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Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

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

OMB No 1545-0047

2010**Open to Public Inspection**

▶ 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 , 20	
B Check if applicable: ☐ Address change ☐ Name change ☐ Initial return ☐ Terminated ☒ Amended return ☐ Application pending	C Name of organization Texas Fair Defense Project Doing Business As Number and street (or P O box if mail is not delivered to street address) Room/suite 510 South Congress Avenue 208 City or town, state or country, and ZIP + 4 Austin, TX 78704-1739
	D Employer identification number 38-3740913
	E Telephone number 512-637-5220
	G Gross receipts \$ 213,589
	F Name and address of principal officer Andrea Marsh Same as C above
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) ☐ 501(c) () ◀ (insert no) ☐ 4947(a)(1) or ☐ 527	
J Website: ▶ http://www.texasfairdefenseproject.org	
K Form of organization ☒ Corporation ☐ Trust ☐ Association ☐ Other ▶	L Year of formation 2006 M State of legal domicile TX

Part I Summary

Activities & Governance	1 Briefly describe the organization's mission or most significant activities: TFDP works to improve the fairness and accuracy of the criminal justice system in Texas by increasing access to counsel and the quality of representation provided to poor people accused of crime.		
	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	3
	4 Number of independent voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1b)	4	3
	5 Total number of individuals employed in calendar year 2010 (Part V, line 2a)	5	4
	6 Total number of volunteers (estimate if necessary)	6	3
	7a Total unrelated business revenue from Part VIII, column (C), line 12	7a	0
b Net unrelated business taxable income from Form 990-T, line 34	7b	0	
Revenue	8 Contributions and grants (Part VIII, line 1h)	Prior Year	Current Year
	9 Program service revenue (Part VIII, line 2g)	366,206	212,960
	10 Investment income (Part VIII, column (A), lines 3, 4, and 7d)	0	0
	11 Other revenue (Part VIII, column (A), lines 5, 6d, 8c, 9c, 10c, and 11e)	960	629
	12 Total revenue—add lines 8 through 11 (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	367,166	213,589
	13 Grants and similar amounts paid (Part IX, column (A), lines 1–3)	0	0
Expenses	14 Benefits paid to or for members (Part IX, column (A), line 4)	0	0
	15 Salaries, other compensation, employee benefits (Part IX, column (A), lines 5–10)	232,461	225,840
	16a Professional fundraising fees (Part IX, column (A), line 11e)	0	0
	b Total fundraising expenses (Part IX, column (D), line 25) ▶ 4,334		
	17 Other expenses (Part IX, column (A), lines 11a–11d, 11f–24f)	42,618	41,247
	18 Total expenses. Add lines 13–17 (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	275,079	267,087
Net Assets or Fund Balances	19 Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 18 from line 12	92,087	(53,498)
	20 Total assets (Part X, line 16)	Beginning of Current Year	End of Year
	21 Total liabilities (Part X, line 26)	270,685	217,177
	22 Net assets or fund balances. Subtract line 21 from line 20	10	0
		270,675	217,177

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 <i>Andrea Marsh</i>	Date 8/24/2012
	Type or print name and title Andrea Marsh, Executive Director	

Paid Preparer Use Only	Print/Type preparer's name	Preparer's signature	Date	Check ☐ if self-employed	PTIN
	Firm's name ▶	Firm's EIN ▶			
	Firm's address ▶	Phone no			

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

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Part III Statement of Program Service AccomplishmentsCheck if Schedule O contains a response to any question in this Part III ☒**1** Briefly describe the organization's mission.

TFDP exists for the purpose of improving the defense of human and civil rights secured by law and, more particularly, the fairness and accuracy of the criminal justice system in Texas. TFDP focuses primarily on improving access to counsel and the quality of representation provided to low- and moderate-income residents. TFDP defend the rights of indigent criminal defendants through litigation, education, and advocacy.

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 \$ 70,000 including grants of \$ 4,000) (Revenue \$ 0)

TFDP pursues civil and criminal litigation involving counties throughout Texas in situations where it believes the county's indigent defense practices violate the U.S. Constitution and/or state law. The objective of this program area is to improve the criminal justice system and protect the rights of indigent criminal defendants by increasing the level of governmental compliance with legal requirements regarding the right to counsel. Although TFDP is only able to litigate a small number of cases each year, cases brought by TFDP establish legal precedents that benefit all indigent defendants in Texas. A list of cases in litigation in 2010 is provided in Schedule O.

4b (Code:) (Expenses \$ 70,000 including grants of \$ 0) (Revenue \$ 0)

TFDP provides technical assistance to local officials and participates in stakeholder working groups convened by judicial branch agencies, bar associations, and other agencies in order to identify best practices for the delivery of indigent defense services. The objective of this program area is to improve the delivery of indigent defense services through the development of model procedures and new local programs. In 2010, TFDP's previous work on the Harris County Public Defender Study Group culminated in the establishment of a new public defender office in Houston. TFDP also helped develop state bar practice guidelines for criminal defense representation, primarily through the Executive Director's role as chair of the bar subcommittee charged with drafting the guidelines. TFDP also helped establish new amnesty and indigency programs for the Texas Driver Responsibility Program.

4c (Code:) (Expenses \$ 50,000 including grants of \$ 0) (Revenue \$ 0)

TFDP monitors Texas's indigent defense system and uses research generated by these activities to develop timely information for dissemination to the public and to build support for criminal justice reform. TFDP also researches national indigent defense standards for their application to Texas. The objective of this program area is to raise public awareness of indigent defense practices and to promote solutions to systemic problems through increased access to reliable data.

4d Other program services (Describe in Schedule O.)(Expenses \$ 49,837 including grants of \$ 0) (Revenue \$ 0)**4e** Total program service expenses **▶** 239,837

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	☒	☐
2 Is the organization required to complete Schedule B, Schedule of Contributors? (see instructions)	☒	☐
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	☐	☒
4 Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Did the organization engage in lobbying activities, or have a section 501(h) election in effect during the tax year? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part II	☒	☐
5 Is the organization a section 501(c)(4), 501(c)(5), or 501(c)(6) organization that receives membership dues, assessments, or similar amounts as defined in Revenue Procedure 98-19? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part III	☐	☒
6 Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds or any similar funds or accounts where donors have the right to provide advice on the distribution or investment of amounts in such funds or accounts? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part I	☐	☒
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	☐	☒
8 Did the organization maintain collections of works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part III	☐	☒
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	☐	☒
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	☐	☒
11 If the organization's answer to any of the following questions is "Yes," then complete Schedule D, Parts VI, VII, VIII, IX, or X as applicable		
a Did the organization report an amount for land, buildings, and equipment in Part X, line 10? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VI	☒	☐
b 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	☐	☒
c 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	☐	☒
d 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	☐	☒
e Did the organization report an amount for other liabilities in Part X, line 25? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X	☐	☒
f 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 (ASC 740)? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X	☐	☒
12 a Did the organization obtain separate, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Parts XI, XII, and XIII	☐	☒
b Was the organization included in consolidated, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? If "Yes," and if the organization answered "No" to line 12a, then completing Schedule D, Parts XI, XII, and XIII is optional	☐	☒
13 Is the organization a school described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? If "Yes," complete Schedule E	☐	☒
14 a Did the organization maintain an office, employees, or agents outside of the United States?	☐	☒
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, Parts I and IV	☐	☒
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, Parts II and IV	☐	☒
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, Parts III and IV	☐	☒
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 (see instructions)	☐	☒
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	☐	☒
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	☐	☒
20 a Did the organization operate one or more hospitals? If "Yes," complete Schedule H	☐	☒
b If "Yes" to line 20a, did the organization attach its audited financial statements to this return? Note. Some Form 990 filers that operate one or more hospitals must attach audited financial statements (see instructions)	☐	☐

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>	21	✓
22 Did the organization report more than \$5,000 of grants and other assistance to individuals in the United States on Part IX, column (A), line 2? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and III</i>	22	✓
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>	23	✓
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>	24a	✓
b Did the organization invest any proceeds of tax-exempt bonds beyond a temporary period exception?	24b	
c Did the organization maintain an escrow account other than a refunding escrow at any time during the year to defease any tax-exempt bonds?	24c	
d Did the organization act as an "on behalf of" issuer for bonds outstanding at any time during the year?	24d	
25a Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations. Did the organization engage in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person during the year? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I</i>	25a	✓
b Is the organization aware that it engaged in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person in a prior year, and that the transaction has not been reported on any of the organization's prior Forms 990 or 990-EZ? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I</i>	25b	✓
26 Was a loan to or by a current or former officer, director, trustee, key employee, highly compensated employee, or disqualified person outstanding as of the end of the organization's tax year? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part II</i>	26	✓
27 Did the organization provide a grant or other assistance to an officer, director, trustee, key employee, substantial contributor, or a grant selection committee member, or to a person related to such an individual? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part III</i>	27	✓
28 Was the organization a party to a business transaction with one of the following parties (see Schedule L, Part IV instructions for applicable filing thresholds, conditions, and exceptions):		
a A current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV</i>	28a	✓
b A family member of a current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV</i>	28b	✓
c An entity of which a current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee (or a family member thereof) was an officer, director, trustee, or direct or indirect owner? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV</i>	28c	✓
29 Did the organization receive more than \$25,000 in non-cash contributions? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule M</i>	29	✓
30 Did the organization receive contributions of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets, or qualified conservation contributions? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule M</i>	30	✓
31 Did the organization liquidate, terminate, or dissolve and cease operations? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part I</i>	31	✓
32 Did the organization sell, exchange, dispose of, or transfer more than 25% of its net assets? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part II</i>	32	✓
33 Did the organization own 100% of an entity disregarded as separate from the organization under Regulations sections 301.7701-2 and 301.7701-3? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part I</i>	33	✓
34 Was the organization related to any tax-exempt or taxable entity? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Parts II, III, IV, and V, line 1</i>	34	✓
35 Is any related organization a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)?	35	✓
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)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2</i> ☐ Yes ☒ No		
36 Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2</i>	36	✓
37 Did the organization conduct more than 5% of its activities through an entity that is not a related organization and that is treated as a partnership for federal income tax purposes? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part VI</i>	37	✓
38 Did the organization complete Schedule O and provide explanations in Schedule O for Part VI, lines 11 and 19? Note. All Form 990 filers are required to complete Schedule O	38	✓

Part V Statements Regarding Other IRS Filings and Tax ComplianceCheck if Schedule O contains a response to any question in this Part V ☐

		Yes	No
1a	Enter the number reported in Box 3 of Form 1096. Enter -0- if not applicable	1a 0	
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 4	
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. (see instructions)	2b ✓	
3a	Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year?	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 instructions for 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?	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 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	If the organization received a contribution of qualified intellectual property, did the organization file Form 8899 as required?	7g	
h	If the organization received a contribution of cars, boats, airplanes, or other vehicles, did the organization file a Form 1098-C?	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	
13	Section 501(c)(29) qualified nonprofit health insurance issuers.		
a	Is the organization licensed to issue qualified health plans in more than one state? Note. See the instructions for additional information the organization must report on Schedule O.	13a	
b	Enter the amount of reserves the organization is required to maintain by the states in which the organization is licensed to issue qualified health plans	13b	
c	Enter the amount of reserves on hand	13c	
14a	Did the organization receive any payments for indoor tanning services during the tax year?	14a	✓
b	If "Yes," has it filed a Form 720 to report these payments? If "No," provide an explanation in Schedule O	14b	

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.

Check if Schedule O contains a response to any question in this Part VI ☒

Section A. Governing Body and Management

	Yes	No
1a Enter the number of voting members of the governing body at the end of the tax year 1a 3		
b Enter the number of voting members included in line 1a, above, who are independent 1b 3		
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?	☒	☐
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?	☐	☒
4 Did the organization make any significant changes to its governing documents since the prior Form 990 was filed?	☐	☒
5 Did the organization become aware during the year of a significant diversion of the organization's assets?	☐	☒
6 Does the organization have members or stockholders?	☐	☒
7a Does the organization have members, stockholders, or other persons who may elect one or more members of the governing body?	☐	☒
b Are any decisions of the governing body subject to approval by members, stockholders, or other persons?	☐	☒
8 Did the organization contemporaneously document the meetings held or written actions undertaken during the year by the following:		
a The governing body?	☒	☐
b Each committee with authority to act on behalf of the governing body?	☐	☒
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.	☐	☒

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?	☐	☒
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?	☐	☐
11a Has the organization provided a copy of this Form 990 to all members of its governing body before filing the form?	☒	☐
b 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	☒	☐
b Are officers, directors or trustees, and key employees required to disclose annually interests that could give rise to conflicts?	☐	☒
c Does the organization regularly and consistently monitor and enforce compliance with the policy? If "Yes," describe in Schedule O how this is done	☒	☐
13 Does the organization have a written whistleblower policy?	☒	☐
14 Does the organization have a written document retention and destruction policy?	☐	☒
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	☒	☐
b Other officers or key employees of the organization	☐	☒
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?	☐	☒
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?	☐	☐

Section C. Disclosure

17 List the states with which a copy of this Form 990 is required to be filed **None**

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 **Texas Fair Defense Project, 510 South Congress Avenue, Suite 208, Austin, TX 78704**
(512) 637-5220

Part VII Compensation of Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, Highest Compensated Employees, and Independent ContractorsCheck if Schedule O contains a response to any question in this Part VII. ☐**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.

- 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, if any. 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 neither the organization nor any related organization compensated any current officer, director, or trustee.

(A) Name and Title	(B) Average hours per week (describe hours for related organizations in Schedule O)	(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			
(1) Raman Gill Board President	1	✓						0	0	0
(2) Lisa Tsai Board Secretary	25	✓						0	0	0
(3) Jeremy Wright Board Treasurer	.5	✓						0	0	0
(4) Andrea Marsh Executive Director	50			✓				67,446	0	4,669
(5)										
(6)										
(7)										
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Part VII Section A. Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees (continued)

(A) Name and title	(B) Average hours per week (describe hours for related organizations in Schedule O)	(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			
(17)										
(18)										
(19)										
(20)										
(21)										
(22)										
(23)										
(24)										
(25)										
(26)										
(27)										
(28)										
1b Sub-total								67,446	0	4,669
c Total from continuation sheets to Part VII, Section A								0	0	0
d Total (add lines 1b and 1c)								67,446	0	4,669

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

- 3** Did the organization list any **former** officer, director or trustee, key employee, or highest compensated employee on line 1a? If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual
- 4** For any individual listed on line 1a, is the sum of reportable compensation and other compensation from the organization and related organizations greater than \$150,000? If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual
- 5** Did any person listed on line 1a receive or accrue compensation from any unrelated organization or individual 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 **0**

Part VIII Statement of Revenue

				(A) Total revenue	(B) Related or exempt function revenue	(C) Unrelated business revenue	(D) Revenue excluded from tax under sections 512, 513, or 514
Contributions, gifts, grants and other similar amounts	1a	Federated campaigns	1a 0				
	b	Membership dues	1b 0				
	c	Fundraising events	1c 0				
	d	Related organizations	1d 0				
	e	Government grants (contributions)	1e 0				
	f	All other contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts not included above	1f 212,960				
	g	Noncash contributions included in lines 1a-1f. \$	0				
	h	Total. Add lines 1a-1f	212,960				
Program Service Revenue				Business Code			
	2a			0	0	0	0
	b			0	0	0	0
	c			0	0	0	0
	d			0	0	0	0
	e			0	0	0	0
	f	All other program service revenue .	0	0	0	0	
	g	Total. Add lines 2a-2f	0				
Other Revenue	3	Investment income (including dividends, interest, and other similar amounts)		629	0	0	629
	4	Income from investment of tax-exempt bond proceeds		0	0	0	0
	5	Royalties		0	0	0	0
	6a	(i) Real					
		(ii) Personal					
		Gross Rents		0	0		
	b	Less: rental expenses		0	0		
	c	Rental income or (loss)		0	0		
	d	Net rental income or (loss)		0	0	0	0
	7a	(i) Securities					
		(ii) Other					
		Gross amount from sales of assets other than inventory		0	0		
	b	Less: cost or other basis and sales expenses		0	0		
	c	Gain or (loss)		0	0		
	d	Net gain or (loss)		0	0	0	0
	8a	Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ 0 of contributions reported on line 1c). See Part IV, line 18		0			
	b	Less: direct expenses		0			
	c	Net income or (loss) from fundraising events		0		0	0
	9a	Gross income from gaming activities. See Part IV, line 19		0			
	b	Less: direct expenses		0			
	c	Net income or (loss) from gaming activities		0	0	0	0
	10a	Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances		0			
b	Less: cost of goods sold		0				
c	Net income or (loss) from sales of inventory		0	0	0	0	
Miscellaneous Revenue			Business Code				
11a			0	0	0	0	
b			0	0	0	0	
c			0	0	0	0	
d	All other revenue		0	0	0	0	
e	Total. Add lines 11a-11d		0				
12	Total revenue. See instructions.		213,589	0	0	629	

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	0	0		
2	Grants and other assistance to individuals in the U.S. See Part IV, line 22	0	0		
3	Grants and other assistance to governments, organizations, and individuals outside the U.S. See Part IV, lines 15 and 16	0	0		
4	Benefits paid to or for members	0	0		
5	Compensation of current officers, directors, trustees, and key employees	73,772	55,250	14,839	3,683
6	Compensation not included above, to disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)) and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B)	0	0	0	0
7	Other salaries and wages	123,371	123,371	0	0
8	Pension plan contributions (include section 401(k) and section 403(b) employer contributions)	0	0	0	0
9	Other employee benefits	13,850	13,850	0	0
10	Payroll taxes	14,847	13,523	1,059	265
11	Fees for services (non-employees):				
a	Management	0	0	0	0
b	Legal	5,830	5,830	0	0
c	Accounting	4,200	0	4,200	0
d	Lobbying	0	0	0	0
e	Professional fundraising services See Part IV, line 17	0			0
f	Investment management fees	0	0	0	0
g	Other	200	0	200	0
12	Advertising and promotion	0	0	0	0
13	Office expenses	6,297	5,869	346	82
14	Information technology	1,768	1,648	97	23
15	Royalties	0	0	0	0
16	Occupancy	15,122	14,078	832	212
17	Travel	3,275	2,858	417	0
18	Payments of travel or entertainment expenses for any federal, state, or local public officials	0	0	0	0
19	Conferences, conventions, and meetings	440	25	415	0
20	Interest	0	0	0	0
21	Payments to affiliates	0	0	0	0
22	Depreciation, depletion, and amortization	2,707	2,520	149	38
23	Insurance	362	0	362	0
24	Other expenses. Itemize expenses not covered above (List miscellaneous expenses in line 24f. If line 24f amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A) amount, list line 24f expenses on Schedule O.)				
a	Lobbyist registration fee	103	103	0	0
b	Online donation processing fees	31	0	0	31
c	Litigation expenses (not otherwise reported)	912	912	0	0
d					
e					
f	All other expenses				
25	Total functional expenses. Add lines 1 through 24f	267,087	239,837	22,916	4,334
26	Joint costs. Check here ☐ if following SOP 98-2 (ASC 958-720). 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	4,562	1	1,444	
	2 Savings and temporary cash investments	198,018	2	210,125	
	3 Pledges and grants receivable, net	62,500	3	0	
	4 Accounts receivable, net	0	4	0	
	5 Receivables from current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, and highest compensated employees. Complete Part II of Schedule L	0	5	0	
	6 Receivables from other disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)), persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B), and contributing employers and sponsoring organizations of section 501(c)(9) voluntary employees' beneficiary organizations (see instructions)	0	6	0	
	7 Notes and loans receivable, net	0	7	0	
	8 Inventories for sale or use	0	8	0	
	9 Prepaid expenses and deferred charges	0	9	0	
	10a Land, buildings, and equipment: cost or other basis. Complete Part VI of Schedule D	17,637			
	b Less: accumulated depreciation	12,029			
	11 Investments—publicly traded securities	0	11	0	
	12 Investments—other securities. See Part IV, line 11	0	12	0	
	13 Investments—program-related. See Part IV, line 11	0	13	0	
	14 Intangible assets	0	14	0	
	15 Other assets. See Part IV, line 11	0	15	0	
16 Total assets. Add lines 1 through 15 (must equal line 34)	270,685	16	217,177		
Liabilities	17 Accounts payable and accrued expenses	0	17	0	
	18 Grants payable	0	18	0	
	19 Deferred revenue	0	19	0	
	20 Tax-exempt bond liabilities	0	20	0	
	21 Escrow or custodial account liability. Complete Part IV of Schedule D	0	21	0	
	22 Payables to current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, highest compensated employees, and disqualified persons. Complete Part II of Schedule L	0	22	0	
	23 Secured mortgages and notes payable to unrelated third parties	0	23	0	
	24 Unsecured notes and loans payable to unrelated third parties	0	24	0	
	25 Other liabilities. Complete Part X of Schedule D	0	25	0	
	26 Total liabilities. Add lines 17 through 25	10	26	0	
Net Assets or Fund Balances	Organizations that follow SFAS 117, check here ☒ and complete lines 27 through 29, and lines 33 and 34.				
	27 Unrestricted net assets	208,175	27	217,177	
	28 Temporarily restricted net assets	62,500	28	0	
	29 Permanently restricted net assets	0	29	0	
	Organizations that do not follow SFAS 117, check here ☐ and complete lines 30 through 34.				
	30 Capital stock or trust principal, or current funds		30		
	31 Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, building, or equipment fund		31		
	32 Retained earnings, endowment, accumulated income, or other funds		32		
	33 Total net assets or fund balances.	270,675	33	217,177	
	34 Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances.	270,685	34	217,177	

Part XI Reconciliation of Net AssetsCheck if Schedule O contains a response to any question in this Part XI ☐

1	Total revenue (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	1	213,589
2	Total expenses (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	2	267,087
3	Revenue less expenses Subtract line 2 from line 1	3	(53,498)
4	Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (must equal Part X, line 33, column (A))	4	270,675
5	Other changes in net assets or fund balances (explain in Schedule O)	5	0
6	Net assets or fund balances at end of year. Combine lines 3, 4, and 5 (must equal Part X, line 33, column (B))	6	217,177

Part XII Financial Statements and ReportingCheck if Schedule O contains a response to any question in this Part XII ☐

- 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 separate basis, consolidated 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.

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Name of the organization

Texas Fair Defense Project

Employer identification number

38-3740913

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	
(A)									
(B)									
(C)									
(D)									
(E)									
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 or if the organization failed to qualify under Part III. If the organization fails to qualify under the tests listed below, please complete Part III.)

Section A. Public Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ►	(a) 2006	(b) 2007	(c) 2008	(d) 2009	(e) 2010	(f) Total
1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received. (Do not include any "unusual grants.")	0	0	226,474	366,206	212,960	805,640
2 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf	0	0	0	0	0	0
3 The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge	0	0	0	0	0	0
4 Total. Add lines 1 through 3	0	0	226,474	366,206	212,960	805,640
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)						108,826
6 Public support. Subtract line 5 from line 4						696,814

Section B. Total Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ►	(a) 2006	(b) 2007	(c) 2008	(d) 2009	(e) 2010	(f) Total
7 Amounts from line 4	0	0	226,474	366,206	212,960	805,640
8 Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources	0	0	1,471	960	629	3,060
9 Net income from unrelated business activities, whether or not the business is regularly carried on	0	0	0	0	0	0
10 Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part IV.)	0	0	0	0	0	0
11 Total support. Add lines 7 through 10						808,700
12 Gross receipts from related activities, etc. (see instructions)					12	0
13 First five years. If the Form 990 is for the organization's first, second, third, fourth, or fifth tax year as a section 501(c)(3) organization, check this box and stop here ► ☒						

Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage

14 Public support percentage for 2010 (line 6, column (f) divided by line 11, column (f))	14	%
15 Public support percentage from 2009 Schedule A, Part II, line 14	15	%
16a 33¹/₃% support test—2010. If the organization did not check the box on line 13, and line 14 is 33 ¹ / ₃ % or more, check this box and stop here. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization ► ☐		
b 33¹/₃% support test—2009. If the organization did not check a box on line 13 or 16a, and line 15 is 33 ¹ / ₃ % or more, check this box and stop here. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization ► ☐		
17a 10%-facts-and-circumstances test—2010. If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, or 16b, and line 14 is 10% or more, and if the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test, check this box and stop here. Explain in Part IV how the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization ► ☐		
b 10%-facts-and-circumstances test—2009. If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, 16b, or 17a, and line 15 is 10% or more, and if the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test, check this box and stop here. Explain in Part IV how the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization ► ☐		
18 Private foundation. If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, 16b, 17a, or 17b, check this box and see instructions ► ☐		

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

(Complete only if you checked the box on line 9 of Part I or if the organization failed to qualify under Part II.
If the organization fails to qualify under the tests listed below, please complete Part II.)

Section A. Public Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ►	(a) 2006	(b) 2007	(c) 2008	(d) 2009	(e) 2010	(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) 2006	(b) 2007	(c) 2008	(d) 2009	(e) 2010	(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 2010 (line 8, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f))	15	%
16 Public support percentage from 2009 Schedule A, Part III, line 15	16	%

Section D. Computation of Investment Income Percentage

17 Investment income percentage for 2010 (line 10c, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f))	17	%
18 Investment income percentage from 2009 Schedule A, Part III, line 17	18	%
19a 33 1/3% support tests—2010. 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—2009. 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. Also complete this part for any additional information. (See instructions).

SCHEDULE C
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Political Campaign and Lobbying Activities

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

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

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

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

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

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

If the organization answered "Yes," to Form 990, Part IV, line 5 (Proxy Tax) or Form 990-EZ, Part V, line 35a (Proxy Tax), then

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

Name of organization Texas Fair Defense Project	Employer identification number 38-3740913
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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 the filing organization made payments. 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-
(1)				
(2)				
(3)				
(4)				
(5)				
(6)				

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)	0													
b	Total lobbying expenditures to influence a legislative body (direct lobbying)	9,145													
c	Total lobbying expenditures (add lines 1a and 1b)	9,145													
d	Other exempt purpose expenditures	257,942													
e	Total exempt purpose expenditures (add lines 1c and 1d)	267,087													
f	Lobbying nontaxable amount. Enter the amount from the following table in both columns.	53,417													
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Over \$17,000,000	\$1,000,000														
g	Grassroots nontaxable amount (enter 25% of line 1f)	13,354													
h	Subtract line 1g from line 1a. If zero or less, enter -0-	0													
i	Subtract line 1f from line 1c. If zero or less, enter -0-	0													
j	If there is an amount other than zero on either line 1h or line 1i, did the organization file Form 4720 reporting section 4911 tax for this year?		☐ Yes ☐ No												

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

Lobbying Expenditures During 4-Year Averaging Period					
Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in)	(a) 2007	(b) 2008	(c) 2009	(d) 2010	(e) Total
2a Lobbying nontaxable amount	N/A	N/A	N/A	53,147	53,147
b Lobbying ceiling amount (150% of line 2a, column (e))					79,721
c Total lobbying expenditures	N/A	N/A	N/A	9,145	9,145
d Grassroots nontaxable amount	N/A	N/A	N/A	13,354	13,354
e Grassroots ceiling amount (150% of line 2d, column (e))					20,031
f Grassroots lobbying expenditures	N/A	N/A	N/A	0	0

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

	(a)		(b)
	Yes	No	Amount
1 During the year, did the filing organization attempt to influence foreign, national, state or local legislation, including any attempt to influence public opinion on a legislative matter or referendum, through the use of:			
a Volunteers?			
b Paid staff or management (include compensation in expenses reported on lines 1c through 1i)?			
c Media advertisements?			
d Mailings to members, legislators, or the public?			
e Publications, or published or broadcast statements?			
f Grants to other organizations for lobbying purposes?			
g Direct contact with legislators, their staffs, government officials, or a legislative body?			
h Rallies, demonstrations, seminars, conventions, speeches, lectures, or any similar means?			
i Other activities? If "Yes," describe in Part IV			
j Total. 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.

Part IV Supplemental Information *(continued)*

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SCHEDULE D
(Form 990)

Department of the Treasury
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 education) ☐ 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, and not on a historic structure listed in the National Register	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 (ASC 958), 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 (ASC 958), 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 (ASC 958) relating to these items:

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

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

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

- 3** Using the organization's acquisition, accession, and other records, check any of the following that are a significant use of its collection items (check all that apply):
- a** ☐ Public exhibition **d** ☐ Loan or exchange programs
- b** ☐ Scholarly research **e** ☐ Other
- c** ☐ Preservation for future generations
- 4** Provide a description of the organization's collections and explain how they further the organization's exempt purpose in Part XIV.
- 5** During the year, did the organization solicit or receive donations of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets to be sold to raise funds rather than to be maintained as part of the organization's collection? ☐ Yes ☐ No

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

- 1a** Is the organization an agent, trustee, custodian or other intermediary for contributions or other assets not included on Form 990, Part X? ☐ Yes ☐ No
- b** If "Yes," explain the arrangement in Part XIV and complete the following table:
- | | Amount |
|--|-----------|
| c Beginning balance | 1c |
| d Additions during the year | 1d |
| e Distributions during the year | 1e |
| f Ending balance | 1f |
- 2a** Did the organization include an amount on Form 990, Part X, line 21? ☐ Yes ☐ No
- b** If "Yes," explain the arrangement in Part XIV.

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

- | | (a) Current year | (b) Prior year | (c) Two years back | (d) Three years back | (e) Four years back |
|---|------------------|----------------|--------------------|----------------------|---------------------|
| 1a Beginning of year balance | | | | | |
| b Contributions | | | | | |
| c Net investment earnings, gains, and losses | | | | | |
| d Grants or scholarships | | | | | |
| e Other expenditures for facilities and programs | | | | | |
| f Administrative expenses | | | | | |
| g End of year balance | | | | | |
- 2** Provide the estimated percentage of the year end balance held as:
- a** Board designated or quasi-endowment ▶ %
- b** Permanent endowment ▶ %
- c** Term endowment ▶ %
- 3a** Are there endowment funds not in the possession of the organization that are held and administered for the organization by:
- | | Yes | No |
|---|---------------|----|
| (i) unrelated organizations | 3a(i) | |
| (ii) related organizations | 3a(ii) | |
| b If "Yes" to 3a(i), are the related organizations listed as required on Schedule R? | 3b | |
- 4** Describe in Part XIV the intended uses of the organization's endowment funds.

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

Description of investment	(a) Cost or other basis (investment)	(b) Cost or other basis (other)	(c) Accumulated depreciation	(d) Book value
1a Land	0	0		0
b Buildings	0	0	0	0
c Leasehold improvements	0	0	0	0
d Equipment	0	17,637	12,029	5,608
e Other	0	0	0	0
Total. Add lines 1a through 1e. (Column (d) must equal Form 990, Part X, column (B), line 10(c).)				5,608

Part VII Investments—Other Securities. See Form 990, Part X, line 12.

(a) Description of security or category (including name of security)	(b) Book value	(c) Method of valuation Cost or end-of-year market value
(1) Financial derivatives		
(2) Closely-held equity interests		
(3) Other		
(A)		
(B)		
(C)		
(D)		
(E)		
(F)		
(G)		
(H)		
(I)		
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col. (B) line 12.) ▶		

Part VIII Investments—Program Related. See Form 990, Part X, line 13.

(a) Description of investment type	(b) Book value	(c) Method of valuation Cost or end-of-year market value
(1)		
(2)		
(3)		
(4)		
(5)		
(6)		
(7)		
(8)		
(9)		
(10)		
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col. (B) line 13.) ▶		

Part IX Other Assets. See Form 990, Part X, line 15.

(a) Description	(b) Book value
(1)	
(2)	
(3)	
(4)	
(5)	
(6)	
(7)	
(8)	
(9)	
(10)	
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col. (B) line 15.) ▶	

Part X Other Liabilities. See Form 990, Part X, line 25.

1. (a) Description of liability	(b) Amount
(1) Federal income taxes	
(2)	
(3)	
(4)	
(5)	
(6)	
(7)	
(8)	
(9)	
(10)	
(11)	
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col. (B) line 25.) ▶	

2. FIN 48 (ASC 740) Footnote. In Part XIV, provide the text of the footnote to the organization's financial statements that reports the organization's liability for uncertain tax positions under FIN 48 (ASC 740).

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 XIV Supplemental Information *(continued)*

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SCHEDULE O
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Department of the Treasury
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Supplemental Information to Form 990 or 990-EZ

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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Part III, Line 4a: The following cases were in litigation in 2010:

Heckman v. Williamson County: In a state civil rights action, TFDP represents a proposed class of indigent misdemeanor defendants challenging misdemeanor court policies and procedures used to deny defendants access to counsel. The challenged practices affect thousands of defendants charged with low-level offenses each year. TFDP is seeking equitable relief that will end the challenged practices. TFDP is seeking fees in this case, with the amount to be determined at the time of resolution.

McFatrige v. State: TFDP agreed to represent a criminal defendant when her pro se petition for discretionary review was granted by the Texas Court of Criminal Appeals. The appeal concerned the evidence that defendants must provide in order to establish that they are indigent for purposes of receiving appointed appellate counsel and a free record on appeal, as well as the standards that courts should apply when weighing such evidence. In January 2010, the Court of Criminal Appeals upheld the trial court's determination that TFDP's client was not indigent. The opinion affirmed case law beneficial for indigent defendants that holds that indigency determinations must be based on a defendant's financial circumstances at the time the request for counsel and/or a free record is made. The court also clarified the two-step process under which the burden of production in indigency determinations shifts from the defendant to the state. TFDP did not seek a fee in this case.

State v. Mayer: TFDP filed an amicus brief before the Texas Court of Criminal Appeals in support of a defendant's claim that he should be able to challenge on appeal a trial court ruling ordering him to repay the cost of his appointed trial counsel. The trial court did not make the required finding that the defendant had the ability to repay the amount specified before it entered the repayment order. In March 2010 the Court of Criminal Appeals ruled for the indigent defendant TFDP supported as amicus. In its opinion the court affirmed that an order to repay appointed attorney fees is invalid if it is entered without any determination by the trial court that the defendant has the ability to pay the fees. The trial court also ruled that defendants do not waive this issue by failing to object at the trial court level to the sufficiency of the evidence supporting orders of repayment. Since it was issued, dozens of indigent defendants have relied on the Mayer opinion to invalidate improper repayment orders. TFDP did not seek a fee in this case.

Asberry v. State: TFDP filed an amicus brief before the Texas Court of Criminal Appeals in support of a defendant's claim that he was improperly denied a court-appointed investigator and a court-appointed expert in his criminal case. The court granted review on the question of whether an indigent defendant must present an affidavit from an expert to support a request for a court-appointed investigator or expert. TFDP has argued that an affidavit is not necessary and that errors in denying funds for investigation are structural.

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The outcome of this appeal will affect the standard that every indigent defendant must meet in order to obtain investigative and expert assistance necessary to prepare an adequate defense. TFDP is not seeking fees in this case.

Part II, Line 4d: TFDP's other program activities include the following:

Direct case assistance (Expenses \$39,837): TFDP provides non-litigation assistance to approximately 350 indigent defendants each year.

This assistance includes helping indigent defendants request and obtain appointed counsel.

Coalition-building and community education (Expenses \$10,000): TFDP collaborates with community partners to provide community education about the right to counsel.

Part VI, Line 1a: In addition to 3 voting members, TFDP's governing body also includes 2 ex officio members who do not have voting rights.

Part VI, Line 8b: TFDP does not have any committees with authority to act on behalf of the governing body.

Part VI, Line 11b: TFDP's governing body reviews the financial statements used to prepare the Form 990 at a formal meeting that is held before the Form 990 is filed. The Form 990 then is prepared and circulated via email to all members of the governing body for review before the Form 990 is filed. The Form 990 also is discussed at the first formal meeting that is held after filing.

Part VI, Line 12c: All members of the governing body are presented with a copy of TFDP's written conflict of interest policy at the time they are appointed to the governing body. Each member of the governing body is instructed to inform the other members and the Executive Director as soon as any conflict arises. The Executive Director also monitors members' compliance with the conflict of interest policy on an ongoing basis.

Part VI, Line 15a: Before setting the Executive Director's starting salary, TFDP's governing body obtained salary information from other nonprofit law firms to ensure comparability. Non-voting members of the governing body who were employed at similar organizations also affirmed that the salary was comparable. The governing body's deliberation on and decision regarding this matter were contemporaneously recorded in the minutes of the formal meeting at which they took place. The governing body has continued to consider comparability information, as well as performance, when setting subsequent salary increases. Those deliberations also are recorded in meeting minutes.

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Part VI, Line 15b: TFDP does not have any officers other than the Executive Director, whose compensation is addressed in Line 15a.

TFDP does not have any key employees.

Part VI, Line 19: TFDP makes its governing documents and conflict of interest policy available for public inspection upon request.

TFDP does not make its financial statements available for public inspection. TFDP makes its financial information available through public inspection of the financial information included in its Form 990.

LIST AND DESCRIPTION OF AMENDMENTS INCLUDED IN AMENDED RETURN

Line G: The amount reported on Line G was amended to reflect amendments made to Part VIII, Lines 1 and 12. Those amendments are described below.

Part I, Prior Year Column, Lines 8, 10, 12, 15, 17, 18, 19: These lines in the Prior Year column were amended to reflect the amounts reported in TFDP's amended return for 2009.

Part I, Current Year, Lines 8, 12, 19: The amount reported on Line 8 was amended to reflect the amendment made to Part VIII, Line 1 and described below. The amendment to Line 8 resulted in an amendment to Lines 12 and 19.

Part I, Current Year, Lines 15, 17: The amounts reported on Lines 15 and 17 were amended to reflect amendments made to Part IX and described below. The amendments to Lines 15 and 17 did not result in an amendment to Line 18 (total expenses).

Part I, Beginning of Current Year, Lines 20, 22: Lines 20 and 22, Beginning of Current Year, were amended to reflect the amounts reported in TFDP's amended return for 2009.

Part I, End of Year, Line 20, 22: Line 20, End of Year, was amended to reflect amendments made to Part X and described below. The amendment to Line 20 resulted in an amendment to Line 22.

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Part III, Line 4a: The grant amount reported on Line 4a was amended to properly report a grant whose use was restricted by the donor for the specified program. The restriction on this grant was omitted from the originally filed return in error.

Part III, Lines 4d, 4e: The expense amount reported on Line 4d was amended to reflect amendments made to Part IX and described below. The amendment to Line 4d resulted in an amendment to the total program service expenses reported on Line 4e.

Part V, Line 7g, 7h: Lines 7g and 7h were amended to leave blank, as TFDP did not receive any contributions of the type specified on either of these lines.

Part VI, Line 11a: Line 11a was amended to reflect changes to TFDP's process for reviewing the Form 990 that have been made since the original return was filed. The current review process is described on Schedule O, above.

Part VI, Line 20: Line 20 was amended to reflect the fact that TFDP's books for 2010 are now in its possession at its business address.

Part VIII, Lines 1f, 1g, 12: The amount reported on Line 1f was amended to accurately reflect the amount of contributions accrued in 2010, in accordance with ASC 958. The amendment to Line 1f resulted in amendments to Lines 1g and 12.

Part IX, Lines 5, 9, 11g, 13, 14, 15, 19, 24: The amounts reported on each of these lines were amended to more accurately reflect the expense categorizations used by TFDP and specified in the instructions for the return. These amendments will facilitate more accurate year-to-year comparisons of TFDP's expenses.

Part IX, Line 25: Some of the amendments described in the paragraph above resulted in a reallocation of expenses across Column B through D, when specific expenses were moved to a line with a different allocation formula than the line on which the expense was reported on the originally filed return. The amendments thereby resulted in amendments to the totals reported on Line 25 for Columns B through D. However, the amendments described in the paragraph above, and any related reallocations across Columns B through D, did not result in an amendment to Line 25, Column A (total functional expenses).

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Part X, Column A, Lines 1, 3, 16 : Line 1 was amended to reflect a rounding error contained in the originally filed return and to reflect the reflect the amount reported in TFDP's amended return for 2009. Line 3 was amended to reflect the amount reported in TFDP's amended return for 2009. The amendments to Lines 1 and 3 resulted in an amendment to Line 16.

Part, X. Lines 27 through 34: Lines 27 through 29 were amended to reflect TFDP's net assets at the beginning of 2010, in conformance with ASC 958. Lines 30 and 31 were amended to leave blank Line 32 was amended to remove an amount improperly reported on this line in the originally filed return. The amendments to Lines 27 through 32 resulted in amendments to Lines 33 and 34.

Part X, Column B, Lines 2, 16: Line 2 was amended to correct a rounding error. The amendment to Line 2 resulted in an amendment to Line 16.

Part X, Column B, Lines 27 through 34: Lines 27 through 29 were amended to reflect TFDP's net assets at the end of 2010, in conformance with ASC 958. Lines 30 and 31 were amended to leave blank Line 32 was amended to remove an amount improperly reported on this line in the originally filed return. The amendments in Lines 27 through 32 resulted in amendments to Lines 33 and 34.

Part XI, Lines 1, 3, 4, 6. Line 1 was amended to reflect amendments that were made to Parts VIII and that are described above. The amendment to Line 1 resulted in amendments to Lines 3, 4, and 6.

Schedule A, Part II: The amounts reported in Columns (c) and (d) were amended in a manner consistent with TFDP's amended returns for 2008 and 2009. The amounts reported in Column (e) were amended in a manner consistent with the amendments made to Form 990, Part VIII, and described above. The amendments to Columns (c) through (e) resulted in amendments to Column (f).