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Form **990-EZ****Short Form**  
**Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax**

OMB No 1545-1150

**2012**Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

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

► Sponsoring organizations of donor advised funds, organizations that operate one or more hospital facilities, and certain controlling organizations as defined in section 512(b)(13) must file Form 990 (see instructions). All other organizations with gross receipts less than \$200,000 and total assets less than \$500,000 at the end of the year may use this form.

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

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**A** For the 2012 calendar year, or tax year beginning , 2012, and ending ,

**B** Check if applicable:  
☐ Address change  
☐ Name change  
☐ Initial return  
☐ Terminated  
☐ Amended return  
☐ Application pending

**C** Name of organization  
**Forward Devils Lake Corporation**  
 Number and street (or P O box, if mail is not delivered to street address) Room/suite  
**PO Box 879**  
 City or town, state or country, and ZIP + 4  
**Devils Lake ND 58301**

**D** Employer identification number  
**45-0443068**

**E** Telephone number  
**(701) 662-4933**

**F** Group Exemption Number

**G** Accounting Method. ☐ Cash ☒ Accrual Other (specify) \_\_\_\_\_

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

**I** Website: **N/A**

**J** Tax-exempt status (check only one) — ☐ 501(c)(3) ☒ 501(c) ( 6 ) (insert no.) ☐ 4947(a)(1) or ☐ 527

**K** Check ☐ if the organization is not a section 509(a)(3) supporting organization or a section 527 organization and its gross receipts are normally not more than \$50,000. A Form 990-EZ or Form 990 return is not required though Form 990-N (e-postcard) may be required (see instructions). But if the organization chooses to file a return, be sure to file a complete return.

**L** Add lines 5b, 6c, and 7b, to line 9 to determine gross receipts. If gross receipts are \$200,000 or more, or if total assets (Part II, line 25, column (B) below) are \$500,000 or more, file Form 990 instead of Form 990-EZ. **\$ 160,479.**

**Part I Revenue, Expenses, and Changes in Net Assets or Fund Balances** (see the instructions for Part I)Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part I ☒

<b>1</b>	Contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts received	<b>1</b>	
<b>2</b>	Program service revenue including government fees and contracts	<b>2</b>	144,959.
<b>3</b>	Membership dues and assessments	<b>3</b>	15,095.
<b>4</b>	Investment income	<b>4</b>	125.
<b>5a</b>	Gross amount from sale of assets other than inventory	<b>5a</b>	
<b>5b</b>	Less cost or other basis and sales expenses	<b>5b</b>	
<b>5c</b>	Gain or (loss) from sale of assets other than inventory (Subtract line 5b from line 5a)	<b>5c</b>	
<b>6</b>	Gaming and fundraising events		
<b>6a</b>	Gross income from gaming (attach Schedule G if greater than \$15,000)	<b>6a</b>	
<b>6b</b>	Gross income from fundraising events (not including, if from fundraising events reported on line 1) (attach Schedule G if the sum of such gross income and contributions exceeds \$15,000)	<b>6b</b>	
<b>6c</b>	Less direct expenses from gaming and fundraising events	<b>6c</b>	
<b>6d</b>	Net income or (loss) from gaming and fundraising events (add lines 6a and 6b and subtract line 6c)	<b>6d</b>	
<b>7a</b>	Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances	<b>7a</b>	
<b>7b</b>	Less cost of goods sold	<b>7b</b>	
<b>7c</b>	Gross profit or (loss) from sales of inventory (Subtract line 7b from line 7a)	<b>7c</b>	
<b>8</b>	Other revenue (describe in Schedule O)	<b>8</b>	300.
<b>9</b>	<b>Total revenue.</b> Add lines 1, 2, 3, 4, 5c, 6d, 7c, and 8	<b>9</b>	160,479.
<b>10</b>	Grants and similar amounts paid (list in Schedule O)	<b>10</b>	6,500.
<b>11</b>	Benefits paid to or for members	<b>11</b>	
<b>12</b>	Salaries, other compensation, and employee benefits	<b>12</b>	111,953.
<b>13</b>	Professional fees and other payments to independent contractors	<b>13</b>	16,482.
<b>14</b>	Occupancy, rent, utilities, and maintenance	<b>14</b>	19,500.
<b>15</b>	Printing, publications, postage, and shipping	<b>15</b>	5,627.
<b>16</b>	Other expenses (describe in Schedule O)	<b>16</b>	46,942.
<b>17</b>	<b>Total expenses.</b> Add lines 10 through 16	<b>17</b>	207,004.
<b>18</b>	Excess or (deficit) for the year (Subtract line 17 from line 9)	<b>18</b>	-46,525.
<b>19</b>	Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (from line 27, column (A)) (must agree with end-of-year figure reported on prior year's return)	<b>19</b>	276,884.
<b>20</b>	Other changes in net assets or fund balances (explain in Schedule O)	<b>20</b>	
<b>21</b>	Net assets or fund balances at end of year Combine lines 18 through 20	<b>21</b>	230,359.

**BAA For Paperwork Reduction Act Notice, see the separate instructions.**

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

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

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		(A) Beginning of year	(B) End of year
22	Cash, savings, and investments	208,314.	22 136,485.
23	Land and buildings	83,647.	23 83,647.
24	Other assets (describe in Schedule O)	33,243.	24 30,102.
25	<b>Total assets</b>	325,204.	25 250,234.
26	<b>Total liabilities</b> (describe in Schedule O)	48,320.	26 19,875.
27	<b>Net assets or fund balances</b> (line 27 of column (B) must agree with line 21)	276,884.	27 230,359.

<b>Part III</b>	<b>Statement of Program Service Accomplishments (see the instrs for Part III.)</b>
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Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part III ☐

What is the organization's primary exempt purpose? Promote economic development in Devils Lake, ND  
Describe the organization's program service accomplishments for each of its three largest program services, as measured by expenses. In a clear and concise manner, describe the services provided, the number of persons benefited, and other relevant information for each program title.

## Expenses

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

28 Forward Devils Lake is the city of Devils Lake's economic  
development promoter. Thereby Forward markets the city of  
Devils and provides location incentives to attract businesses to Devils Lake.  
 (Grants \$ ) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here

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 (Grants \$ \_\_\_\_\_) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here ☐

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(Grants \$ ) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here

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31 Other program services (describe in Schedule O)  
(Grants \$ ) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here

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32	<b>Total program service expenses</b> (add lines 28a through 31a)	
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**Part IV** List of Officers, Directors, Trustees, and Key Employees. List each one even if not compensated (see the instructions for Part IV )

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

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**Part V Other Information** (Note the Schedule A and personal benefit contract statement requirements in the instructions for Part V) Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part V

	Yes	No
<b>33</b> Did the organization engage in any activity not previously reported to the IRS? If 'Yes,' provide a detailed description of each activity in Schedule O	33	X
<b>34</b> Were any significant changes made to the organizing or governing documents? If 'Yes,' attach a conformed copy of the amended documents if they reflect a change to the organization's name. Otherwise, explain the change on Schedule O (see instructions)	34	X
<b>35 a</b> Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year from business activities (such as those reported on lines 2, 6a, and 7a, among others)?	35 a	X
<b>b</b> If 'Yes,' to line 35a, has the organization filed a Form 990-T for the year? If 'No,' provide an explanation in Schedule O	35 b	
<b>c</b> Was the organization a section 501(c)(4), 501(c)(5), or 501(c)(6) organization subject to section 6033(e) notice, reporting, and proxy tax requirements during the year? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule C, Part III	35 c	X
<b>36</b> Did the organization undergo a liquidation, dissolution, termination, or significant disposition of net assets during the year? If 'Yes,' complete applicable parts of Schedule N	36	X
<b>37 a</b> Enter amount of political expenditures, direct or indirect, as described in the instructions <span style="float: right;">37 a</span> 0.	37 a	
<b>b</b> Did the organization file <b>Form 1120-POL</b> for this year?	37 b	X
<b>38 a</b> Did the organization borrow from, or make any loans to, any officer, director, trustee, or key employee or were any such loans made in a prior year and still outstanding at the end of the tax year covered by this return?	38 a	X
<b>b</b> If 'Yes,' complete Schedule L, Part II and enter the total amount involved <span style="float: right;">38 b</span>	38 b	
<b>39</b> Section 501(c)(7) organizations Enter	39 a	
<b>a</b> Initiation fees and capital contributions included on line 9	39 a	
<b>b</b> Gross receipts, included on line 9, for public use of club facilities <span style="float: right;">39 b</span>	39 b	
<b>40 a</b> Section 501(c)(3) organizations Enter amount of tax imposed on the organization during the year under section 4911 <span style="float: right;">40 a</span> ; section 4912 <span style="float: right;">40 a</span> , section 4955 <span style="float: right;">40 a</span>	40 a	
<b>b</b> Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations Did the organization engage in any section 4958 excess benefit transaction during the year or did it engage in an excess benefit transaction in a prior year that has not been reported on any of its prior Forms 990 or 990-EZ? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule L, Part I	40 b	
<b>c</b> Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations Enter amount of tax imposed on organization managers or disqualified persons during the year under sections 4912, 4955, and 4958 <span style="float: right;">40 c</span>	40 c	
<b>d</b> Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations Enter amount of tax on line 40c reimbursed by the organization <span style="float: right;">40 d</span>	40 d	
<b>e</b> All organizations At any time during the tax year, was the organization a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction? If 'Yes,' complete Form 8886-T	40 e	X
<b>41</b> List the states with which a copy of this return is filed <span style="float: right;">41</span>	41	

**42 a** The organization's books are in care of ▶ Chris Schilken Telephone no. ▶ (701) 662-4933  
Located at ▶ PO Box 879 Devils Lake ND ZIP + 4 ▶ 58301

	Yes	No
<b>b</b> At any time during the calendar year, did the organization have an interest in or a signature or other authority over a financial account in a foreign country (such as a bank account, securities account, or other financial account)? If 'Yes,' enter the name of the foreign country: <span style="float: right;">▶</span>	<b>42b</b>	X

See the instructions for exceptions and filing requirements for Form TD F 90-22.1, Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts.

c At any time during the calendar year, did the organization maintain an office outside of the U.S.?

If 'Yes,' enter the name of the foreign country: ▶

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

<b>44 a</b>	Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds during the year? If 'Yes,' Form 990 must be completed instead of Form 990-EZ		X
<b>b</b>	Did the organization operate one or more hospital facilities during the year? If 'Yes,' Form 990 must be completed instead of Form 990-EZ		X
<b>c</b>	Did the organization receive any payments for indoor tanning services during the year?		X
<b>d</b>	If 'Yes' to line 44c, has the organization filed a Form 720 to report these payments? If 'No,' provide an explanation in Schedule O		
<b>45 a</b>	Did the organization have a controlled entity of the organization within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)?		X
<b>b</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,' Form 990 and Schedule R may need to be completed instead of Form 990-EZ (see instructions)		X

- 46 Did the organization engage, directly or indirectly, in political campaign activities on behalf of or in opposition to candidates for public office? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule C, Part I

	Yes	No
46		X

**Part VI Section 501(c)(3) organizations only**

All section 501(c)(3) organizations must answer questions 47-49b and 52, and complete the tables for lines 50 and 51.

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

- 47 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

	Yes	No
47		
48		
49a		
49b		

- 48 Is the organization a school as described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule E

- 49a Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization?

b If 'Yes,' was the related organization a section 527 organization?

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

(a) Name and title of each employee paid more than \$100,000	(b) Average hours per week devoted to position	(c) Reportable compensation (Forms W-2/1099-MISC)	(d) Health benefits, contributions to employee benefit plans, and deferred compensation	(e) Estimated amount of other compensation

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

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



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

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

- 52 Did the organization complete Schedule A? **Note:** All section 501(c)(3) organizations and 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts must attach a completed Schedule A

☐ Yes ☐ No

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

<b>Sign Here</b>	Signature of officer 		Date <u>5-18-13</u>		
	Type or print name and title <u>Chris Schilkan - Executive Director</u>				
<b>Paid Preparer Use Only</b>	Print/Type preparer's name	Preparer's signature 	Date <u>5-12-13</u>	Check <input type="checkbox"/> if self-employed	PTIN <u>P00166571</u>
	Firm's name ▶	<u>BRITSCH &amp; ASSOCIATES, PC</u>		Firm's EIN ▶ <u>20-1746221</u>	
	Firm's address ▶	<u>415 6TH AVE NE</u>		Phone no <u>(701) 662-8724</u>	
	<u>DEVILS LAKE ND 58301-2513</u>				

May the IRS discuss this return with the preparer shown above? See instructions

☒ Yes ☐ No

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

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

▶ **Attach to Form 990 or 990-EZ.**

OMB No 1545-0047

2012

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Name of the organization

Employer identification number

Forward Devils Lake Corporation

45-0443068

**BAA** For Paperwork Reduction Act Notice, see the Instructions for Form 990 or 990-EZ.

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Schedule O (Form 990 or 990-EZ) 2012

Form **4562**Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service (99)**Depreciation and Amortization**  
(Including Information on Listed Property)

OMB No 1545-0172

**2012**Attachment  
Sequence No **179**

Name(s) shown on return

Identifying number

**Forward Devils Lake Corporation****45-0443068**

Business or activity to which this form relates

Form 990 / Form 990EZ

**Part I Election To Expense Certain Property Under Section 179****Note:** If you have any listed property, complete Part V before you complete Part I

1	Maximum amount (see instructions)	1	
2	Total cost of section 179 property placed in service (see instructions)	2	
3	Threshold cost of section 179 property before reduction in limitation (see instructions)	3	
4	Reduction in limitation Subtract line 3 from line 2. If zero or less, enter -0-	4	
5	Dollar limitation for tax year Subtract line 4 from line 1. If zero or less, enter -0-. If married filing separately, see instructions	5	
6	(a) Description of property	(b) Cost (business use only)	(c) Elected cost
7	Listed property Enter the amount from line 29	7	
8	Total elected cost of section 179 property Add amounts in column (c), lines 6 and 7	8	
9	Tentative deduction Enter the <b>smaller</b> of line 5 or line 8	9	
10	Carryover of disallowed deduction from line 13 of your 2011 Form 4562	10	
11	Business income limitation Enter the smaller of business income (not less than zero) or line 5 (see instrs)	11	
12	Section 179 expense deduction Add lines 9 and 10, but do not enter more than line 11	12	
13	Carryover of disallowed deduction to 2013 Add lines 9 and 10, less line 12	13	

**Note:** Do not use Part II or Part III below for listed property. Instead, use Part V**Part II Special Depreciation Allowance and Other Depreciation (Do not include listed property) (See instructions)**

14	Special depreciation allowance for qualified property (other than listed property) placed in service during the tax year (see instructions)	14	
15	Property subject to section 168(f)(1) election	15	
16	Other depreciation (including ACRS)	16	0.

**Part III MACRS Depreciation (Do not include listed property) (See instructions)****Section A**

17	MACRS deductions for assets placed in service in tax years beginning before 2012	17	1,775.
18	If you are electing to group any assets placed in service during the tax year into one or more general asset accounts, check here <input type="checkbox"/>		

**Section B - Assets Placed in Service During 2012 Tax Year Using the General Depreciation System**

(a) Classification of property	(b) Month and year placed in service	(c) Basis for depreciation (business/investment use only - see instructions)	(d) Recovery period	(e) Convention	(f) Method	(g) Depreciation deduction
19 a 3-year property						
b 5-year property						
c 7-year property						
d 10-year property						
e 15-year property						
f 20-year property						
g 25-year property			25 yrs		S/L	
h Residential rental property			27.5 yrs	MM	S/L	
i Nonresidential real property			39 yrs	MM	S/L	

**Section C - Assets Placed in Service During 2012 Tax Year Using the Alternative Depreciation System**

20 a Class life					S/L	
b 12-year			12 yrs		S/L	
c 40-year			40 yrs	MM	S/L	

**Part IV Summary (See instructions)**

21	Listed property Enter amount from line 28	21	
22	Total. Add amounts from line 12, lines 14 through 17, lines 19 and 20 in column (g), and line 21. Enter here and on the appropriate lines of your return. Partnerships and S corporations - see instructions	22	1,775.
23	For assets shown above and placed in service during the current year, enter the portion of the basis attributable to section 263A costs	23	

**Part V Listed Property** (Include automobiles, certain other vehicles, certain computers, and property used for entertainment, recreation, or amusement.)

**Note:** For any vehicle for which you are using the standard mileage rate or deducting lease expense, complete only 24a, 24b, columns (a) through (c) of Section A, all of Section B, and Section C if applicable.

**Section A – Depreciation and Other Information** (Caution: See the instructions for limits for passenger automobiles.)

24 a Do you have evidence to support the business/investment use claimed? ☒ Yes ☐ No 24b If 'Yes,' is the evidence written? ☒ Yes ☐ No

(a) Type of property (list vehicles first)	(b) Date placed in service	(c) Business/ investment use percentage	(d) Cost or other basis	(e) Basis for depreciation (business/investment use only)	(f) Recovery period	(g) Method/ Convention	(h) Depreciation deduction	(i) Elected section 179 cost
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25 Special depreciation allowance for qualified listed property placed in service during the tax year and used more than 50% in a qualified business use (see instructions) 25

26 Property used more than 50% in a qualified business use:


27 Property used 50% or less in a qualified business use:


28 Add amounts in column (h), lines 25 through 27. Enter here and on line 21, page 1 28

29 Add amounts in column (i), line 26. Enter here and on line 7, page 1 29

**Section B – Information on Use of Vehicles**

Complete this section for vehicles used by a sole proprietor, partner, or other 'more than 5% owner,' or related person. If you provided vehicles to your employees, first answer the questions in Section C to see if you meet an exception to completing this section for those vehicles.

30	Total business/investment miles driven during the year (do not include commuting miles)	(a) Vehicle 1		(b) Vehicle 2		(c) Vehicle 3		(d) Vehicle 4		(e) Vehicle 5		(f) Vehicle 6	
31	Total commuting miles driven during the year												
32	Total other personal (noncommuting) miles driven												
33	Total miles driven during the year Add lines 30 through 32												
		Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
34	Was the vehicle available for personal use during off-duty hours?												
35	Was the vehicle used primarily by a more than 5% owner or related person?												
36	Is another vehicle available for personal use?												

**Section C – Questions for Employers Who Provide Vehicles for Use by Their Employees**

Answer these questions to determine if you meet an exception to completing Section B for vehicles used by employees who are not more than 5% owners or related persons (see instructions).

37	Do you maintain a written policy statement that prohibits all personal use of vehicles, including commuting, by your employees?	Yes	No
38	Do you maintain a written policy statement that prohibits personal use of vehicles, except commuting, by your employees? See the instructions for vehicles used by corporate officers, directors, or 1% or more owners.		
39	Do you treat all use of vehicles by employees as personal use?		
40	Do you provide more than five vehicles to your employees, obtain information from your employees about the use of the vehicles, and retain the information received?		
41	Do you meet the requirements concerning qualified automobile demonstration use? (See instructions.)		

**Note:** If your answer to 37, 38, 39, 40, or 41 is 'Yes,' do not complete Section B for the covered vehicles.

**Part VI Amortization**

(a) Description of costs	(b) Date amortization begins	(c) Amortizable amount	(d) Code section	(e) Amortization period or percentage	(f) Amortization for this year
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42 Amortization of costs that begins during your 2012 tax year (see instructions)


43 Amortization of costs that began before your 2012 tax year 43

44 Total. Add amounts in column (f). See the instructions for where to report 44



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Schedule O (Form 990 or 990-EZ), Supplemental Information to Form 990 or 990-EZ  
**Form 990-EZ, Part I, Line 8 Other Revenue**

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Other revenue (describe in Schedule O)

Other Income 300.

Total 300.

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Schedule O (Form 990 or 990-EZ), Supplemental Information to Form 990 or 990-EZ  
**Form 990-EZ, Part I, Line 16 Other Expenses**

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Other expenses (describe in Schedule O)

Marketing 15,119.

Dues & Subscriptions 1,313.

Travel, Meetings & Mileage 5,182.

Insurance 1,508.

Grant Writing 1,295.

Other Expenses 165.

Young Professional Activities 5,283.

Down Stream Acceptance Program 4,802.

Train ND Program 7,500.

Housing Study 3,000.

Depreciation 1,775.

Total 46,942.

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Schedule O (Form 990 or 990-EZ), Supplemental Information to Form 990 or 990-EZ  
**Form 990-EZ, Page 1, Part II, Line 24**

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Line 24 - Other Assets:	Beginning of Year	End of Year
Equipment (net of Depreciation)	5,270.	3,496.
Notes Receivable	27,973.	26,606.
Total	<u>33,243.</u>	<u>30,102.</u>