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Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

OMB No 1545-0047

2009**Open to Public Inspection**Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

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

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

A For the 2009 calendar year, or tax year beginning July 1, 2009, and ending June 30, 2010**B** Check if applicable:

- ☐ Address change
☐ Name change
☐ Initial return
☐ Terminated
☐ Amended return
☐ Application pending

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C Name of organization **Region A Partnership for Children**

Doing Business As

Number and street (or P.O. box if mail is not delivered to street address)

116 Jackson Street

Room/suite

City or town, state or country, and ZIP + 4

Sylva, NC 28779**D Employer identification number****56 1869575****E Telephone number****(828) 586-0661****G Gross receipts \$ 4,806,023****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.regionakids.org****K** Form of organization ☒ Corporation ☐ Trust ☐ Association ☐ Other ▶**L** Year of formation **1994** **M** State of legal domicile **NC****Part I Summary**

1 Briefly describe the organization's mission or most significant activities: **The Region A Partnership for Children serves as the western North Carolina administrative agency for the State's More at Four and Smart Start initiatives. In this role the Partnership funds service providers and in-house programs using a family-centered approach that focuses on the whole child by addressing health, early learning, parent education and community support needs.**

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 32****4** Number of independent voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1b)**4****5** Total number of employees (Part V, line 2a)**5 12****6** Total number of volunteers (estimate if necessary)**6 76****7a** Total gross unrelated business revenue from Part VIII, column (C), line 12**7a 3,909****b** Net unrelated business taxable income from Form 990-T, line 34**7b 0**

	Prior Year	Current Year
8 Contributions and grants (Part VIII, line 1h)	4,943,107	4,791,363
9 Program service revenue (Part VIII, line 2g)		173
10 Investment income (Part VIII, column (A), lines 3, 4, and 7d)	9,945	2,048
11 Other revenue (Part VIII, column (A), lines 5, 6d, 8c, 9c, 10c, and 11e)	6,806	8,423
12 Total revenue—add lines 8 through 11 (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	4,959,858	4,802,007
13 Grants and similar amounts paid (Part IX, column (A), lines 1–3)	4,067,446	3,743,726
14 Benefits paid to or for members (Part IX, column (A), line 4)		
15 Salaries, other compensation, employee benefits (Part IX, column (A), lines 5–10)	687,000	744,636
16a Professional fundraising fees (Part IX, column (A), line 11e)		
b Total fundraising expenses (Part IX, column (D), line 25) ▶ 89,461		
17 Other expenses (Part IX, column (A), lines 11a–11d, 11f–24f)	235,108	212,544
18 Total expenses. Add lines 13–17 (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	4,989,554	4,700,906
19 Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 18 from line 12	(29,696)	101,101
20 Total assets (Part X, line 16)	440,298	555,373
21 Total liabilities (Part X, line 26)	17,028	31,003
22 Net assets or fund balances. Subtract line 21 from line 20	423,270	524,370

Part II Signature Block

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined this return, including accompanying schedules and statements, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete. Declaration of preparer (other than officer) is based on all information of which preparer has any knowledge.

Sign Here

Signature of officer

Date

Kelly D. Vreeland, Fiscal Officer

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

EIN ▶

Phone no ▶ ()

May the IRS discuss this return with the preparer shown above? (see instructions) ☐ Yes ☐ No

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Form **990** (2009)

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Part III Statement of Program Service Accomplishments

- 1** Briefly describe the organization's mission:
To improve the quality of life for young children and families in western North Carolina by encouraging advocacy and collaboration and funding services that focus on prevention and early intervention.
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- 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 \$ 2,980,221 including grants of \$ 2,904,408) (Revenue \$ 1,469)
More at Four.

More at Four is a high quality pre-kindergarten statewide initiative that provides educational programs for at-risk four year old children. Risk factors are determined by the state and include household income, health issues, developmental delays, prior high quality care, English language proficiency, and the parent's employment status. From July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2010 more than 640 children were served in over 50 More at Four classrooms within the seven counties and the Qualla Boundry of Region A.

4b (Code: _____) (Expenses \$ 436,931 including grants of \$ 370,121) (Revenue \$ 60)
Health and Safety.

This category includes health related services for children provided directly by the grantor or through early education and childcare centers. It also includes training and support provided to child care providers on health and safety issues, outreach to parents of newborn children, health screenings, preventive dental care, support to parents of children with special needs, and intensive individualized services for children with autism.

4c (Code: _____) (Expenses \$ 425,540 including grants of \$ 367,089) (Revenue \$ 0)
Family Support Services.

This category includes the support of individual family resource centers, parent education programs, regional literacy programs such as Raising A Reader and Reading Rover, and early intervention services.

4d Other program services. (Describe in Schedule O.)
 (Expenses \$ 434,005 including grants of \$ 102,108) (Revenue \$ _____)

4e Total program service expenses **▶** 4,276,697

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 ✓	
2 Is the organization required to complete Schedule B, Schedule of Contributors?	2 ✓	
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	✓
4 Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Did the organization engage in lobbying activities? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part II	4 ✓	
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	✓
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	✓
8 Did the organization maintain collections of works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part III	8	✓
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	✓
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 ✓	
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 ✓	
• 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	✓
12A Was the organization included in consolidated, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? If "Yes," completing Schedule D, Parts XI, XII, and XIII is optional.	12A Yes No ✓	
13 Is the organization a school described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? If "Yes," complete Schedule E	13	✓
14a Did the organization maintain an office, employees, or agents outside of the United States?	14a	✓
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	✓
15 Did the organization report on Part IX, column (A), line 3, more than \$5,000 of grants or assistance to any organization or entity located outside the United States? If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Part II.	15	✓
16 Did the organization report on Part IX, column (A), line 3, more than \$5,000 of aggregate grants or assistance to individuals located outside the United States? If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Part III	16	✓
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	✓
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	✓
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	✓
20 Did the organization operate one or more hospitals? If "Yes," complete Schedule H	20	✓

Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules (continued)

	Yes	No
21 Did the organization report more than \$5,000 of grants and other assistance to governments and organizations in the United States on Part IX, column (A), line 1? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and II.</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
23 Did the organization answer "Yes" to Part VII, Section A, line 3, 4, or 5 about compensation of the organization's current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, and highest compensated employees? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J.</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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 lines 24b through 24d and complete Schedule K. If "No," go to line 25.</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
24b Did the organization invest any proceeds of tax-exempt bonds beyond a temporary period exception?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
24c Did the organization maintain an escrow account other than a refunding escrow at any time during the year to defease any tax-exempt bonds?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
24d Did the organization act as an "on behalf of" issuer for bonds outstanding at any time during the year?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
25b Is the organization aware that it engaged in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person in a prior year, and that the transaction has not been reported on any of the organization's prior Forms 990 or 990-EZ? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I.</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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):	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
a A current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV.</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
b A family member of a current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV.</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
c An entity of which a current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee of the organization (or a family member) was an officer, director, trustee, or direct or indirect owner? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV.</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
29 Did the organization receive more than \$25,000 in non-cash contributions? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule M.</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
31 Did the organization liquidate, terminate, or dissolve and cease operations? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part I.</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Part V Statements Regarding Other IRS Filings and Tax Compliance

	Yes	No
1a Enter the number reported in Box 3 of Form 1096, Annual Summary and Transmittal of U.S. Information Returns. Enter -0- if not applicable	1a 9	
b Enter the number of Forms W-2G included in line 1a. Enter -0- if not applicable	1b 0	
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, Transmittal of Wage and Tax Statements, filed for the calendar year ending with or within the year covered by this return	2a 12	
b If at least one is reported on line 2a, did the organization file all required federal employment tax returns? Note. If the sum of lines 1a and 2a is greater than 250, you may be required to e-file this return. (see instructions)	2b ✓	
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 If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country: ▶ See the instructions for exceptions and filing requirements for Form TD F 90-22.1, Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts.		
5a Was the organization a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction at any time during the tax year?	5a	✓
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 If "Yes," did the organization include with every solicitation an express statement that such contributions or gifts were not tax deductible?	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 line 8a, 8b, or 10b below, describe the circumstances, processes, or changes in Schedule O. See instructions.

Section A. Governing Body and Management

	Yes	No
1a Enter the number of voting members of the governing body	1a	32
b Enter the number of voting members that are independent	1b	32
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	✓
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	✓
4 Did the organization make any significant changes to its organizational documents since the prior Form 990 was filed?	4	✓
5 Did the organization become aware during the year of a material diversion of the organization's assets?	5	✓
6 Does the organization have members or stockholders?	6	✓
7a Does the organization have members, stockholders, or other persons who may elect one or more members of the governing body?	7a	✓
b Are any decisions of the governing body subject to approval by members, stockholders, or other persons?	7b	✓
8 Did the organization contemporaneously document the meetings held or written actions undertaken during the year by the following:		
a The governing body?	8a	✓
b Each committee with authority to act on behalf of the governing body?	8b	✓
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	9a	✓

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	✓
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	✓
11A Describe in Schedule O the process, if any, used by the organization to review this Form 990.		
12a Does the organization have a written conflict of interest policy? If "No," go to line 13	12a	✓
b Are officers, directors or trustees, and key employees required to disclose annually interests that could give rise to conflicts?	12b	✓
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	✓
13 Does the organization have a written whistleblower policy?	13	✓
14 Does the organization have a written document retention and destruction policy?	14	✓
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	✓
b Other officers or key employees of the organization	15b	✓
If "Yes" to line 15a or 15b, describe the process in Schedule O. (See instructions.)		
16a Did the organization invest in, contribute assets to, or participate in a joint venture or similar arrangement with a taxable entity during the year?	16a	✓
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 ► N/A
- 18** Section 6104 requires an organization to make its Forms 1023 (or 1024 if applicable), 990, and 990-T (501(c)(3)s only) available for public inspection. Indicate how you make these available. Check all that apply.
☐ Own website ☒ Another's website ☒ Upon request
- 19** Describe in Schedule O whether (and if so, how), the organization makes its governing documents, conflict of interest policy, and financial statements available to the public.
- 20** State the name, physical address, and telephone number of the person who possesses the books and records of the organization: ► Fiscal Officer, 116 Jackson Street, Sylva, NC 28779, 828-586-0661

Part VII Compensation of Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, Highest Compensated Employees, and Independent Contractors
Section A. Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees

1a Complete this table for all persons required to be listed. Report compensation for the calendar year ending with or within the organization's tax year. Use Schedule J-2 if additional space is needed.

- List all of the organization's **current** officers, directors, trustees (whether individuals or organizations), regardless of amount of compensation. Enter -0- in columns (D), (E), and (F) if no compensation was paid.

- List all of the organization's **current** key employees. See instructions for definition of "key employee."

- List the organization's five **current** highest compensated employees (other than an officer, director, trustee, or key employee) who received reportable compensation (Box 5 of Form W-2 and/or Box 7 of Form 1099-MISC) of more than \$100,000 from the organization and any related organizations.

- List all of the organization's **former** officers, key employees, and highest compensated employees who received more than \$100,000 of reportable compensation from the organization and any related organizations.

- List all of the organization's **former directors or trustees** that received, in the capacity as a former director or trustee of the organization, more than \$10,000 of reportable compensation from the organization and any related organizations

List persons in the following order: individual trustees or directors; institutional trustees; officers; key employees; highest compensated employees; and former such persons.

☒ Check this box if the organization did not compensate any current officer, director, or trustee.

(A) Name and Title	(B) Average hours per week	(C) Position (check all that apply)						(D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W-2/1099-MISC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W-2/1099-MISC)	(F) Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations
		Individual trustee or director	Institutional trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former			
Juanita Wilson Board Chair		✓		✓						
Bill Gibson Board Vice Chair		✓		✓						
Chris Crayton Board Secretary and Treasurer		✓		✓						
Pam Ashe Director		✓								
David Badger Director		✓								
Ronnie Beale Director		✓								
Angie Bristol Director		✓								
Paula Carden Director		✓								
Pattie Curtis Director		✓								
Sharon Davis Director		✓								
Patsy Dowling Director		✓								
Kathy Dugan Director		✓								
Carol Grise Director		✓								
Cecil Groves Director		✓								
Larry Hinton Director		✓								
Debra Hipps Director		✓								

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

(A) Name and title	(B) Average hours per week	(C) Position (check all that apply)						(D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W-2/1099-MISC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W-2/1099-MISC)	(F) Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations
		Individual trustee or director	Institutional trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former			
Shelia Hoyle Director		✓								
Brian Ingram Director		✓								
Robin Kevlin Director		✓								
Jane Kimsey Director		✓								
Sue Lelievre Director		✓								
Teresa Mallone Director		✓								
Debi Mease Director		✓								
Sue Nations Director		✓								
Laura Smith Director		✓								
Pam Straughan Director		✓								
Chuck Sutton Director		✓								
Sophia Thomas Director		✓								
Sheri Turk Director		✓								
1b Total								32		

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 ►

- 3** Did the organization list any **former** officer, director or trustee, key employee, or highest compensated employee on line 1a? If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual
- 4** For any individual listed on line 1a, is the sum of reportable compensation and other compensation from the organization and related organizations greater than \$150,000? If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual.
- 5** Did any person listed on line 1a receive or accrue compensation from any unrelated organization for services rendered to the organization? If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such person

	Yes	No
3		✓
4		✓
5		✓

Section B. Independent Contractors

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

(A) Name and business address	(B) Description of services	(C) Compensation
2 Total number of independent contractors (including but not limited to those listed above) who received more than \$100,000 in compensation from the organization ►		

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	4,170				
	d Related organizations	1d					
	e Government grants (contributions).	1e	4,733,840				
	f All other contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts not included above	1f	57,523				
	g Noncash contributions included in lines 1a-1f: \$						
	h Total. Add lines 1a-1f		4,795,533				
Program Service Revenue		Business Code					
	2a Family Support Network Sib S		60	60			
	b Clay Co. CLASP Luncheon		113	113			
	c						
	d						
	e						
	f All other program service revenue						
	g Total. Add lines 2a-2f		173				
Other Revenue	3 Investment income (including dividends, interest, and other similar amounts)		2,048			2,048	
	4 Income from investment of tax-exempt bond proceeds						
	5 Royalties						
		(i) Real	(ii) Personal				
	6a Gross Rents						
	b Less: rental expenses						
	c Rental income or (loss)						
	d Net rental income or (loss)						
	7a Gross amount from sales of assets other than inventory	(i) Securities	(ii) Other				
	b Less: cost or other basis and sales expenses						
	c Gain or (loss)						
	d Net gain or (loss)						
	8a Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ of contributions reported on line 1c). See Part IV, line 18	a	4,360				
	b Less: direct expenses	b	4,016				
	c Net income or (loss) from fundraising events		344				
	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	3,909					
b Less: cost of goods sold	b						
c Net income or (loss) from sales of inventory		3,909		3,909			
Miscellaneous Revenue		Business Code					
11a							
b							
c							
d All other revenue							
e Total. Add lines 11a-11d							
12 Total revenue. See instructions.		4,802,007	173	3,909	2,048		

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	3,729,813	3,729,813		
2	Grants and other assistance to individuals in the U.S. See Part IV, line 22	13,913	13,913		
3	Grants and other assistance to governments, organizations, and individuals outside the U.S. See Part IV, lines 15 and 16				
4	Benefits paid to or for members				
5	Compensation of current officers, directors, trustees, and key employees				
6	Compensation not included above, to disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)) and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B)				
7	Other salaries and wages	598,489	338,047	190,063	70,379
8	Pension plan contributions (include section 401(k) and section 403(b) employer contributions)	50,690	29,086	15,763	5,841
9	Other employee benefits	42,046	28,806	9,721	3,519
10	Payroll taxes	53,411	30,641	16,762	6,008
11	Fees for services (non-employees):				
a	Management				
b	Legal				
c	Accounting	2,104		2,104	
d	Lobbying				
e	Professional fundraising services. See Part IV, line 17				
f	Investment management fees				
g	Other	41,725	41,725		
12	Advertising and promotion	1,082	120	962	
13	Office expenses	11,461	1,722	9,671	68
14	Information technology	1,481	705	631	145
15	Royalties	550		550	
16	Occupancy	43,612		43,612	
17	Travel	33,068	26,843	5,432	793
18	Payments of travel or entertainment expenses for any federal, state, or local public officials				
19	Conferences, conventions, and meetings	12,765	10,321	2,444	
20	Interest	6,845		6,845	
21	Payments to affiliates				
22	Depreciation, depletion, and amortization				
23	Insurance	7,514		7,514	
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	Communications (phone, postage, etc)	13,181	3,310	9,866	5
b	Printing	2,277	131	2,137	9
c	Dues & Subscriptions	5,402	299	2,408	2,695
d	Furniture and Equipment	4,316	130	4,186	
e	Utilities	4,018		4,018	
f	All other expenses Educational Supplies	21,143	21,085	58	
25	Total functional expenses. Add lines 1 through 24f	4,700,906	4,276,697	334,747	89,462
26	Joint costs. Check here <input type="checkbox"/> if following SOP 98-2. Complete this line only if the organization reported in column (B) joint costs from a combined educational campaign and fundraising solicitation				

Part X Balance Sheet

		(A) Beginning of year		(B) End of year
Assets	1 Cash—non-interest-bearing		1	
	2 Savings and temporary cash investments	406,276	2	514,366
	3 Pledges and grants receivable, net		3	
	4 Accounts receivable, net	10,679	4	12,725
	5 Receivables from current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, and highest compensated employees. Complete Part II of Schedule L		5	
	6 Receivables from other disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)) and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B). Complete Part II of Schedule L		6	
	7 Notes and loans receivable, net		7	
	8 Inventories for sale or use		8	
	9 Prepaid expenses and deferred charges		9	
	10a Land, buildings, and equipment: cost or other basis. Complete Part VI of Schedule D 10a			
	b Less: accumulated depreciation 10b		10c	
	11 Investments—publicly traded securities	1985	11	1985
	12 Investments—other securities. See Part IV, line 11		12	
	13 Investments—program-related. See Part IV, line 11		13	
	14 Intangible assets		14	
	15 Other assets. See Part IV, line 11	21,358	15	26,297
16 Total assets. Add lines 1 through 15 (must equal line 34)	440,298	16	555,373	
Liabilities	17 Accounts payable and accrued expenses	15,564	17	29,306
	18 Grants payable		18	
	19 Deferred revenue		19	
	20 Tax-exempt bond liabilities		20	
	21 Escrow or custodial account liability. Complete Part IV of Schedule D		21	
	22 Payables to current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, highest compensated employees, and disqualified persons. Complete Part II of Schedule L		22	
	23 Secured mortgages and notes payable to unrelated third parties		23	
	24 Unsecured notes and loans payable to unrelated third parties		24	
	25 Other liabilities. Complete Part X of Schedule D	1,464	25	1,697
	26 Total liabilities. Add lines 17 through 25	17,028	26	31,003
Net Assets or Fund Balances	Organizations that follow SFAS 117, check here <input type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 27 through 29, and lines 33 and 34.			
	27 Unrestricted net assets	379,423	27	486,029
	28 Temporarily restricted net assets	22,489	28	12,044
	29 Permanently restricted net assets	21,358	29	26,297
	Organizations that do not follow SFAS 117, check here <input type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 30 through 34.			
	30 Capital stock or trust principal, or current funds		30	
	31 Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, building, or equipment fund		31	
	32 Retained earnings, endowment, accumulated income, or other funds		32	
	33 Total net assets or fund balances	423,270	33	524,370
	34 Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances	440,298	34	555,373

Part XI Financial Statements and Reporting

- 1** Accounting method used to prepare the Form 990: ☒ Cash ☐ Accrual ☐ Other _____
If the organization changed its method of accounting from a prior year or checked "Other," explain in Schedule O.
- 2a** Were the organization's financial statements compiled or reviewed by an independent accountant? . . .
- b** Were the organization's financial statements audited by an independent accountant?
- c** If "Yes" to line 2a or 2b, does the organization have a committee that assumes responsibility for oversight of the audit, review, or compilation of its financial statements and selection of an independent accountant? . . .
If the organization changed either its oversight process or selection process during the tax year, explain in Schedule O.
- d** If "Yes" to line 2a or 2b, check a box below to indicate whether the financial statements for the year were issued on a consolidated basis, separate basis, or both:
☐ Separate basis ☐ Consolidated basis ☐ Both consolidated and separate basis
- 3a** As a result of a federal award, was the organization required to undergo an audit or audits as set forth in the Single Audit Act and OMB Circular A-133?
- b** If "Yes," did the organization undergo the required audit or audits? If the organization did not undergo the required audit or audits, explain why in Schedule O and describe any steps taken to undergo such audits.

	Yes	No
2a		✓
2b		✓
2c	✓	
3a		✓
3b		

SCHEDULE A
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Public Charity Status and Public Support

Complete if the organization is a section 501(c)(3) organization or a section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust.

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

OMB No 1545-0047

2009

Open to Public Inspection

Name of the organization

Region A Partnership for Children

Employer identification number

56 1869575

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

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

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

- (i) A person who directly or indirectly controls, either alone or together with persons described in (ii) and (iii) below, the governing body of the supported organization? ☐
- (ii) A family member of a person described in (i) above? ☐
- (iii) A 35% controlled entity of a person described in (i) or (ii) above? ☐

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

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

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

Part II **Support Schedule for Organizations Described in Sections 170(b)(1)(A)(iv) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi)**
(Complete only if you checked the box on line 5, 7, or 8 of Part I.)

Section A. Public Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ►	(a) 2005	(b) 2006	(c) 2007	(d) 2008	(e) 2009	(f) Total
1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received. (Do not include any "unusual grants.")	4,031,253	4,532,783	4,705,224	4,943,107	4,791,363	23,003,730
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	4,031,253	4,532,783	4,705,224	4,943,107	4,791,363	23,003,730
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)						1,246,700
6 Public support. Subtract line 5 from line 4.						21,757,030

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	4,031,253	4,532,783	4,705,224	4,943,107	4,791,363	23,003,730
8 Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources	51,121	50,023	27,060	16,751	10,644	155,599
9 Net income from unrelated business activities, whether or not the business is regularly carried on						
10 Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part IV.)						
11 Total support. Add lines 7 through 10						
12 Gross receipts from related activities, etc. (see instructions)					12	23,159,329
13 First five years. If the Form 990 is for the organization's first, second, third, fourth, or fifth tax year as a section 501(c)(3) organization, check this box and stop here <input type="checkbox"/>						

Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage

14 Public support percentage for 2009 (line 6, column (f) divided by line 11, column (f))	14	94 %
15 Public support percentage from 2008 Schedule A, Part II, line 14	15	99 %
16a 33⅓% support test—2009. If the organization did not check the box on line 13, and line 14 is 33⅓% or more, check this box and stop here. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
b 33⅓% support test—2008. If the organization did not check a box on line 13 or 16a, and line 15 is 33⅓% or more, check this box and stop here. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization <input type="checkbox"/>		
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 <input type="checkbox"/>		
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 <input type="checkbox"/>		
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 ► <input type="checkbox"/>		

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

Section A. Public Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ►	(a) 2005	(b) 2006	(c) 2007	(d) 2008	(e) 2009	(f) Total
1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received. (Do not include any "unusual grants.")						
2 Gross receipts from admissions, merchandise sold or services performed, or facilities furnished in any activity that is related to the organization's tax-exempt purpose						
3 Gross receipts from activities that are not an unrelated trade or business under section 513						
4 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf						
5 The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge						
6 Total. Add lines 1 through 5						
7a Amounts included on lines 1, 2, and 3 received from disqualified persons						
b Amounts included on lines 2 and 3 received from other than disqualified persons that exceed the greater of \$5,000 or 1% of the amount on line 13 for the year						
c Add lines 7a and 7b						
8 Public 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
9 Amounts from line 6						
10a Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources						
b Unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 taxes) from businesses acquired after June 30, 1975						
c Add lines 10a and 10b						
11 Net income from unrelated business activities not included in line 10b, whether or not the business is regularly carried on						
12 Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part IV.)						
13 Total support. (Add lines 9, 10c, 11, and 12.)						
14 First five years. If the Form 990 is for the organization's first, second, third, fourth, or fifth tax year as a section 501(c)(3) organization, check this box and stop here ► <input type="checkbox"/>						

Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage

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

Section D. Computation of Investment Income Percentage

17 Investment income percentage for 2009 (line 10c, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f))	17	%
18 Investment income percentage from 2008 Schedule A, Part III, line 17	18	%

- 19a 33⅓% support tests—2009.** If the organization did not check the box on line 14, and line 15 is more than 33⅓%, and line 17 is not more than 33⅓%, check this box and **stop here**. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization ► ☐
- b 33⅓% support tests—2008.** If the organization did not check a box on line 14 or line 19a, and line 16 is more than 33⅓%, and line 18 is not more than 33⅓%, check this box and **stop here**. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization ► ☐
- 20 Private foundation.** If the organization did not check a box on line 14, 19a, or 19b, check this box and see instructions ► ☐

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

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SCHEDULE C
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Political Campaign and Lobbying Activities

OMB No 1545-0047

2009

Open to Public
Inspection

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.

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

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

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

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

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

If the organization answered "Yes," to Form 990, Part IV, line 5 (Proxy Tax), then

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

Name of organization

Employer identification number

Region A Partnership for Children

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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 function activities ▶ \$

3 Total exempt function expenditures. Add lines 1 and 2. Enter here and on Form 1120-POL, line 17b ▶ \$

4 Did the filing organization file Form 1120-POL for this year? ☐ Yes ☐ No

5 Enter the names, addresses and employer identification number (EIN) of all section 527 political organizations to which payments were made. For each organization listed, enter the amount paid from the filing organization's funds. Also enter the amount of political contributions received that were promptly and directly delivered to a separate political organization, such as a separate segregated fund or a political action committee (PAC). If additional space is needed, provide information in Part IV.

(a) Name	(b) Address	(c) EIN	(d) Amount paid from filing organization's funds. If none, enter -0-	(e) Amount of political contributions received and promptly and directly delivered to a separate political organization. If none, enter -0-

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)															
b Total lobbying expenditures to influence a legislative body (direct lobbying)															
c Total lobbying expenditures (add lines 1a and 1b)															
d Other exempt purpose expenditures															
e Total exempt purpose expenditures (add lines 1c and 1d)															
f Lobbying nontaxable amount Enter the amount from the following table in both columns.															
<table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>If the amount on line 1e, column (a) or (b) is:</th> <th>The lobbying nontaxable amount is:</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <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> </tbody> </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)															
h Subtract line 1g from line 1a. If zero or less, enter -0-															
i Subtract line 1f from line 1c. If zero or less, enter -0-															
j If there is an amount other than zero on either line 1h or line 1i, did the organization file Form 4720 reporting section 4911 tax for this year?			<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> 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 nontaxable amount					
b Lobbying ceiling amount (150% of line 2a, column (e))					
c Total lobbying expenditures					
d Grassroots nontaxable amount					
e Grassroots ceiling amount (150% of line 2d, column (e))					
f Grassroots lobbying expenditures					

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?	✓		938
h Rallies, demonstrations, seminars, conventions, speeches, lectures, or any similar means?		✓	
i Other activities? If "Yes," describe in Part IV	✓		340
j Total. Add 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?	1	
2 Did the organization make only in-house lobbying expenditures of \$2,000 or less?	2	
3 Did the organization agree to carryover lobbying and political expenditures from the prior year?	3	

Part III-B Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(4), section 501(c)(5), or section 501(c)(6) if BOTH Part III-A, lines 1 and 2 are answered "No" OR if Part III-A, line 3 is answered "Yes."

1 Dues, assessments and similar amounts from members	1	
2 Section 162(e) nondeductible lobbying and political expenditures (do not include amounts of political expenses for which the section 527(f) tax was paid).		
a Current year	2a	
b Carryover from last year	2b	
c Total	2c	
3 Aggregate amount reported in section 6033(e)(1)(A) notices of nondeductible section 162(e) dues	3	
4 If notices were sent and the amount on line 2c exceeds the amount on line 3, what portion of the excess does the organization agree to carryover to the reasonable estimate of nondeductible lobbying and political expenditure next year?	4	
5 Taxable amount of lobbying and political expenditures (see instructions)	5	

Part IV Supplemental Information

Complete this part to provide the descriptions required for Part I-A, line 1; Part I-B, line 4; Part I-C, line 5; and Part II-B, line 1i. Also, complete this part for any additional information.

The Region A Partnership for Children participated in a one day event referred to as 'Tuesday for Tots'. During this event a

volunteer family was escorted to Raleigh, NC to meet with state legislators and discuss issues that impact families in

western North Carolina. The amount in line 1.g. include \$628 in personnel expenses for staff to escort volunteers to

Raleigh, NC and meet with legislators.

**SCHEDULE D
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Internal Revenue Service

Supplemental Financial Statements

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

▶ Attach to Form 990. ▶ See separate instructions.

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

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

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

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

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

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

☐ Preservation of land for public use (e g , recreation or pleasure) ☐ Preservation of an historically important land area

☐ Protection of natural habitat ☐ Preservation of a certified historic structure

☐ Preservation of open space

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

	Held at the End of the Tax Year
a Total number of conservation easements	2a
b Total acreage restricted by conservation easements	2b
c Number of conservation easements on a certified historic structure included in (a)	2c
d Number of conservation easements included in (c) acquired after 8/17/06	2d

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

b Assets included in Form 990, Part X ▶ \$

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

1	Total revenue (Form 990, Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	1	
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 through 8	9	
10	Excess or (deficit) for the year per audited 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 investments	2a	
b	Donated services and use of facilities	2b	
c	Recoveries of prior year grants	2c	
d	Other (Describe in Part XIV.)	2d	
e	Add lines 2a through 2d	2e	
3	Subtract line 2e from line 1	3	
4	Amounts included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, but not on line 1:		
a	Investment expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b	4a	
b	Other (Describe in Part XIV.)	4b	
c	Add lines 4a and 4b	4c	
5	Total revenue. Add lines 3 and 4c. (This must 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 facilities	2a	
b	Prior year adjustments	2b	
c	Other losses	2c	
d	Other (Describe in Part XIV.)	2d	
e	Add lines 2a through 2d	2e	
3	Subtract line 2e from line 1	3	
4	Amounts included on Form 990, Part IX, line 25, but not on line 1:		
a	Investment expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b	4a	
b	Other (Describe in Part XIV.)	4b	
c	Add lines 4a and 4b	4c	
5	Total expenses. Add lines 3 and 4c. (This must 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, line 2; Part XI, line 8; Part XII, lines 2d and 4b; and Part XIII, lines 2d and 4b. Also complete this part to provide any additional information.

Part V.4. Proceeds from the Carolina Mountain Trust for Children & Youth endowment are used to support awards that honor exemplary volunteer services to children and youth. Awards are presented in the form of grants to local organizations and individuals nominated by the community.

**SCHEDULE I
(Form 990)**

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

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

1 (a) Name and address of organization or government	(b) EIN	(c) IRC section if applicable	(d) Amount of cash grant	(e) Amount of non-cash assistance	(f) Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other)	(g) Description of non-cash assistance	(h) Purpose of grant or assistance
Cherokee Boys Club, Inc. Cherokee, NC	56-0819154	501 (c)3	42,120				More at Four
Cherokee County Health Dpt. Murphy, NC	56-6000285	Cherokee Co	54,588				Smart Start
Cherokee County Schools Murphy, NC	56-6000411	Cherokee Co Sc	418,392				More at Four
Clay County Schools Hayesville, NC	56-6001009	Clay County Sc	214,357				More at 4 & Smart S
Clay County Health Department Hayesville, NC	56-6000287	Clay Co	31,685				Smart Start
Communication Therapies, Inc. Dillsboro, NC	56-2222981		53,000				Smart Start
Family Resources of Cherokee C Murphy, NC	56-2085819	501 (c)3	80,943				Smart Start
Fontana Regional Library Bryson City, NC	56-6001950	501(c)3	57,851				Smart Start
Four Square Community Action Andrews, NC	56-6068400	501 (c)3	186,264				More at Four
Graham Co Board of Education Robbinsville, NC	56-6001037	Graham Co Sch	177,840				More at Four
Graham Co Health Department Robbinsville, NC	56-600030	Graham Co	27,221				Smart Start
Haywood Community College Clyde, NC	56-0894341	Haywood CC	72,540				More at Four
2 Enter total number of section 501(c)(3) and government organizations			▶ 24				
3 Enter total number of other organizations			▶ 2				

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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 Part IV and 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
Payment for childcare services	25	850			
Raising A Reader program incentives	18		11,159	Cost	Books & literacy support materials
Regional Training Activities	23		1,457	Cost	Support materials for classrooms
Family Support Network	25		447	Cost	Informational materials

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

Region A Partnership for Children staff conduct separate program and financial monitoring of grantees. Programmatic monitoring consists of quarterly

reports that provide data on outputs and outcomes. Annual visits to the grantee program sites are made to inspect program documentation, facilities, and discuss challenges and achievements. An annual program monitoring report is issued to the service provider.

Financial monitoring consists of monthly financial status reports outlining program expenditures. Annual visits to the program site are also made to inspect supporting documentation and contract compliance. Issues of insufficient documentation or non-compliance are addressed and an annual monitoring report is issued to the provider. Throughout the process the organization's Executive Director is kept apprised of any issues requiring immediate attention. A summary of the process, findings, and service provider accomplishments is provided to the board of directors.

**SCHEDULE I-1
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Continuation Sheet for Schedule I (Form 990)

▶ Attach to Form 990 to list additional information for
Schedule I (Form 990), Part II or Part III.

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Part I Continuation of Grants and Other Assistance to Governments and Organizations in the United States (Schedule I (Form 990), Part II.)

(a) Name and address of organization or government	(b) EIN	(c) IRC section if applicable	(d) Amount of cash grant	(e) Amount of non-cash assistance	(f) Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other)	(g) Description of non-cash assistance	(h) Purpose of grant or assistance
Haywood Co. Consolidated Schools Waynesville, NC	56-6001045	Haywood CCS	227,448				More at Four
Haywood County Health Department Waynesville, NC	56-6001524	Haywood Co.	60,880				Smart Start
Jackson Co. Health Department Sylva, NC	56-6000310	Jackson Co.	59,183				Smart Start
Jackson County Schools Sylva, NC	56-6001054	Jackson Co. Sc	119,808				More at Four
Kids Advocacy Resource Effort Waynesville, NC	58-1983440	501(c) 3	108,151				Smart Start
Macon Co Health Department Franklin, NC	56-6000930	Macon Co.	55,269				Smart Start
Macon County Schools Franklin, NC	56-6001069	Macon Co. Sc	167,544				More at Four
Macon Program for Progress Franklin, NC	56-6065297	501 (c) 3	444,779				More @ 4; Smart St
Mountain Projects Waynesville, NC	56-0849092	501 (c) 3	193,964				More @ 4; Smart St
Pam's Preschool Sylva, NC	56-1750129		48,204				More at Four
Southwestern Child Development Commission, Webster, NC	23-7181553	501(c)3	408,676				More @ 4; Smart St
Swain Co Health Department Bryson City, NC	56-6000342	Swain Co	26,998				Smart Start
Swain County Schools Bryson City, NC	56-6001118	Swain Co Sch	342,108				More at Four
Swain County Family Resource Center, Bryson City, NC	56-6000342	Swain County	50,000				Smart Start

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Schedule J-2 (Form 990) 2009

**SCHEDULE O
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Supplemental Information to Form 990

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

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Part III, 4d.

Child Care Education and Affordability - Expenses of \$197,112 including grants of \$42,800. This category includes the extension of Head Start services for children in Head Start classrooms, transportation for children who are otherwise home-bound and unable to access a Head Start classroom, and support services for children not in formal childcare through Community Early Learning Groups.

Childcare Education Quality - Expenses of \$115,973 including grants of \$59,308. This category includes services that provide child care resource and referral for families, transition to kindergarten activities, and early childhood education provider training and professional development.

Program Coordination and Evaluation - Expenses of \$120,920 including grants of \$0. This category includes the coordination of community services and program resources throughout the region and evaluation of those services. The activity includes a project manager who serves as a convener of community early childhood resources and provides programmatic technical assistance to Smart Start service providers. This activity also includes a program evaluator who analyzes program data and monitors the programmatic aspects of grant funded activities to ensure adherence to proposal outcomes and program contracts.

Part VI, 11A.

The Form 990 is prepared by the organization's fiscal officer and reviewed by the executive director and an independent CPA firm. The final version is then provided to the executive committee and distributed electronically to the Board.

Part VI, 12c.

The Region A Partnership for Children board members complete an annual resolution acknowledging they have read and will follow, the conflict of interest policy. Board members also complete annual questionnaires self-disclosing any conflicts of interest. Board members recuse from voting on any decisions in which they are conflicted.

Part VI 15a.

Although the organization's executive director was not replaced this year, the process for filling the position is as follows: The nominating and governance committee oversees an executive search committee that conducts the executive director recruitment activities. This committee is responsible for advertising, vetting, interviewing and recommending the organization's executive director. This committee is also responsible for the analysis of compensation. Records of the

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of the process are retained by the board secretary.

Part VI, 19.

A file with current governing and public documents is maintained in the organization's primary business office. Copies are available upon written request to any member of the public.

Part XI, 2. a. & b.

North Carolina General Statutes 143B-168.14.(b) subjects the Region A Partnership for Children to participation in biennial audits as contracted for, and administered by, the North Carolina Partnership for Children (NCPC). NCPC prohibits expenses for audit services through the Smart Start cost principals and is responsible for selecting and retaining a qualified CPA firm, as well as, scheduling and reporting the biennial audit. The June 30, 2010 financial statement audit is scheduled to be completed by March 31, 2011 and has not begun as of the 2009 990 filing deadline.