220	215,378	221,641
	(ii)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
EVELYN MENDEZ	(i)	146,618	0	0	7,331	4,619	158,568	164,774
	(ii)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
LORRAINE ZAMORA	(i)	158,569	0	0	15,857	15,436	189,862	192,774
	(ii)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
MAUREEN MATHESON	(i)	156,120	0	0	15,612	15,148	186,880	195,337
	(ii)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
PAUL SCHROEDER	(i)	166,861	0	0	8,343	15,436	190,640	194,173
	(ii)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Part III

Supplemental Information

Complete this part to provide the information, explanation, or descriptions required for Part I, lines 1a, 1b, 4c, 5a, 5b, 6a, 6b, 7, and 8. Also complete this part for any additional information.

Identifier	Return Reference	Explanation
	Part I, Line 4a	Evelyn Mendez \$21,868 Kelly Parisi \$16,244 Louis Gutierrez \$39,855

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.
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Identifier	Return Reference	Explanation
Form 990, Part III, line 3	Changes in Program Services	In February 2008, the Foundation's Board of Trustees authorized the discontinuation of the Talking Book operation at the end of the NY headquarters lease in October 2009, primarily due to financial considerations, including decreasing net margins and the potential investment that would be required to continue the operation in a new location, subject to any significant changes in circumstances that might occur prior to the lease expiration. The Board authorized management to begin exploring alternative approaches and possible timelines for the discontinuation of the operations and disposal of the related assets. After exploring various alternatives and providing progress reports to the Board in 2008 and 2009, the Talking Book labeling operation was shut down in August 2009 and the equipment was sold to a subcontractor. The studio recording operation was shut down in October 2009 and the remaining equipment was sold at auction. Following the shutdown of the Talking Book studio recording and labeling operations, the Foundation remained responsible for duplication of recordings produced under contract with the Library of Congress, which was accomplished through the use of subcontractor arrangements. All work required under contract with the Library of Congress was completed in May 2010.
Form 990, Part VI, Section B, line 11		A DRAFT OF FORM 990 IS PROVIDED TO THE AUDIT COMMITTEE, AND ANY OTHER BOARD MEMBER THAT WISHES TO VIEW IT. ALL SUGGESTED CORRECTIONS/REVISIONS ARE MADE TO THE FORM AND A FINAL VERSION IS MADE AVAILABLE TO AFOREMENTIONED GROUP. ALL AGREE THE FORM IS READY TO FILE, THE CPA FIRM FILING ON BEHALF OF AFB DELIVERS A SIGNATURE READY FORM FOR AFB'S CEO, WHICH IS SIGNED AND FILED.
Form 990, Part VI, Section B, line 12c		THE CONFLICT OF INTEREST DISCLOSURE FORMS ARE COMPLETED ON AN ANNUAL BASIS AS PART OF A PROCESS OVERSEEN BY THE AUDIT COMMITTEE.
Form 990, Part VI, Section B, line 15		THE LEADERSHIP AND COMPENSATION BOARD OF TRUSTEES ANNUALLY REVIEWS THE COMPENSATION OF THE PRESIDENT/CEO AND VICE PRESIDENTS' COMPENSATION SURVEY DATA IS REVIEWED AS PART OF THE COMMITTEE'S DELIBERATION AND DISCUSSION.
Form 990, Part VI, Section C, line 19		FINANCIAL STATEMENTS ARE MADE AVAILABLE THROUGH THE PUBLISHED ANNUAL REPORT AND THROUGH THE WEBSITE.
FORM 990, PART XI, QUESTION 2C		AFB PREPARES CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS. AUDIT COMMITTEE ASSUMES THE RESPONSIBILITY FOR OVERSIGHT OF THE AUDIT OF AFB'S CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND SELECTION OF AN INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANT.

Related Organizations and Unrelated Partnerships

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Internal Revenue Service

▶ **Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 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" on Form 990, Part IV, line 33.)

(a)
Name, address, and EIN of disregarded entity

(b)
Primary activity

(c)
Legal domicile (state
or foreign country)

(d)
Total income

(e)
End-of-year assets

(f)
Direct controlling
entity

Part II

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

(a)
Name, address, and EIN of related organization

(b)
Primary activity

(c)
Legal domicile (state
or foreign country)

(d)
Exempt Code section

(e)
Public charity status
(if section 501(c)(3))

(f)
Direct controlling
entity

AFB SPECIAL FUND

2 PENN PLAZA SUITE 1102

VISUAL SUPPORT

NY

501(c)(3)

Line 11a, I N/A

NEW YORK, NY 10121
13-3532760

Part III

Identification of Related Organizations Taxable as a Partnership (Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on 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) Disproportionate 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" on 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
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Part V

Transactions With Related Organizations (Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 34, 35, or 36.)

Note. Complete line 1 if any entity is listed in Parts II, III or IV		Yes	No
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	1a		No
b Gift, grant, or capital contribution to other organization(s)	1b		No
c Gift, grant, or capital contribution from other organization(s)	1c	Yes	
d Loans or loan guarantees to or for other organization(s)	1d		No
e Loans or loan guarantees by other organization(s)	1e		No
f Sale of assets to other organization(s)	1f		No
g Purchase of assets from other organization(s)	1g		No
h Exchange of assets	1h		No
i Lease of facilities, equipment, or other assets to other organization(s)	1i		No
j Lease of facilities, equipment, or other assets from other organization(s)	1j		No
k Performance of services or membership or fundraising solicitations for other organization(s)	1k		No
l Performance of services or membership or fundraising solicitations by other organization(s)	1l		No
m Sharing of facilities, equipment, mailing lists, or other assets	1m		No
n Sharing of paid employees	1n		No
o Reimbursement paid to other organization for expenses	1o		No
p Reimbursement paid by other organization for expenses	1p		No
q Other transfer of cash or property to other organization(s)	1q		No
r Other transfer of cash or property from other organization(s)	1r		No

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)	AFB SPECIAL FUND INC	C	1,997,884
(1)	See Additional Data Table		
(2)			
(3)			
(4)			
(5)			
(6)			

Part VI **Unrelated Organizations Taxable as a Partnership** (Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 37.)

Provide the following information for each entity taxed as a partnership through which the organization conducted more than five percent of its activities (measured by total assets or gross revenue) that was not a related organization. See instructions regarding exclusion for certain investment partnerships.

(a) Name, address, and EIN of entity	(b) Primary activity	(c) Legal domicile (state or foreign country)	(d) Are all partners section 501(c)(3) organizations?		(e) Share of end-of-year assets	(f) Disproportionate allocations?		(g) Code V—UBI amount in box 20 of Schedule K-1 (Form 1065)	(h) General or managing partner?	
			Yes	No		Yes	No		Yes	No