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Form 990

Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

2011

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

Open to Public Inspection

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

A For the 2011 calendar year, or tax year beginning 01-01-2011 and ending 12-31-2011

B Check if applicable

 Address change Name change Initial return Terminated Amended return Application pending

C Name of organization

CONNECTIONS TO SUCCESS

Doing Business As

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

1701 N SECOND STREET

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

ST CHARLES, MO 63301

F Name and address of principal officer

BRAD LAMBERT
1701 N SECOND STREET
ST CHARLES, MO 63301

D Employer identification number

43-1859283

E Telephone number

(314) 940-8027

G Gross receipts \$ 1,769,250

H(a) Is this a group return for affiliates?

 Yes NoH(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: ► N/A

K Form of organization Corporation Trust Association Other ►

L Year of formation 2001

M State of legal domicile
MO

Part I Summary

1 Briefly describe the organization's mission or most significant activities

TO PROVIDE PROGRAMS AND SERVICES TO BREAK THE CYCLE OF POVERTY, ONE FAMILY AT A TIME

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 17

4 Number of independent voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1b)

4 17

5 Total number of individuals employed in calendar year 2011 (Part V, line 2a)

5 31

6 Total number of volunteers (estimate if necessary)

6 388

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

Activities & Governance	Revenue	Prior Year	Current Year
		8 Contributions and grants (Part VIII, line 1h)	1,107,362 1,701,714
	9 Program service revenue (Part VIII, line 2g)	5,100 27,064	
	10 Investment income (Part VIII, column (A), lines 3, 4, and 7d)	3,426 722	
	11 Other revenue (Part VIII, column (A), lines 5, 6d, 8c, 9c, 10c, and 11e)	11,770 -516	
	12 Total revenue—add lines 8 through 11 (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	1,127,658 1,728,984	

Revenue	Expenses	Prior Year	Current Year
		13 Grants and similar amounts paid (Part IX, column (A), lines 1-3)	0 14,970
	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)	721,602 728,574	
	16a Professional fundraising fees (Part IX, column (A), line 11e)	0 0	
	b Total fundraising expenses (Part IX, column (D), line 25) ► 135,774		
	17 Other expenses (Part IX, column (A), lines 11a-11d, 11f-24e)	696,342 485,344	
	18 Total expenses Add lines 13-17 (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	1,417,944 1,228,888	
	19 Revenue less expenses Subtract line 18 from line 12	-290,286 500,096	

Net Assets or Fund Balances		Beginning of Current Year	End of Year
	20 Total assets (Part X, line 16)	84,644 676,470	
	21 Total liabilities (Part X, line 26)	38,413 130,143	
	22 Net assets or fund balances Subtract line 21 from line 20	46,231 546,327	

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	2012-10-02 Date
	BRAD LAMBERT CO-EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR Type or print name and title	

Paid Preparer's Use Only	Preparer's signature ► MICHELE A GRAHAM	Date	Check if self-employed ► <input type="checkbox"/>	Preparer's taxpayer identification number (see instructions) P00147104
	Firm's name (or yours if self-employed), address, and ZIP + 4 ► BOTZ DEAL & COMPANY PC TWO WESTBURY DRIVE ST CHARLES, MO 63301	EIN ► 43-1064657 Phone no ► (636) 946-2800		

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

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

TO EMPOWER DETERMINED INDIVIDUALS WITH A PLAN AND RESOURCES TO ACHIEVE ECONOMIC SELF - RELIANCE

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 organization's program service accomplishments for each of its three largest program services, as measured 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 \$ 697,694 including grants of \$) (Revenue \$ 18,726)

PATHWAYS TO SUCCESS- A HOLISTIC PROGRAM ASSISTING OVER 400 ADULTS A YEAR TRANSITIONING FROM GENERATIONAL POVERTY, INCARCERATION AND OR DOMESTIC VIOLENCE IN ST LOUIS, ST CHARLES AND KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI. SERVICES INCLUDE WORKFORCE READINESS, COGNITIVE SKILL BUILDING, JOB PLACEMENT AND RETENTION, HEALTH & WELLNESS, FINANCIAL EDUCATION, LITERACY & GED, EDUCATION PROGRAMS (IE COMPUTER TRAINING), OCCUPATIONAL SKILLS TRAINING AND TRANSITIONAL EMPLOYMENT. OUTCOMES INCLUDE LIVING WAGE EMPLOYMENT, STABLE HOUSING, RELIABLE TRANSPORTATION, IMPROVED HEALTH, FINANCIAL STABILITY, INCREASE EDUCATION (IE GED, SECONDARY EDUCATION) AND REDUCED RECIDIVISM

4b (Code) (Expenses \$ 167,107 including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)

DRESS FOR SUCCESS MIDWEST- THE PROGRAM PROMOTES THE ECONOMIC INDEPENDENCE OF DISADVANTAGED WOMEN BY PROVIDING PROFESSIONAL ATTIRE, A NETWORK OF SUPPORT AND THE CAREER DEVELOPMENT TOOLS TO HELP WOMEN THRIVE IN WORK AND IN LIFE. THE WOMEN ARE REFERRED FROM OVER 200 NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS IN ST LOUIS & ST CHARLES, MISSOURI AND BELLEVILLE, ILLINOIS. THE SERVICE IS FREE OF CHARGE TO THE NON-PROFITS AS WELL AS THE WOMEN BEING SERVED. OVER 1500 WOMEN A YEAR ARE SERVED THROUGH THE DRESS FOR SUCCESS MIDWEST PROGRAM

4c (Code) (Expenses \$ 101,133 including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)

THE PROFESSIONAL WOMEN'S GROUP (PWG) SERVES OVER 300 WOMEN A YEAR THAT HAVE GONE THROUGH THE DRESS FOR SUCCESS MIDWEST PROGRAM. THE PROFESSIONAL WOMEN'S GROUP (PWG) GUIDES WOMEN THROUGH THEIR FIRST YEAR OF CAREER DEVELOPMENT. OPERATED LIKE A PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATION (MEMBERSHIP IS FREE), PWG STRIVES TO TEACH UNDERSERVED WOMEN ABOUT WORKPLACE COMMUNICATION, CORPORATE CULTURE, HEALTH & WELLNESS, FINANCIAL LITERACY/WEALTH BUILDING, ADVANCEMENT OF CAREER SKILLS, BALANCING FAMILY AND WORK, THE WRITTEN AND UNWRITTEN RULES OF THE WORKPLACE, AND MORE. ALSO INCLUDED IS A HEALTH & WELLNESS PROGRAM CONSISTING OF A HEALTH COACH, NUTRITIONIST AND FITNESS CENTER. PWG GIVES WOMEN OPPORTUNITIES TO FORM ALLIANCES WITH OTHER WOMEN AND PROMOTE LEADERSHIP AND PROFESSIONAL CONFIDENCE

(Code) (Expenses \$ including grants of \$) (Revenue \$ 8,338)

BRIEF OVERVIEW OF ORGANIZATION - CONNECTIONS TO SUCCESS (CTS) FULFILLS ITS VISION OF BEING THE LEADER IN EMPOWERING INDIVIDUALS IN THEIR TRANSFORMATION TO SELF-SUFFICIENCY THROUGH ITS MISSION OF INSPIRING INDIVIDUALS TO REALIZE THEIR DREAMS AND ACHIEVE SELF-SUFFICIENCY BY PROVIDING HOPE, RESOURCES AND A PLAN. THIS IS ACCOMPLISHED THROUGH A HOLISTIC FAMILY OF PROGRAMS THAT ASSIST INDIVIDUALS WITH PROFESSIONAL ATTIRE, JOB READINESS SKILLS, PERSONAL AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT, PEER-TO-PEER MENTORING AND SUPPORT, HEALTH AND WELLNESS INITIATIVES, TRANSPORTATION ASSISTANCE, GOAL SETTING, SKILLS TRAINING IN CULINARY, HOME REMODELING AND AUTO REPAIR & MAINTENANCE, AND MENTORING PROGRAMS ARE OFFERED IN THE ST LOUIS, ST CHARLES AND KANSAS CITY METROPOLITAN AREAS. CTS IS EXTREMELY PROUD OF THE RECOGNITIONS RECEIVED FOR ITS WORK INCLUDING THE FOLLOWING: 1) A PUBLICATION TITLED "THE PRESIDENT'S FAITH-BASED AND COMMUNITY INITIATIVE IN 50 STATES" WAS PRESENTED IN MAY 2008 AT A CONFERENCE IN WASHINGTON, D.C. RECOGNIZING 50 SUCCESS STORIES FROM 50 STATES. THE MISSOURI SUCCESS STORY CHOSEN WAS A PARTICIPANT ENGAGED WITH CTS. 2) IN JUNE 2008, A REPORT "RENEWING COMMUNITIES, RESTORING HOPE, TRANSFORMING LIVES" WAS PREPARED BY THE DEPT. OF LABOR. CTS WAS RECOGNIZED AS A GRASSROOTS, FAITH-BASED ORGANIZATION HAVING GREATLY BENEFITTED FROM THE TRAINING AND SUPPORTIVE SERVICES RECEIVED FROM THE WHITE HOUSE OFFICE OF FAITH-BASED AND COMMUNITY INITIATIVES, THE DEPT. OF LABOR AND OTHER FEDERAL AGENCIES IN GRANT WRITING, COLLABORATION AND SERVICE PROVISION. 3) THE PRESIDENT'S VOLUNTEER SERVICE AWARD FOR 2010 (2011) LEADERSHIP OF EXCELLENCE AWARD FOR THE ST LOUIS COALITION OF 100 BLACK WOMEN

4d Other program services (Describe in Schedule O)

(Expenses \$ including grants of \$) (Revenue \$ 8,338)

4e Total program service expenses \$ 965,934

Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules

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 for which 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 temporarily restricted endowments, permanent endowments, 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

12a 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

14a 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, investment, and program service activities outside the United States, or aggregate foreign investments valued at \$100,000 or more? If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Part I

15 Did the organization report on Part IX, column (A), line 3, more than \$5,000 of grants or assistance to any organization or entity located outside the U.S.? If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Part II 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 U.S.? If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Part 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

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

20a 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 statement to this return? **Note.** All Form 990 filers that operated one or more hospitals must attach audited financial statements

	Yes	No
1	Yes	
2	Yes	
3		No
4		No
5		No
6		No
7		No
8		No
9		No
10		No
11a	Yes	
11b		No
11c		No
11d		No
11e		No
11f	Yes	
12a	Yes	
12b		No
13		No
14a		No
14b		No
15		No
16		No
17		No
18	Yes	
19		No
20a		No
20b		

Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules (continued)

21	Did the organization report more than \$5,000 of grants and other assistance to governments and organizations in the United States on Part IX, column (A), line 1? If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and II	21		No
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? If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and III	22	Yes	
23	Did the organization answer "Yes" to Part VII, Section A, questions 3, 4, or 5, about compensation of the organization's current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, and highest compensated employees? If "Yes," complete Schedule J	23		No
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? If "Yes," answer questions 24b-24d and complete Schedule K. If "No," go to line 25	24a		No
b	Did the organization invest any proceeds of tax-exempt bonds beyond a temporary period exception?	24b		
c	Did the organization maintain an escrow account other than a refunding escrow at any time during the year to defease any tax-exempt bonds?	24c		
d	Did the organization act as an "on behalf of" issuer for bonds outstanding at any time during the year?	24d		
25a	Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations. Did the organization engage in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person during the year? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I	25a		No
b	Is the organization aware that it engaged in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person in a prior year, and that the transaction has not been reported on any of the organization's prior Forms 990 or 990-EZ? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I	25b		No
26	Was a loan to or by a current or former officer, director, trustee, key employee, highly compensated employee, or disqualified person outstanding as of the end of the organization's tax year? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part II	26		No
27	Did the organization provide a grant or other assistance to an officer, director, trustee, key employee, substantial contributor, or a grant selection committee member, or to a person related to such an individual? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part III	27		No
28	Was the organization a party to a business transaction with one of the following parties? (see Schedule L, Part IV instructions for applicable filing thresholds, conditions, and exceptions)	28a		No
a	A current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV	28b		No
b	A family member of a current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV	28c		No
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 owner? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV	29		No
30	Did the organization receive more than \$25,000 in non-cash contributions? If "Yes," complete Schedule M	30		No
31	Did the organization liquidate, terminate, or dissolve and cease operations? If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part I	31		No
32	Did the organization sell, exchange, dispose of, or transfer more than 25% of its net assets? If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part II	32		No
33	Did the organization own 100% of an entity disregarded as separate from the organization under Regulations sections 301 7701-2 and 301 7701-3? If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part I	33		No
34	Was the organization related to any tax-exempt or taxable entity? If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Parts II, III, IV, and V, line 1	34		No
35a	Is any related organization a controlled entity of the filing organization within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)?	35a		No
b	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," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2	35b		No
36	Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization? If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2	36		No
37	Did the organization conduct more than 5% of its activities through an entity that is not a related organization and that is treated as a partnership for federal income tax purposes? If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part VI	37		No
38	Did the organization complete Schedule O and provide explanations in Schedule O for Part VI, lines 11 and 19? Note. All Form 990 filers are required to complete Schedule O	38	Yes	

Part V Statements Regarding Other IRS Filings and Tax Compliance

Check 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	7
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	Yes
2a	Enter the number of employees reported on Form W-3, <i>Transmittal of Wage and Tax Statements</i> filed for the calendar year ending with or within the year covered by this return	2a	31
b	If at least one is reported on line 2a, did the organization file all required federal employment tax returns?	2b	Yes
<p>Note. If the sum of lines 1a and 2a is greater than 250, you may be required to e-file (see instructions)</p>			
3a	Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year?	3a	Yes
b	If "Yes," has it filed a Form 990-T for this year? If "No," provide an explanation in Schedule O	3b	Yes
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 or securities account)?	4a	No
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	No
b	Did any taxable party notify the organization that it was or is a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction?	5b	No
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	No
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).	7a	No
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?	7b	
b	If "Yes," did the organization notify the donor of the value of the goods or services provided?	7c	No
c	Did the organization sell, exchange, or otherwise dispose of tangible personal property for which it was required to file Form 8282?	7d	
d	If "Yes," indicate the number of Forms 8282 filed during the year	7e	
e	Did the organization receive any funds, directly or indirectly, to pay premiums on a personal benefit contract?	7f	
f	Did the organization, during the year, pay premiums, directly or indirectly, on a personal benefit contract?	7g	
g	If the organization received a contribution of qualified intellectual property, did the organization file Form 8899 as required?	7h	
h	If the organization received a contribution of cars, boats, airplanes, or other vehicles, did the organization file a Form 1098-C?	8	
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?	9a	
9	Sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds.	9b	
a	Did the organization make any taxable distributions under section 4966?	10a	
b	Did the organization make a distribution to a donor, donor advisor, or related person?	10b	
10	Section 501(c)(7) organizations. Enter		
a	Initiation fees and capital contributions included on Part VIII, line 12	11a	
b	Gross receipts, included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, for public use of club facilities	11b	
11	Section 501(c)(12) organizations. Enter	12a	
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?	12b	
b	If "Yes," enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the year		
13	Section 501(c)(29) qualified nonprofit health insurance issuers.	13a	
a	Is the organization licensed to issue qualified health plans in more than one state? Note. All 501(c)(29) organizations must list in Schedule O each state in which they are licensed to issue qualified health plans, the amount of reserves required by each state, and the amount of reserves the organization allocated to each state	13b	
b	Enter the aggregate amount of reserves the organization is required to maintain by the states in which the organization is licensed to issue qualified health plans	13c	
c	Enter the aggregate amount of reserves on hand		
14a	Did the organization receive any payments for indoor tanning services during the tax year?	14a	No
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 lines 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	17
b Enter the number of voting members included in line 1a, above, who are independent	1b	17
2 Did any officer, director, trustee, or key employee have a family relationship or a business relationship with any other officer, director, trustee, or key employee?	2	Yes
3 Did the organization delegate control over management duties customarily performed by or under the direct supervision of officers, directors or trustees, or key employees to a management company or other person?	3	No
4 Did the organization make any significant changes to its governing documents since the prior Form 990 was filed?	4	No
5 Did the organization become aware during the year of a significant diversion of the organization's assets?	5	No
6 Did the organization have members or stockholders?	6	No
7a Did the organization have members, stockholders, or other persons who had the power to elect or appoint one or more members of the governing body?	7a	No
b Are any governance decisions of the organization reserved to (or subject to approval by) members, stockholders, or persons other than the governing body?	7b	No
8 Did the organization contemporaneously document the meetings held or written actions undertaken during the year by the following		
a The governing body?	8a	Yes
b Each committee with authority to act on behalf of the governing body?	8b	Yes
9 Is there any officer, director, trustee, or key employee listed in Part VII, Section A, who cannot be reached at the organization's mailing address? If "Yes," provide the names and addresses in Schedule O	9	No

Section B. Policies (This Section B requests information about policies not required by the Internal Revenue Code.)

	Yes	No
10a Did the organization have local chapters, branches, or affiliates?	10a	No
b If "Yes," did the organization have written policies and procedures governing the activities of such chapters, affiliates, and branches to ensure their operations are consistent with the organization's exempt purposes?	10b	
11a Has the organization provided a complete copy of this Form 990 to all members of its governing body before filing the form?	11a	Yes
b Describe in Schedule O the process, if any, used by the organization to review the Form 990		
12a Did the organization have a written conflict of interest policy? If "No," go to line 13	12a	Yes
b Were officers, directors or trustees, and key employees required to disclose annually interests that could give rise to conflicts?	12b	Yes
c Did the organization regularly and consistently monitor and enforce compliance with the policy? If "Yes," describe in Schedule O how this was done	12c	Yes
13 Did the organization have a written whistleblower policy?	13	Yes
14 Did the organization have a written document retention and destruction policy?	14	Yes
15 Did the process for determining compensation of the following persons include a review and approval by independent persons, comparability data, and contemporaneous substantiation of the deliberation and decision?		
a The organization's CEO, Executive Director, or top management official	15a	Yes
b Other officers or key employees of the organization	15b	Yes
If "Yes," to line 15a or 15b, describe the process in Schedule O (see instructions)		
16a Did the organization invest in, contribute assets to, or participate in a joint venture or similar arrangement with a taxable entity during the year?	16a	No
b If "Yes," did the organization follow a written policy or procedure requiring the organization to evaluate its participation in joint venture arrangements under applicable federal tax law, and take steps to safeguard the organization's exempt status with respect to such arrangements?	16b	

Section C. Disclosure

17 List the States with which a copy of this Form 990 is required to be filed

18 Section 6104 requires an organization to make its Form 1023 (or 1024 if applicable), 990, and 990-T (501(c) (3)s only) available for public inspection. Indicate how you made 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 made its governing documents, conflict of interest policy, and financial statements available to the public. See Additional Data Table

20 State the name, physical address, and telephone number of the person who possesses the books and records of the organization
 BRAD LAMBERT
 1701 N 2ND STREET
 ST CHARLES, MO 63301
 (636) 940-8027

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

 Check 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, and **current** key employees. 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, or 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 organizations compensated any current or former officer, director, or trustee

(A) Name and Title	(B) Average hours per week (describe hours for related organizations in Schedule O)	(C) Position (do not check more than one box, unless person is both an officer and a director/trustee)					(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
		Or Director	Individual Trustee	Institutional Trustee	Officer	Key Employee			
(1) SANDRA HUBERT VICE- PRESIDENT	50	X					0	0	0
(2) ANNA PAUL BOARD MEMBER	30	X					0	0	0
(3) NORMA BOOZER BOARD MEMBER	40	X					0	0	0
(4) JEN SEITZ BOARD MEMBER	40	X					0	0	0
(5) DENISE FRANZ BOARD MEMBER	30	X					0	0	0
(6) MARY WEST BOARD MEMBER	50	X					0	0	0
(7) ERIC KAYIRA BOARD MEMBER	10	X					0	0	0
(8) LAURA HERRING BOARD MEMBER	50	X					0	0	0
(9) SANDY SCHNEIDER PRESIDENT	2.50	X					0	0	0
(10) PATRICIA DOHERTY BOARD MEMBER	1.00	X					0	0	0
(11) KEITH VOLLMAR SECRETARY & TREASURER	1.00	X					0	0	0
(12) KRISTEN GIPSON BOARD MEMBER	30	X					0	0	0
(13) DOROTHY WITHERSPOON BOARD MEMBER	10	X					0	0	0
(14) GEORGE ROSENTHAL BOARD MEMBER	30	X					0	0	0
(15) BRAD LAMBERT CO-EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR	40.00			X			49,500	0	8,513
(16) KATHY LAMBERT CO-EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR	40.00			X			55,000	0	9,879

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

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

	Yes	No
3 Did the organization list any former officer, director or trustee, key employee, or highest compensated employee on line 1a? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual</i>	3	No
4 For any individual listed on line 1a, is the sum of reportable compensation and other compensation from the organization and related organizations greater than \$150,000? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual</i>	4	No
5 Did any person listed on line 1a receive or accrue compensation from any unrelated organization or individual for services rendered to the organization? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such person</i>	5	No

Section B. Independent Contractors

1 Complete this table for your five highest compensated independent contractors that received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization. Report compensation for the calendar year ending with or within the organization's tax year.

2 Total number of independent contractors (including but not limited to those listed above) who received more than \$100,000 of 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					
	b Membership dues	1b					
	c Fundraising events	1c	33,394				
	d Related organizations	1d					
	e Government grants (contributions)	1e	445,675				
	f All other contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts not included above	1f	1,222,645				
	g Noncash contributions included in lines 1a-1f \$		16,600				
	h Total. Add lines 1a-1f			1,701,714			
Program Service Revenue	Business Code						
			2a PROGRAM FEES	900099	27,064	27,064	
			b				
			c				
			d				
			e				
			f All other program service revenue				
	g Total. Add lines 2a-2f		27,064				
Other Revenue	3 Investment income (including dividends, interest and other similar amounts)						
			722		722		
	4 Income from investment of tax-exempt bond proceeds						
	5 Royalties						
	6a Gross rents	(I) Real	(II) Personal				
	b Less rental expenses	36,000					
	c Rental income or (loss)	36,000					
	d Net rental income or (loss)	0		0			
7a Gross amount from sales of assets other than inventory	(I) Securities	(II) Other					
b Less cost or other basis and sales expenses							
c Gain or (loss)							
d Net gain or (loss)							
8a Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ 33,394 of contributions reported on line 1c) See Part IV, line 18							
b Less direct expenses	a 3,750						
c Net income or (loss) from fundraising events	b 4,266		-516		-516		
9a Gross income from gaming activities See Part IV, line 19	a						
b Less direct expenses	b						
c Net income or (loss) from gaming activities							
10a Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances	a						
b Less cost of goods sold	b						
c Net income or (loss) from sales of inventory							
Miscellaneous Revenue		Business Code					
11a							
b							
c							
d All other revenue							
e Total. Add lines 11a-11d							
12 Total revenue. See Instructions			1,728,984	27,064	0 206		

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)

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

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 United States See Part IV, line 21				
2 Grants and other assistance to individuals in the United States See Part IV, line 22	14,970	14,970		
3 Grants and other assistance to governments, organizations, and individuals outside the United States See Part IV, lines 15 and 16				
4 Benefits paid to or for members				
5 Compensation of current officers, directors, trustees, and key employees	122,892	75,576	23,345	23,971
6 Compensation not included above, to disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)) and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B)				
7 Other salaries and wages	514,264	391,472	49,689	73,103
8 Pension plan contributions (include section 401(k) and section 403(b) employer contributions)				
9 Other employee benefits	25,951	19,024	2,967	3,960
10 Payroll taxes	65,467	47,989	7,503	9,975
11 Fees for services (non-employees)				
a Management	54,177	54,177		
b Legal				
c Accounting	11,724		11,724	
d Lobbying				
e Professional fundraising See Part IV, line 17				
f Investment management fees				
g Other	303		303	
12 Advertising and promotion	2,133			2,133
13 Office expenses	56,444	48,226	8,160	58
14 Information technology				
15 Royalties				
16 Occupancy	130,291	102,125	15,766	12,400
17 Travel	52,278	52,278		
18 Payments of travel or entertainment expenses for any federal, state, or local public officials				
19 Conferences, conventions, and meetings	68,872	68,263		609
20 Interest	191		191	
21 Payments to affiliates				
22 Depreciation, depletion, and amortization	17,409	17,409		
23 Insurance	19,453	14,590	4,863	
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 CONTRACT SERVICES	44,329	37,264		7,065
b CLIENT ASSISTANCE	8,828	8,828		
c DUES AND SUBSCRIPTIONS	6,969	6,969		
d MISCELLANEOUS	4,669	4,669		
e				
f All other expenses	7,274	2,105	2,669	2,500
25 Total functional expenses. Add lines 1 through 24f	1,228,888	965,934	127,180	135,774
26 Joint costs. Check here <input type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 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	12,333	1 588,401
	2 Savings and temporary cash investments	2	
	3 Pledges and grants receivable, net	14,915	3 26,151
	4 Accounts receivable, net	725	4 7,200
	5 Receivables from current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, and highest compensated employees Complete Part II of Schedule L	5	
	6 Receivables from other disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)) and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B) Complete Part II of Schedule L	6	
	7 Notes and loans receivable, net	7	
	8 Inventories for sale or use	4,300	8 10,000
	9 Prepaid expenses and deferred charges	8,216	9 8,300
	10a Land, buildings, and equipment cost or other basis Complete Part VI of Schedule D	10a 255,083	
	b Less accumulated depreciation	10b 222,665	42,122 10c 32,418
	11 Investments—publicly traded securities	11	
	12 Investments—other securities See Part IV, line 11	12	
	13 Investments—program-related See Part IV, line 11	13	
	14 Intangible assets	14	
	15 Other assets See Part IV, line 11	2,033	15 4,000
	16 Total assets. Add lines 1 through 15 (must equal line 34)	84,644	16 676,470
Liabilities	17 Accounts payable and accrued expenses	38,413	17 84,743
	18 Grants payable	18	
	19 Deferred revenue	19	45,400
	20 Tax-exempt bond liabilities	20	
	21 Escrow or custodial account liability Complete Part IV of Schedule D	21	
	22 Payables to current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, highest compensated employees, and disqualified persons Complete Part II of Schedule L	22	
	23 Secured mortgages and notes payable to unrelated third parties	23	
	24 Unsecured notes and loans payable to unrelated third parties	24	
	25 Other liabilities (including federal income tax, payables to related third parties, and other liabilities not included on lines 17-24) Complete Part X of Schedule D	25	
	26 Total liabilities. Add lines 17 through 25	38,413	26 130,143
Net Assets or Fund Balances	Organizations that follow SFAS 117, check here <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 27 through 29, and lines 33 and 34.		
	27 Unrestricted net assets	46,231	27 -88,112
	28 Temporarily restricted net assets	28	634,439
	29 Permanently restricted net assets	29	
	Organizations that do not follow SFAS 117, check here <input type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 30 through 34.		
	30 Capital stock or trust principal, or current funds	30	
	31 Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, building or equipment fund	31	
	32 Retained earnings, endowment, accumulated income, or other funds	32	
	33 Total net assets or fund balances	46,231	33 546,327
	34 Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances	84,644	34 676,470

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	1,728,984
2 Total expenses (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	2	1,228,888
3 Revenue less expenses Subtract line 2 from line 1	3	500,096
4 Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (must equal Part X, line 33, column (A))	4	46,231
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	546,327

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

	Yes	No
1 Accounting method used to prepare the Form 990 <input type="checkbox"/> Cash <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Accrual <input type="checkbox"/> 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? <input type="checkbox"/>	2a	No
2b Were the organization's financial statements audited by an independent accountant? <input type="checkbox"/>	2b	Yes
2c If "Yes," to 2a or 2b, does the organization have a committee that assumes responsibility for oversight of the audit, review, or compilation of its financial statements and selection of an independent accountant? If the organization changed either its oversight process or selection process during the tax year, explain in Schedule O <input type="checkbox"/>	2c	Yes
2d 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 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Separate basis <input type="checkbox"/> Consolidated basis <input type="checkbox"/> Both consolidated and separated basis		
3a As a result of a federal award, was the organization required to undergo an audit or audits as set forth in the Single Audit Act and OMB Circular A-133? <input type="checkbox"/>	3a	No
3b 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 <input type="checkbox"/>	3b	

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Open to Public
Inspection**SCHEDULE A**
(Form 990 or 990EZ)**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.

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Name of the organization
CONNECTIONS TO SUCCESS

Employer identification number

43-1859283

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

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

1 A church, convention of churches, or association of churches **section 170(b)(1)(A)(i)**.

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

3 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

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 the supported organization?

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

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

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

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

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

Part II Support Schedule for Organizations Described in IRC 170(b)(1)(A)(iv) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi)

(Complete only if you checked the box on line 5, 7, or 8 of Part I 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) 2007	(b) 2008	(c) 2009	(d) 2010	(e) 2011	(f) Total
1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received (Do not include any "unusual grants")	1,230,063	1,478,282	1,575,807	1,107,362	1,701,714	7,093,228
2 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf						
3 The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge						
4 Total. Add lines 1 through 3	1,230,063	1,478,282	1,575,807	1,107,362	1,701,714	7,093,228
5 The portion of total contributions by each person (other than a governmental unit or publicly supported organization) included on line 1 that exceeds 2% of the amount shown on line 11, column (f)						1,909,822
6 Public Support. Subtract line 5 from line 4						5,183,406

Section B. Total Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in)	(a) 2007	(b) 2008	(c) 2009	(d) 2010	(e) 2011	(f) Total
7 Amounts from line 4	1,230,063	1,478,282	1,575,807	1,107,362	1,701,714	7,093,228
8 Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources	1,507	27	50	218	722	2,524
9 Net income from unrelated business activities, whether or not the business is regularly carried on						
10 Other income (Explain in Part IV) Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets						
11 Total support (Add lines 7 through 10)						7,095,752
12 Gross receipts from related activities, etc (See instructions)					12	

13 **First Five Years** If the Form 990 is for the organization's first, second, third, fourth, or fifth tax year as a 501(c)(3) organization, check this box and **stop here** **Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage**

14 Public Support Percentage for 2011 (line 6 column (f) divided by line 11 column (f))	14	73 050 %
15 Public Support Percentage for 2010 Schedule A, Part II, line 14	15	99 970 %
16a 33 1/3% support test—2011. If the organization did not check the box on line 13, and line 14 is 33 1/3% or more, check this box and stop here . The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization 		
b 33 1/3% support test—2010. If the organization did not check the box on line 13 or 16a, and line 15 is 33 1/3% or more, check this box and stop here . The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization 		
17a 10%-facts-and-circumstances test—2011. 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—2010. 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 IRC 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) 2007	(b) 2008	(c) 2009	(d) 2010	(e) 2011	(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) 2007	(b) 2008	(c) 2009	(d) 2010	(e) 2011	(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 501(c)(3) organization, check this box and stop here						

Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage

15 Public Support Percentage for 2011 (line 8 column (f) divided by line 13 column (f))	15
16 Public support percentage from 2010 Schedule A, Part III, line 15	16

Section D. Computation of Investment Income Percentage

17 Investment income percentage for 2011 (line 10c column (f) divided by line 13 column (f))	17
18 Investment income percentage from 2010 Schedule A, Part III, line 17	18
19a 33 1/3% support tests—2011. 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—2010. 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.** Supplemental Information. Complete this part to provide the explanation required by Part II, line 10; Part II, line 17a or 17b; or Part III, line 12. Also complete this part for any additional information. (See instructions).

Facts And Circumstances Test

Explanation

SCHEDULE D
(Form 990)**Supplemental Financial Statements****2011****Open to Public
Inspection**Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

► Complete if the organization answered "Yes," to Form 990, Part IV, line 6, 7, 9, 10, 11a, 11b, 11c, 11d, 11e, 11f, 12a, or 12b
 ► Attach to Form 990. ► See separate instructions.

Name of the organization
CONNECTIONS TO SUCCESS**Employer identification number**

43-1859283

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Protection of natural habitat Preservation of a certified historic structure

Preservation of open space

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

	Held at the End of the Year
2a	
2b	
2c	
2d	

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

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

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

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

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

► \$ _____

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

a Public exhibition 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
1c	
1d	
1e	
1f	

2a Did the organization include an amount on Form 990, Part X, line 21? Yes No

b If "Yes," explain the arrangement in Part XIV

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

	(a) Current Year	(b) Prior Year	(c) Two Years Back	(d) Three Years Back	(e) Four Years Back
1a Beginning of year balance					
b Contributions					
c Investment earnings or 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
3a(i) unrelated organizations		
3a(ii) related organizations		
3b If "Yes" to 3a(ii), are the related organizations listed as required on Schedule R?		

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 property	(a) Cost or other basis (investment)	(b) Cost or other basis (other)	(c) Accumulated depreciation	(d) Book value
1a Land					
b Buildings					
c Leasehold improvements		20,501	10,908	9,593	
d Equipment		234,582	211,757	22,825	
e Other					
Total. Add lines 1a-1e (Column (d) should equal Form 990, Part X, column (B), line 10(c).)					32,418

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		
Other		
Total. (Column (b) should 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
Total. (Column (b) should 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
Total. (Column (b) should equal Form 990, Part X, col (B) line 15.) ►	

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

(a) Description of Liability	(b) Amount
Federal Income Taxes	
Total. (Column (b) should 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 (ASC740)

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

1	Total revenue (Form 990, Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	1	1,728,984
2	Total expenses (Form 990, Part IX, column (A), line 25)	2	1,228,888
3	Excess or (deficit) for the year Subtract line 2 from line 1	3	500,096
4	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	4	
5	Donated services and use of facilities	5	
6	Investment expenses	6	
7	Prior period adjustments	7	
8	Other (Describe in Part XIV)	8	
9	Total adjustments (net) Add lines 4 - 8	9	
10	Excess or (deficit) for the year per financial statements Combine lines 3 and 9	10	500,096

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	1,769,250
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	40,266
e	Add lines 2a through 2d	2e	40,266
3	Subtract line 2e from line 1	3	1,728,984
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	0
5	Total Revenue Add lines 3 and 4c. (This should equal Form 990, Part I, line 12)	5	1,728,984

Part XIII Reconciliation of Expenses per Audited Financial Statements With Expenses per Return

1	Total expenses and losses per audited financial statements	1	1,269,154
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	40,266
e	Add lines 2a through 2d	2e	40,266
3	Subtract line 2e from line 1	3	1,228,888
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	0
5	Total expenses Add lines 3 and 4c. (This should equal Form 990, Part I, line 18)	5	1,228,888

Part XIV Supplemental Information

Complete this part to provide the descriptions required for Part II, lines 3, 5, and 9, Part III, lines 1a and 4, Part IV, lines 1b and 2b, Part V, line 4, Part X, Part XI, line 8, Part XII, lines 2d and 4b, and Part XIII, lines 2d and 4b. Also complete this part to provide any additional information.

Identifier	Return Reference	Explanation
DESCRIPTION OF UNCERTAIN TAX POSITIONS UNDER FIN 48	PART X	FASB ACCOUNTING STANDARDS CODIFICATION TOPIC 740, INCOME TAXES, PROVIDES FOR THE RECOGNITION OF TAX BENEFITS RELATED TO UNCERTAIN TAX POSITIONS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2011, MANAGEMENT BELIEVES THERE ARE NO MATERIAL UNCERTAIN TAX POSITIONS THE ORGANIZATION FILES FORM 990 RETURN OF ORGANIZATION EXEMPT FROM INCOME TAX RETURNS PRIOR TO 2008 ARE CLOSED
PART XII, LINE 2D - OTHER ADJUSTMENTS		FUNDRAISING EXPENSES RENT INCOME
PART XIII, LINE 2D - OTHER ADJUSTMENTS		FUNDRAISING EXPENSES RENT EXPENSE

SCHEDULE G
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Supplemental Information Regarding Fundraising or Gaming Activities

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

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

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

F Attach to Form 990 or Form 990 EZ. **F** See separate instructions

Name of the organization

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Employer identification number

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Part I Fundraising Activities. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 17

1 Indicate whether the organization raised funds through any of the following activities. Check all that apply.

- a** Mail solicitations
- b** Internet and e-mail solicitations
- c** Phone solicitations
- d** In-person solicitations
- e** Solicitation of non-government grants
- f** Solicitation of government grants
- g** Special fundraising events

2a Did the organization have a written or oral agreement with any individual (including officers, directors, trustees or key employees listed in Form 990, Part VII) or entity in connection with professional fundraising services?

Yes No

b If "Yes," list the ten highest paid individuals or entities (fundraisers) pursuant to agreements under which the fundraiser is to be compensated at least \$5,000 by the organization. Form 990-EZ filers are not required to complete this table.

3 List all states in which the organization is registered or licensed to solicit funds or has been notified it is exempt from registration or licensing

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

		(a) Event #1	(b) Event #2	(c) Other Events	(d) Total Events (Add col (a) through col (c))
		<u>POWER WALK</u> (event type)	<u>CAR SHOW</u> (event type)	0 (total number)	
Revenue	1 Gross receipts . . .	23,913	13,231	0	37,144
	2 Less Charitable contributions . . .	20,163	13,231	0	33,394
	3 Gross income (line 1 minus line 2) . . .	3,750			3,750
Direct Expenses	4 Cash prizes . . .				
	5 Non-cash prizes . . .				
	6 Rent/facility costs . . .	90			90
	7 Food and beverages . . .				
	8 Entertainment . . .				
	9 Other direct expenses . . .	2,454	1,722	0	4,176
	10 Direct expense summary Add lines 4 through 9 in column (d)				(4,266)
	11 Net income summary Combine lines 3 and 10 in column (d)				-516

Part III Gaming. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 19, or reported more than \$15,000 on Form 990-EZ, line 6a.

		(a) Bingo	(b) Pull tabs/Instant bingo/progressive bingo	(c) Other gaming	(d) Total gaming (Add col (a) through col (c))
Revenue	1 Gross revenue				
Direct Expenses	2 Cash prizes				
	3 Non-cash prizes				
	4 Rent/facility costs				
	5 Other direct expenses				
	6 Volunteer labor	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
	7 Direct expense summary Add lines 2 through 5 in column (d)				()
	8 Net gaming income summary Combine lines 1 and 7 in column (d)				

9 Enter the state(s) in which the organization operates gaming activities _____

a Is the organization licensed to operate gaming activities in each of these states? Yes No

b If "No," Explain _____

10a Were any of the organization's gaming licenses revoked, suspended or terminated during the tax year? Yes No

b If "Yes," Explain _____

11 Does the organization operate gaming activities with nonmembers? Yes No

12 Is the organization a grantor, beneficiary or trustee of a trust or a member of a partnership or other entity formed to administer charitable gaming? Yes No

13 Indicate the percentage of gaming activity operated in

13a	
13b	

14 Provide the name and address of the person who prepares the organization's gaming/special events books and records

Name ►

Address ►

15a Does the organization have a contract with a third party from whom the organization receives gaming revenue? Yes No

b If "Yes," enter the amount of gaming revenue received by the organization ► \$ _____ and the amount of gaming revenue retained by the third party ► \$ _____

c If "Yes," enter name and address

Name ►

Address ►

16 Gaming manager information

Name ►

Gaming manager compensation ► \$ _____

Description of services provided ►

Director/officer

Employee

Independent contractor

17 Mandatory distributions

a Is the organization required under state law to make charitable distributions from the gaming proceeds to retain the state gaming license? Yes No

b Enter the amount of distributions required under state law distributed to other exempt organizations or spent in the organization's own exempt activities during the tax year ► \$ _____

Part IV Complete this part to provide additional information for responses to questions on Schedule G (see instructions.)

Identifier

ReturnReference

Explanation

**Schedule I
(Form 990)**

Grants and Other Assistance to Organizations, Governments and Individuals in the United States

Complete if the organization answered "Yes," to Form 990, Part IV, line 21 or 22.

► Attach to Form 990

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Part I General Information on Grants and Assistance

1 Does the organization maintain records to substantiate the amount of the grants or assistance, the grantees' eligibility for the grants or assistance, and the selection criteria used to award the grants or assistance? Yes No

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

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

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

(a) Type of grant or assistance	(b) Number of recipients	(c) Amount of cash grant	(d) Amount of non-cash assistance	(e) Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other)	(f) Description of non-cash assistance
(1) VEHICLE DONATIONS	5	0	8,800	FMV	VEHICLE DONATIONS
(2) REPAIRS AND MAINTENANCE	12	5,991	0	FMV	
(3) INSURANCE AND TAXES	12	179	0	FMV	

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

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SCHEDULE O
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)Department of the Treasury
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Complete to provide information for responses to specific questions on
Form 990 or to provide any additional information.
► Attach to Form 990 or 990-EZ.

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Identifier	Return Reference	Explanation
	FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION A, LINE 2	CO-DIRECTORS BRAD LAMBERT & KATHY LAMBERT ARE HUSBAND & WIFE
	FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION B, LINE 11	THE 990 IS REVIEWED BY THE BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE BEFORE SUBMITTAL A COPY IS MADE AVAILABLE TO ALL BOARD MEMBERS
	FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION B, LINE 12C	CONNECTIONS TO SUCCESS HAS AN EXECUTIVE BOARD COMMITTEE TO MONITOR AND RESOLVE ANY CONFLICTS OF INTEREST
	FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION B, LINE 15	THE CO-DIRECTORS' SALARIES ARE ESTABLISHED & APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS SALARIES OF OTHER KEY EMPLOYEES ARE APPROVED AS PART OF THE OVERALL BOARD REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF THE ANNUAL BUDGET ALL OTHER EMPLOYEES' SALARIES ARE BASED ON SALARY RANGES AND ESTABLISHED BY THE CO-DIRECTORS AND BUDGETS APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS COMPARABILITY DATA IS COLLECTED PERIODICALLY FROM LOCAL UNITED WAY AND OTHER ORGANIZATIONS TRACKING THIS INFORMATION
	FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION C, LINE 18	THE 990 AND AUDITED FINANCIALS ARE MADE AVAILABLE TO ANY PARTY UPON REQUEST IN ADDITION, THE 990 IS REGULARLY POSTED ON OTHER PUBLIC WEBSITES
	FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION C, LINE 19	THE INFORMATION DESCRIBED IS AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC UPON REQUEST
		THE ORGANIZATION'S BOARD OF DIRECTORS ASSUME RESPONSIBILITY FOR OVERSIGHT OF THE AUDIT, REVIEW, AND COMPILATION OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS. THE ORGANIZATION HAS NOT CHANGED THEIR OVERSIGHT PROCESS FROM PRIOR YEARS

Additional Data

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

4d. Other program services

(Code) (Expenses \$	including grants of \$) (Revenue \$	8,338)
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BRIEF OVERVIEW OF ORGANIZATION - CONNECTIONS TO SUCCESS (CTS) FULFILLS ITS VISION OF BEING THE LEADER IN EMPOWERING INDIVIDUALS IN THEIR TRANSFORMATION TO SELF-SUFFICIENCY THROUGH ITS MISSION OF INSPIRING INDIVIDUALS TO REALIZE THEIR DREAMS AND ACHIEVE SELF-SUFFICIENCY BY PROVIDING HOPE, RESOURCES AND A PLAN. THIS IS ACCOMPLISHED THROUGH A HOLISTIC FAMILY OF PROGRAMS THAT ASSIST INDIVIDUALS WITH PROFESSIONAL ATTIRE, JOB READINESS SKILLS, PERSONAL AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT, PEER-TO-PEER MENTORING AND SUPPORT, HEALTH AND WELLNESS INITIATIVES, TRANSPORTATION ASSISTANCE, GOAL SETTING, SKILLS TRAINING IN CULINARY, HOME REMODELING AND AUTO REPAIR & MAINTENANCE, AND MENTORING. PROGRAMS ARE OFFERED IN THE ST LOUIS, ST CHARLES AND KANSAS CITY METROPOLITAN AREAS. CTS IS EXTREMELY PROUD OF THE RECOGNITIONS RECEIVED FOR ITS WORK INCLUDING THE FOLLOWING 1) A PUBLICATION TITLED "THE PRESIDENT'S FAITH-BASED AND COMMUNITY INITIATIVE IN 50 STATES" WAS PRESENTED IN MAY 2008 AT A CONFERENCE IN WASHINGTON, D C RECOGNIZING 50 SUCCESS STORIES FROM 50 STATES. THE MISSOURI SUCCESS STORY CHOSEN WAS A PARTICIPANT ENGAGED WITH CTS 2) IN JUNE 2008, A REPORT "RENEWING COMMUNITIES, RESTORING HOPE, TRANSFORMING LIVES" WAS PREPARED BY THE DEPT OF LABOR. CTS WAS RECOGNIZED AS A GRASSROOTS, FAITH-BASED ORGANIZATION HAVING GREATLY BENEFITTED FROM THE TRAINING AND SUPPORTIVE SERVICES RECEIVED FROM THE WHITE HOUSE OFFICE OF FAITH-BASED AND COMMUNITY INITIATIVES, THE DEPT OF LABOR AND OTHER FEDERAL AGENCIES IN GRANT WRITING, COLLABORATION AND SERVICE PROVISION 3) THE PRESIDENT'S VOLUNTEER SERVICE AWARD FOR 20104) 2011 LEADERSHIP OF EXCELLENCE AWARD FOR THE ST LOUIS COALITION OF 100 BLACK WOMEN