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Form **990-EZ**
 Department of the Treasury
 Internal Revenue Service

Short Form
Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax
 Under section 501(c), 527, or 4947(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code
 (except black lung benefit trust or private foundation)
 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 01-01-2012, and ending 12-31-2012

B Check if applicable: <input type="checkbox"/> Address change <input type="checkbox"/> Name change <input type="checkbox"/> Initial return <input type="checkbox"/> Terminated <input type="checkbox"/> Amended return <input type="checkbox"/> Application pending	C Name of organization RED RIVER VALLEY ASSOCIATION	D Employer identification number 72-0360834
	Number and street (or P O box, if mail is not delivered to street address) Room/suite PO BOX 709	E Telephone number (318) 221-5233
	City or town, state or country, and ZIP + 4 SHREVEPORT, LA 711620709	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)(4) (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. **\$ 155,826**

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

Revenue	1 Contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts received	1	
	2 Program service revenue including government fees and contracts	2	66,245
	3 Membership dues and assessments	3	89,410
	4 Investment income	4	32
	5a Gross amount from sale of assets other than inventory	5a	
	b Less cost or other basis and sales expenses	5b	
	c Gain or (loss) from sale of assets other than inventory (Subtract line 5b from line 5a)	5c	
	6 Gaming and fundraising events		
	a Gross income from gaming (attach Schedule G if greater than \$15,000)	6a	
	b Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ _____ of contributions from fundraising events reported on line 1) (attach Schedule G if the sum of such gross income and contributions exceeds \$15,000)	6b	
c Less direct expenses from gaming and fundraising events	6c		
d Net income or (loss) from gaming and fundraising events (add lines 6a and 6b and subtract line 6c)	6d		
7a Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances	7a		
b Less cost of goods sold	7b		
c Gross profit or (loss) from sales of inventory (Subtract line 7b from line 7a)	7c		
8 Other revenue (describe in Schedule O)	8	139	
9 Total revenue. Add lines 1, 2, 3, 4, 5c, 6d, 7c, and 8	9	155,826	
Expenses	10 Grants and similar amounts paid (list in Schedule O)	10	
	11 Benefits paid to or for members	11	
	12 Salaries, other compensation, and employee benefits	12	100,000
	13 Professional fees and other payments to independent contractors	13	630
	14 Occupancy, rent, utilities, and maintenance	14	3,600
	15 Printing, publications, postage, and shipping	15	1,269
	16 Other expenses (describe in Schedule O)	16	61,242
17 Total expenses. Add lines 10 through 16	17	166,741	
Net Assets	18 Excess or (deficit) for the year (Subtract line 17 from line 9)	18	-10,915
	19 Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (from line 27, column (A)) (must agree with end-of-year figure reported on prior year's return)	19	28,081
	20 Other changes in net assets or fund balances (explain in Schedule O)	20	0
	21 Net assets or fund balances at end of year. Combine lines 18 through 20	21	17,166

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

	(A) Beginning of year	(B) End of year
22 Cash, savings, and investments	28,081	22 17,166
23 Land and buildings		23
24 Other assets (describe in Schedule O)		24
25 Total assets	28,081	25 17,166
26 Total liabilities (describe in Schedule O)	0	26 0
27 Net assets or fund balances (line 27 of column (B) must agree with line 21)	28,081	27 17,166

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

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

What is the organization's primary exempt purpose?
 TO PROMOTE, ENCOURAGE, AND ASSIST IN THE CONSERVATION, NAVIGATION, AND DEVELOPMENT OF THE RED RIVER VALLEY AND ITS TRIBUTARY STREAMS

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 TO PROMOTE, ENCOURAGE, AND ASSIST IN THE CONSERVATION, NAVIGATION, AND DEVELOPMENT OF THE RED RIVER VALLEY AND ITS TRIBUTARY STREAMS (Grants \$ 0) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here <input type="checkbox"/>	28a	119,086
29 (Grants \$) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here <input type="checkbox"/>	29a	
30 (Grants \$) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here <input type="checkbox"/>	30a	
31 Other program services (describe in Schedule O) (Grants \$) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here <input type="checkbox"/>	31a	
32 Total program service expenses (add lines 28a through 31a) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	32	119,086

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

(a) Name and title	(b) Average hours per week devoted to position	(c) Reportable compensation (Forms W-2/1099-MISC) (if not paid, enter -0-)	(d) Health benefits, contributions to employee benefit plans, and deferred compensation	(e) Estimated amount of other compensation
See Additional Data Table				

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

33 Did the organization engage in any significant activity not previously reported to the IRS? If "Yes," provide a detailed description of each activity in Schedule O
34 Were any significant changes made to the organizing or governing documents? If "Yes," attach a conformed copy of the amended documents if they reflect a change to the organization's name
35a 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)?
35b If "Yes," to line 35a, has the organization filed a Form 990-T for the year? If "No," provide an explanation in Schedule O
35c 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
36 Did the organization undergo a liquidation, dissolution, termination, or significant disposition of net assets during the year? If "Yes," complete applicable parts of Schedule N
37a Enter amount of political expenditures, direct or indirect, as described in the instructions
37b Did the organization file Form 1120-POL for this year?
38a Did the organization borrow from, or make any loans to, any officer, director, trustee, or key employee or were any such loans made in a prior year and still outstanding at the end of the tax year covered by this return?
38b If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part II and enter the total amount involved
39 Section 501(c)(7) organizations Enter
39a Initiation fees and capital contributions included on line 9
39b Gross receipts, included on line 9, for public use of club facilities
40a Section 501(c)(3) organizations Enter amount of tax imposed on the organization during the year under section 4911, section 4912, section 4955
40b 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
40c 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
40d Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations Enter amount of tax on line 40c reimbursed by the organization
40e 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
41 List the states with which a copy of this return is filed
42a The organization's books are in care of RED RIVER VALLEY ASSOCIATION Telephone no (318) 221-5233 Located at PO BOX 709 SHREVEPORT, LA ZIP + 4 711620729
42b 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
42c At any time during the calendar year, did the organization maintain an office outside the U S ? If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country
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
44a Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds during the year? If "Yes," Form 990 must be completed instead of Form 990-EZ
44b Did the organization operate one or more hospital facilities during the year? If "Yes," Form 990 must be completed instead of Form 990-EZ
44c Did the organization receive any payments for indoor tanning services during the year?
44d If "Yes," to line 44c, has the organization filed a Form 720 to report these payments? If "No," provide an explanation in Schedule O
45a Did the organization have a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)?
45b 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)

Yes No

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

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

Yes No

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

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"

Table with 5 columns: (a) Name and title of each employee paid more than \$100,000; (b) Average hours per week devoted to position; (c) Reportable compensation; (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"

Table with 3 columns: (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

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 (RICHARD BRONTOLI EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR) and Date (2013-04-26)

Paid Preparer Use Only: Preparer's name (GERALD W HEDGCOCK JR), Date, Firm's name (HEARD MCELROY & VESTAL LLC), Firm's address (333 TEXAS STREET SUITE 1525 SHREVEPORT, LA 71101), Firm's EIN (72-0398470), Phone no (318) 429-1525

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

Additional Data

Software ID:
Software Version:
EIN: 72-0360834
Name: RED RIVER VALLEY ASSOCIATION

Form 990EZ, Part IV - List of Officers, Directors, Trustees, and Key Employees

(a) Name and title	(b) Average hours per week devoted to position	(c) Reportable compensation (Forms W-2/1099-MISC) (if not paid, enter -0-)	(d) Health benefits, contributions to employee benefit plans, and deferred compensation	(e) Estimated amount of other compensation
RICHARD BRONTOLI EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR	40 00	72,000	0	0
PHIL ALFORD VICE PRESIDENT	1 00	0	0	0
RANDY BOBO DIRECTOR	1 00	0	0	0
GAYTHER CRANK DIRECTOR	1 00	0	0	0
WAYNE DOWD DIRECTOR	1 00	0	0	0
DWAYNE RAPER DIRECTOR	1 00	0	0	0
DAN YORK PRESIDENT	1 00	0	0	0
WARREN PLYLER DIRECTOR	1 00	0	0	0
JERRY BOUGHTON VICE PRESIDENT	1 00	0	0	0
MARC DUPUY DIRECTOR	1 00	0	0	0
KEN GUIDRY DIRECTOR	1 00	0	0	0
DAN LOGAN DIRECTOR	1 00	0	0	0

SCHEDULE O
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

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Supplemental Information to Form 990 or 990-EZ

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

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RED RIVER VALLEY ASSOCIATION

Employer identification number

72-0360834

Identifier	Return Reference	Explanation
OTHER INVESTMENT INCOME	FORM 990-EZ, PART I, LINE 4	INTEREST INCOME 32
OTHER REVENUE	FORM 990-EZ, PART I, LINE 8	DESCRIPTION OTHER INCOME AMOUNT 139
OTHER EXPENSES	FORM 990-EZ, PART I, LINE 16	DESCRIPTION CONVENTION EXPENSES AMOUNT 26,783 DESCRIPTION CONFERENCE FEES AMOUNT 5,986 DESCRIPTION DUES AMOUNT 1,200 DESCRIPTION INSURANCE AMOUNT 1,777 DESCRIPTION MEALS/BOARD DINNERS AMOUNT 3,356 DESCRIPTION NAVIGATION CHARTS AMOUNT 4 DESCRIPTION OFFICE EXPENSES AMOUNT 1,539 DESCRIPTION PAYROLL TAXES AMOUNT 7,777 DESCRIPTION TELEPHONE AMOUNT 1,389 DESCRIPTION TRAVEL AMOUNT 3,105 DESCRIPTION AUTO MILEAGE REIMBURSEMENT AMOUNT 8,297 DESCRIPTION MISCELLANEOUS AMOUNT 29 TOTAL TO FORM 990-EZ, LINE 16 61,242

TY 2012 Transfers Personal Benefits Contracts Declaration

Name: RED RIVER VALLEY ASSOCIATION

EIN: 72-0360834

Declaration: THE ORGANIZATION DID NOT, DURING THE YEAR, RECEIVE ANY FUNDS, DIRECTLY,OR INDIRECTLY, TO PAY PREMIUMS ON A PERSONAL BENEFIT CONTRACT.THE ORGANIZATION, DID NOT, DURING THE YEAR, PAY ANY PREMIUMS, DIRECTLY,OR INDIRECTLY, ON A PERSONAL BENEFIT CONTRACT.