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Form **990-EZ**

**Short Form
Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax**

OMB No 1545-1150

2009

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Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

▶ Sponsoring organizations of donor advised funds and controlling organizations as defined in section 512(b)(13) must file Form 990. All other organizations with gross receipts less than \$500,000 and total assets less than \$1,250,000 at the end of the year may use this form.
▶ 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 **10/01/09**, and ending **09/30/10**

B Check if applicable: <input type="checkbox"/> Address change <input type="checkbox"/> Name change <input type="checkbox"/> Initial return <input type="checkbox"/> Termination <input type="checkbox"/> Amended return <input type="checkbox"/> Application pending	Please use IRS label or print or type. See Specific Instructions	C Name of organization VITAL EDGE FUND	D Employer identification number 20-3793080
		Number and street (or P O box, if mail is not delivered to street address) Room/suite PO BOX 1000	E Telephone number 631-537-5468
		City or town, state or country, and ZIP + 4 BRIDGEHAMPTON NY 11932	F Group Exemption Number ▶

● Section 501(c)(3) organizations and 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts must attach a completed Schedule A (Form 990 or 990-EZ).
G Accounting method Cash Accrual
Other (specify) ▶

I Website: ▶ **WWW.VITALEEDGEAID.ORG**
J Tax-exempt status (check only one) — 501(c) (**3**) ◀ (insert no) 4947(a)(1) or 527
H Check if the organization is not required to attach Schedule B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF)

K Check if the organization is not a section 509(a)(3) supporting organization and its gross receipts are normally not more than \$25,000. A Form 990-EZ or Form 990 return is not required, but if the organization chooses to file a return, be sure to file a complete return.

L Add lines 5b, 6b, and 7b, to line 9 to determine gross receipts, if \$500,000 or more, file Form 990 instead of Form 990-EZ ▶ \$ **189,258**

Part I Revenue, Expenses, and Changes in Net Assets or Fund Balances (See the instructions for Part I)

		1	2	3	4	5a	5b	5c	6a	6b	6c	7a	7b	7c	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21				
Revenue	1	Contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts received														189,258																
	2	Program service revenue including government fees and contracts																														
	3	Membership dues and assessments																														
	4	Investment income																														
	5a	Gross amount from sale of assets other than inventory																														
	5b	Less cost or other basis and sales expenses																														
	5c	Gain or (loss) from sale of assets other than inventory (Subtract line 5b from line 5a)																														
	6	Special events and activities (complete applicable parts of Schedule G) If any amount is from gaming, check here <input type="checkbox"/>																														
	6a	Gross revenue (not including \$ _____ of contributions reported on line 1)																														
6b	Less direct expenses other than fundraising expenses																															
6c	Net income or (loss) from special events and activities (Subtract line 6b from line 6a)																															
7a	Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances																															
7b	Less cost of goods sold																															
7c	Gross profit or (loss) from sales of inventory (Subtract line 7b from line 7a)																															
8	Other revenue (describe ▶ _____)																															
9	Total revenue. Add lines 1, 2, 3, 4, 5c, 6c, 7c, and 8																															
Expenses	10	Grants and similar amounts paid (attach schedule) STMT 1														42,205																
	11	Benefits paid to or for members																														
	12	Salaries, other compensation, and employee benefits														50,000																
	13	Professional fees and other payments to independent contractors														1,520																
	14	Occupancy, rent, utilities, and maintenance																														
	15	Printing, publications, postage, and shipping																														
	16	Other expenses (describe ▶ SEE STATEMENT 2)														54,159																
17	Total expenses. Add lines 10 through 16														147,884																	
Net Assets	18	Excess or (deficit) for the year (Subtract line 17 from line 9)														41,374																
	19	Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (from line 27, column (A)) (must agree with end-of-year figure reported on prior year's return)														18,846																
	20	Other changes in net assets or fund balances (attach explanation)																														
	21	Net assets or fund balances at end of year. Combine lines 18 through 20														60,220																

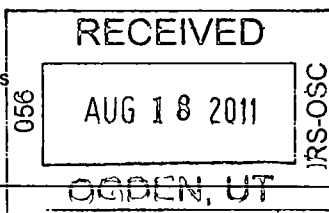
Part II Balance Sheets. If Total assets on line 25, column (B) are \$1,250,000 or more, file Form 990 instead of Form 990-EZ

		(See the instructions for Part II)		(A) Beginning of year	(B) End of year
22	Cash, savings, and investments			18,846	60,220
23	Land and buildings				
24	Other assets (describe ▶ _____)				
25	Total assets			18,846	60,220
26	Total liabilities (describe ▶ _____)			0	0
27	Net assets or fund balances (line 27 of column (B) must agree with line 21)			18,846	60,220

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Part V Other Information (Note the statement requirements in the instructions for Part V)

		Yes	No
33	Did the organization engage in any activity not previously reported to the IRS? If "Yes," attach a detailed description of each activity		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
34	Were any changes made to the organizing or governing documents? If "Yes," attached a conformed copy of the changes		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
35	If the organization had income from business activities, such as those reported on lines 2, 6a, and 7a (among others), but not reported on Form 990-T, attach a statement explaining why the organization did not report the income on Form 990-T		
a	Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more or was it subject to section 6033(e) notice, reporting, and proxy tax requirements?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
b	If "Yes," has it filed a tax return on Form 990-T for this year?		
36	Did the organization undergo a liquidation, dissolution, termination, or significant disposition of net assets during the year? If "Yes," complete applicable parts of Schedule N		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
37a	Enter amount of political expenditures, direct or indirect, as described in the instr ▶ 37a		
b	Did the organization file Form 1120-POL for this year?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
38a	Did the organization borrow from, or make any loans to, any officer, director, trustee, or key employee or were any such loans made in a prior year and still outstanding at the end of the period covered by this return?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
b	If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part II and enter the total amount involved 38b		
39	Section 501(c)(7) organizations Enter		
a	Initiation fees and capital contributions included on line 9 39a		
b	Gross receipts, included on line 9, for public use of club facilities 39b		
40a	Section 501(c)(3) organizations Enter amount of tax imposed on the organization during the year under section 4911 ▶ _____ , section 4912 ▶ _____ , section 4955 ▶ _____		
b	Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations Did the organization engage in any section 4958 excess benefit transaction during the year or is it aware that it engaged in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person in a prior year, and that the transaction has not been reported on any of the organization's prior Forms 990 or 990-EZ? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
c	Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations Enter amount of tax imposed on organization managers or disqualified persons during the year under sections 4912, 4955, and 4958 ▶ _____		
d	Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations Enter amount of tax on line 40c reimbursed by the organization ▶ _____		
e	All organizations At any time during the tax year, was the organization a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction? If "Yes," complete Form 8886-T		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
41	List the states with which a copy of this return is filed ▶ NY		
42a	The organization's books are in care of ▶ VITAL EDGE FUND Telephone no ▶ 631-537-5468 P.O. BOX 1000 Located at ▶ BRIDGEHAMPTON, NY ZIP + 4 ▶ 11932		
b	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)? 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.	Yes	No
42b			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
c	At any time during the calendar year, did the organization maintain an office outside of the U S ? If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country ▶ _____		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
43	Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts filing Form 990-EZ in lieu of Form 1041—Check here ▶ <input type="checkbox"/> and enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the tax year ▶ 43		
44	Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds? If "Yes," Form 990 must be completed instead of Form 990-EZ		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
45	Is any related organization a controlled entity of the organization within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? If "Yes," Form 990 must be completed instead of Form 990-EZ		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Part VI Section 501(c)(3) organizations and section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts only. All section 501(c)(3) organizations and section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts must answer questions 46-49b and complete the tables for lines 50 and 51.

	Yes	No
46 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		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
47 Did the organization engage in lobbying activities? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part II		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
48 Is the organization operating a school as described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? If "Yes," complete Schedule E		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
49a Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
b If "Yes," was the related organization a section 527 organization?		

50 Complete this table for the organization's five highest compensated employees (other than officers, directors, trustees and key employees) who each received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization. If there is none, enter "None."

(a) Name and address of each employee paid more than \$100,000	(b) Title and average hours per week devoted to position	(c) Compensation	(d) Contributions to employee benefit plans & deferred compensation	(e) Expense account and other allowances
NONE				

f Total number of other employees paid over \$100,000 ▶ _____

51 Complete this table for the organization's five highest compensated independent contractors who each received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization. If there is none, enter "None."

(a) Name and address of each independent contractor paid more than \$100,000	(b) Type of service	(c) Compensation
NONE		

d Total number of other independent contractors each receiving over \$100,000 ▶ _____

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 Date 8/11/2011

Robin Saidman
Signature of officer
ROBIN SAIDMAN
Type or print name and title

DIRECTOR
Title

Paid Preparer's Use Only

Preparer's signature RONALD G. FARNWORTH, CPA Date 08/10/11 Check if self-employed

Firm's name (or yours if self-employed), address, and ZIP + 4 KANDELL, FARNWORTH & PUBINS, CPA'S, P.C.
727 UNION AVE
RIVERHEAD, NY 11901-1912

Preparer's Identifying Number (See instr.) P00008002
EIN 11-2701159
Phone no 631-722-5300

May the IRS discuss this return with the preparer shown above? See instructions Yes No

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")	39,819	102,887	72,824	62,937	189,258	467,725
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	39,819	102,887	72,824	62,937	189,258	467,725
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)						260,714
6 Public support. Subtract line 5 from line 4						207,011

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	39,819	102,887	72,824	62,937	189,258	467,725
8 Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources						
9 Net income from unrelated business activities, whether or not the business is regularly carried on					0	
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						467,725
12 Gross receipts from related activities, etc (see instructions)					12	
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 checked="" 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	%
15 Public support percentage from 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	▶	<input type="checkbox"/>
b 33 1/3 % support test—2008. If the organization did not check a box on line 13 or 16a, and line 15 is 33 1/3 % or more, check this box and stop here. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization	▶	<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 ►

Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage

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

Section D. Computation of Investment Income Percentage

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

19a 33 1/3 % support tests—2009. If the organization did not check the box on line 14, and line 15 is more than 33 1/3 %, and line 17 is not more than 33 1/3 %, check this box and stop here. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization ►

b 33 1/3 % support tests—2008. If the organization did not check a box on line 14 or line 19a, and line 16 is more than 33 1/3 %, and line 18 is not more than 33 1/3 %, check this box and stop here. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization ►

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

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

V18 Vital Edge Fund
 20-3793080
 FYE: 9/30/2010

Federal Statements

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Statement 1 - Form 990-EZ, Part I, Line 10 - Grants and Similar Amounts Paid to Organizations

Name and Address	Date of Gift	Description of Property	Class of Activity		Book Value	Book Value Explanation	FMV Explanation
			Cash Contribution	Noncash Contribution			
HAND/EYE FUND 30 RUE PACOT PORT AU PRINCE, HA	8/07/10		20,190				
AMPRODE/SAHEL ACI2000, 392 FACE CLINIQUE, KABALA BAMAKO, ML	8/25/10		5,125				
OXFAM MALI BP E 1272 QUARTIER DU FLUEVE BAMAKO, ML	8/25/11		5,125				
TOTAL							

30,440

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Statement 2 - Form 990-EZ, Part I, Line 16 - Other Expenses

<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>
EXPENSES	\$
AIRFARE & TRAVEL EXPENSES	17,868
INTEREST	304
BANK AND CC PROC FEES	220
FUNDRAISING EVENT EXPENSE	9,234
OFFICE SUPPLIES	316
MISCELLANEOUS	380
SPINNING WHEELS	19,802
CONSULTING	6,000
FILING FEE	35
TOTAL	<u>\$ 54,159</u>

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Statement 3 - Form 990-EZ, Part III - Organization's Primary Exempt Purpose

Description

TO PROVIDE RESEARCH, INFORMATION AND EDUCATION ON THE GLOBAL NEED FOR PHILANTHROPIC CONTRIBUTION TO PROVIDE FOR THE THIRD WORLD POOR WHILE GAINING AN UNDERSTANDING OF THEIR CULTURE WHICH WILL PROVIDE FOR ENSURING SECURITY OF THOSE LIVES ABROAD AS WELL AS HERE AT HOME. THE ORGANIZATION SEEKS TO ACCOMPLISH THIS THROUGH EXHIBITIONS, DOCUMENTARIES AND SPECIFIC PROGRAMS AND APPEALS BASED ON A DEMONSTRATED AND UNDERSTANDABLE GOAL, A LIMITED AND ACHIEVABLE OBJECTIVE, AND A TANGIBLE RESULT.SEE WEBSITE FOR SPECIFIC PROGRAMS COMPLETED, IN PROGRESS AND CONTEMPLATED.

Statement 4 - Form 990-EZ, Part III, Line 28 - Statement of Program Service Accomplishments

Description

TO PROVIDE RESEARCH, INFORMATION AND EDUCATION ON THE GLOBAL NEED FOR PHILANTHROPIC CONTRIBUTION TO PROVIDE FOR THE THIRD WORLD POOR WHILE GAINING AN UNDERSTANDING OF THEIR CULTURE WHICH WILL PROVIDE FOR ENSURING SECURITY OF THOSE LIVES ABROAD AS WELL AS HERE AT HOME. THE ORGANIZATION SEEKS TO ACCOMPLISH THIS THROUGH EXHIBITIONS, DOCUMENTARIES AND SPECIFIC PROGRAMS AND APPEALS BASED ON A DEMONSTRATED AND UNDERSTANDABLE GOAL, A LIMITED AND ACHIEVABLE OBJECTIVE, AND A TANGIBLE RESULT.SEE WEBSITE FOR SPECIFIC PROGRAMS COMPLETED, IN PROGRESS AND CONTEMPLATED.