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Form **990-EZ**

Short Form Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

OMB No 1545-1150

2010

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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)

▶ Sponsoring organizations of donor advised funds, organizations that operate one or more hospital facilities and certain controlling organizations as defined in section 512(b)(13) must file Form 990 (see instructions). All other organizations with gross receipts less than \$200,000 and total assets less than \$500,000 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 2010 calendar year, or tax year beginning 2010, and ending 2010

<p>B Check if applicable:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Address change</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Name change</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Initial return</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Terminated</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Amended return</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Application pending</p>	<p>C</p> <p style="font-size: 14pt; font-weight: bold;">BETTER HOUSING COALITION</p> <p>350 FRANK OGAWA PLAZA, SUITE 703 OAKLAND, CA 94612</p>	<p>D Employer identification number <u>20-3854121</u></p> <p>E Telephone number <u>(510) 834-0400</u></p> <p>F Group Exemption Number</p>
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G Accounting Method: Cash Accrual Other (specify) _____

H Check if the organization is **not** required to attach Schedule B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF)

I Website: N/A

J Tax-exempt status (ck only one) -- 501(c)(3) 501(c) (6) (insert no) 4947(a)(1) or 527

K Check if the organization is not a section 509(a)(3) supporting organization and its gross receipts are normally **not** more than \$50,000. A Form 990-EZ or Form 990 return is not required though Form 990-N (e-postcard) may be required (see instructions). But if the organization chooses to file a return, be sure to file a complete return.

L Add lines 5b, 6c, and 7b, to line 9 to determine gross receipts. If gross receipts are \$200,000 or more or if total assets (Part II, line 25, column (B) below) are \$500,000 or more, file Form 990 instead of Form 990-EZ. ▶ \$

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

Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part I

	1 Contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts received	1	
	2 Program service revenue including government fees and contracts	2	
	3 Membership dues and assessments	3	
	4 Investment income	4	
	5a Gross amount from sale of assets other than inventory	5a	
	b Less cost or other basis and sales expenses	5b	
	c Gain or (loss) from sale of assets other than inventory (Subtract line 5b from line 5a)	5c	
	6 Gaming and fundraising events		
	a Gross income from gaming (attach Schedule G if greater than \$15,000)	6a	
	b Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ _____ of contributions from fundraising events reported on line 1) (attach Schedule G if the sum of such gross income and contributions is greater than \$50,000)	6b	
	c Less direct expenses from gaming and fundraising events	6c	
	d Net income or (loss) from gaming and fundraising events (add lines 6a and 6b and subtract line 6c)	6d	
	7a Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances	7a	
	b Less cost of goods sold	7b	
	c Gross profit or (loss) from sales of inventory (Subtract line 7b from line 7a)	7c	
	8 Other revenue (describe in Schedule O)	8	
	9 Total revenue. Add lines 1, 2, 3, 4, 5c, 6d, 7c, and 8	9	0
	10 Grants and similar amounts paid (list in Schedule O)	10	
	11 Benefits paid to or for members	11	
	12 Salaries, other compensation, and employee benefits	12	
	13 Professional fees and other payments to independent contractors	13	
	14 Occupancy, rent, utilities, and maintenance	14	
	15 Printing, publications, postage, and shipping	15	
	16 Other expenses (describe in Schedule O)	16	
	17 Total expenses. Add lines 10 through 16	17	0
	18 Excess or (deficit) for the year (Subtract line 17 from line 9)	18	0
	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)	19	367
	20 Other changes in net assets or fund balances (explain in Schedule O)	20	
	21 Net assets or fund balances at end of year. Combine lines 18 through 20	21	367

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BAA For Paperwork Reduction Act Notice, see the separate instructions. Form 990-EZ (2010)

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Part II Balance Sheets. (see the instructions for Part II)

Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part II

Table with 2 main columns: (A) Beginning of year and (B) End of year. Rows include 22 Cash, savings, and investments; 23 Land and buildings; 24 Other assets; 25 Total assets; 26 Total liabilities; 27 Net assets or fund balances.

Part III Statement of Program Service Accomplishments (see the instrs for Part III)

Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part III

Expenses

(Required for section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations and section 4947(a)(1) trusts, optional for others)

What is the organization's primary exempt purpose? SEE SCHEDULE O

Describe what was achieved in carrying out the organization's exempt purposes. In a clear and concise manner, describe the services provided, the number of persons benefited, and other relevant information for each program title

Table for program service accomplishments with rows 28-32. Each row includes a description, a grant amount field, and an expense column labeled 28a-31a.

Part IV List of Officers, Directors, Trustees, and Key Employees. List each one even if not compensated (see the instructions for Part IV)

Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part IV

Table with 5 columns: (a) Name and address, (b) Title and average hours per week devoted to position, (c) Compensation (if not paid, enter -0-), (d) Contributions to employee benefit plans and deferred compensation, (e) Expense account and other allowances.

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

Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part V

	Yes	No
33 Did the organization engage in any activity not previously reported to the IRS? If 'Yes,' provide a detailed description of each activity in Schedule O		X
34 Were any significant changes made to the organizing or governing documents? If 'Yes,' attach a conformed copy of the amended documents if they reflect a change to the organization's name. Otherwise, explain the change on Schedule O (see instructions)		X
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, explain in Schedule O 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 a section 501(c)(4), 501(c)(5), or 501(c)(6) organization subject to section 6033(e) notice, reporting, and proxy tax requirements?		X
b If 'Yes,' has it filed a tax return on Form 990-T for this year (see instructions)?		
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		X
37a Enter amount of political expenditures, direct or indirect, as described in the instructions ▶ <u>37a</u> 0.		
b Did the organization file Form 1120-POL for this year?		X
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 tax year covered by this return?		X
b If 'Yes,' complete Schedule L, Part II and enter the total amount involved 38b N/A		
39 Section 501(c)(7) organizations Enter		
a Initiation fees and capital contributions included on line 9 39a N/A		
b Gross receipts, included on line 9, for public use of club facilities 39b N/A		
40a Section 501(c)(3) organizations Enter amount of tax imposed on the organization during the year under section 4911 ▶ N/A, section 4912 ▶ N/A, section 4955 ▶ N/A		
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 did it engage in an excess benefit transaction in a prior year that has not been reported on any of its prior Forms 990 or 990-EZ? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule L, Part I 40b		
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 ▶ 0.		
d Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations Enter amount of tax on line 40c reimbursed by the organization ▶ 0		
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 40e		X
41 List the states with which a copy of this return is filed ▶ NONE		

42a The organization's books are in care of **▶** GREG MCCONNELL Telephone no **▶** (510) 834-0400
 Located at **▶** 350 FRANK OGAWA PLAZA, SUITE 703 OAKLAND CA ZIP + 4 **▶** 94612

	Yes	No
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 ▶ _____ 42b		X
See the instructions for exceptions and filing requirements for Form TD F 90-22.1, Report of a Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts		
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 ▶ _____ 42c		X

43 Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts filing Form 990-EZ in lieu of Form 1041 - Check here and enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the tax year **▶** 43 N/A N/A

	Yes	No
44a Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds during the year? If 'Yes,' Form 990 must be completed instead of Form 990-EZ 44a		X
b Did the organization operate one or more hospital facilities during the year? If 'Yes,' Form 990 must be completed instead of Form 990-EZ 44b		X
c Did the organization receive any payments for indoor tanning services during the year? 44c		X
d If 'Yes' to line 44c, has the organization filed a Form 720 to report these payments? If 'No,' provide an explanation in Schedule O 44d		

	Yes	No
45 Is any related organization a controlled entity of the organization within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
a Did the organization receive any payment from or engage in any transaction with a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? If 'Yes,' Form 990 and Schedule R may need to be completed instead of Form 990-EZ (see inst)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
46 Did the organization engage, directly or indirectly, in political campaign activities on behalf of or in opposition to candidates for public office? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule C, Part I	<input type="checkbox"/>	<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 47-49b and 52, and complete the tables for lines 50 and 51

Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part VI

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

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 and deferred compensation	(e) Expense account and other allowances

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

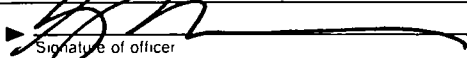
51 Complete this table for the organization's five highest compensated independent contractors who each received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization. If there is none, enter 'None'

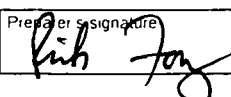
(a) Name and address of each independent contractor paid more than \$100,000	(b) Type of service	(c) Compensation

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

52 Did the organization complete Schedule A? Note: All section 501(c)(3) organizations and 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts must attach a completed Schedule A. Yes No

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: 8/3/2011
 GREG MCCONNELL PRESIDENT
 Type or print name and title

Paid Preparer Use Only: Print/Type preparer's name: Rick Fong; Preparer's signature: ; Date: 7/28/11; Check self-employed: ; PTIN: 900338823
 Firm's name: RICK FONG, CPA; Firm's address: 2251 OCEANSIDE WAY, SAN LEANDRO, CA 94579; Firm's EIN: N/A; Phone no: (510) 352-5889

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

SCHEDULE O
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Supplemental Information to Form 990 or 990-EZ

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Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Complete to provide information for responses to specific questions on
Form 990 or 990-EZ or to provide any additional information.
▶ Attach to Form 990 or 990-EZ.

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Name of the organization

BETTER HOUSING COALITION

Employer identification number

20-3854121

FORM 990-EZ, PART III - ORGANIZATION'S PRIMARY EXEMPT PURPOSE

CREATE AND SUSTAIN A POLICY ENVIRONMENT THAT PROMOTES HOUSING AND HELPS THE CITY
OF OAKLAND THRIVE AND GROW

Application for Extension of Time To File an Exempt Organization Return

▶ **File a separate application for each return.**

- If you are filing for an **Automatic 3-Month Extension**, complete only **Part I** and check this box
 - If you are filing for an **Additional (Not Automatic) 3-Month Extension**, complete only **Part II** (on page 2 of this form).
- Do not complete Part II unless** you have already been granted an automatic 3-month extension on a previously filed Form 8868.

Electronic filing (e-file). You can electronically file Form 8868 if you need a 3-month automatic extension of time to file (6 months for a corporation required to file Form 990-T), or an additional (not automatic) 3-month extension of time. You can electronically file Form 8868 to request an extension of time to file any of the forms listed in Part I or Part II with the exception of Form 8870, Information Return for Transfers Associated With Certain Personal Benefit Contracts, which must be sent to the IRS in paper format (see instructions). For more details on the electronic filing of this form, visit www.irs.gov/efile and click on *e-file for Charities & Nonprofits*.

Part I Automatic 3-Month Extension of Time. Only submit original (no copies needed).

A corporation required to file Form 990-T and requesting an automatic 6-month extension—check this box and complete Part I only

All other corporations (including 1120-C filers), partnerships, REMICs, and trusts must use Form 7004 to request an extension of time to file income tax returns

Type or print	Name of exempt organization BETTER HOUSING COALITION	Employer identification number 20-3854121
File by the due date for filing your return. See instructions.	Number, street, and room or suite no. If a P O box, see instructions 350 FRANK AGAWA PLAZA, SUITE 703	
	City, town or post office, state, and ZIP code. For a foreign address, see instructions OAKLAND, CA 94612	

Enter the Return code for the return that this application is for (file a separate application for each return)

Application Is For	Return Code	Application Is For	Return Code
Form 990	01	Form 990-T (corporation)	07
Form 990-BL	02	Form 1041-A	08
Form 990-EZ	03	Form 4720	09
Form 990-PF	04	Form 5227	10
Form 990-T (sec. 401(a) or 408(a) trust)	05	Form 6069	11
Form 990-T (trust other than above)	06	Form 8870	12

- The books are in the care of ▶ **GREG MCCONNELL**
- Telephone No ▶ **510-701-7158** FAX No ▶ _____
- If the organization does not have an office or place of business in the United States, check this box
- If this is for a Group Return, enter the organization's four digit Group Exemption Number (GEN) _____ If this is for the whole group, check this box If it is for part of the group, check this box and attach a list with the names and EINs of all members the extension is for

1 I request an automatic 3-month (6 months for a corporation required to file Form 990-T) extension of time until 8/15, 20 11, to file the exempt organization return for the organization named above. The extension is for the organization's return for

▶ calendar year 20 10 or

▶ tax year beginning _____, 20 _____, and ending _____, 20 _____

2 If the tax year entered in line 1 is for less than 12 months, check reason. Initial return Final return Change in accounting period

3a If this application is for Form 990-BL, 990-PF, 990-T, 4720, or 6069, enter the tentative tax, less any nonrefundable credits. See instructions.	3a	\$	NONE
b If this application is for Form 990-PF, 990-T, 4720, or 6069, enter any refundable credits and estimated tax payments made. Include any prior year overpayment allowed as a credit.	3b	\$	NONE
c Balance due. Subtract line 3b from line 3a. Include your payment with this form, if required, by using EFTPS (Electronic Federal Tax Payment System). See instructions.	3c	\$	NONE

Caution. If you are going to make an electronic fund withdrawal with this Form 8868, see Form 8453-EO and Form 8879-EO for payment instructions.