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

**Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax**  
**Under section 501(c), 527, or 4947(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code (except private foundations)**  
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OMB No 1545-0047  
**2013**  
**Open to Public Inspection**

**A For the 2013 calendar year, or tax year beginning 01-01-2013, 2013, and ending 12-31-2013**

<b>B</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	<b>C</b> Name of organization ADVANCE ILLINOIS NFP Doing Business As Number and street (or P O box if mail is not delivered to street address) Room/suite 50 East Washington Street City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code Chicago, IL 60602 <b>F</b> Name and address of principal officer ROBIN STEANS 50 East Washington Street Chicago, IL 60602	<b>D</b> Employer identification number 26-2052733 <b>E</b> Telephone number (312) 235-4531 <b>G</b> Gross receipts \$ 2,219,848 <b>H(a)</b> Is this a group return for subordinates? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <b>H(b)</b> Are all subordinates included? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If "No," attach a list (see instructions) <b>H(c)</b> Group exemption number
<b>I</b> Tax-exempt status <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 501(c)(3) <input type="checkbox"/> 501(c) ( ) (insert no ) <input type="checkbox"/> 4947(a)(1) or <input type="checkbox"/> 527		
<b>J</b> Website: WWW.ADVANCEILLINOIS.ORG		
<b>K</b> Form of organization <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Corporation <input type="checkbox"/> Trust <input type="checkbox"/> Association <input type="checkbox"/> Other		<b>L</b> Year of formation 2008 <b>M</b> State of legal domicile IL

**Part I Summary**

<b>1</b>	Briefly describe the organization's mission or most significant activities ADVANCE ILLINOIS' MISSION IS TO BE AN INDEPENDENT, OBJECTIVE VOICE TO PROMOTE A PUBLIC EDUCATION SYSTEM IN ILLINOIS THAT PREPARES ALL STUDENTS TO BE READY FOR WORK, COLLEGE, AND DEMOCRATIC CITIZENSHIP			
<b>2</b>	Check this box <input type="checkbox"/> if the organization discontinued its operations or disposed of more than 25% of its net assets			
<b>3</b>	Number of voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1a)	<b>3</b>		17
<b>4</b>	Number of independent voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1b)	<b>4</b>		17
<b>5</b>	Total number of individuals employed in calendar year 2013 (Part V, line 2a)	<b>5</b>		14
<b>6</b>	Total number of volunteers (estimate if necessary)	<b>6</b>		19
<b>7a</b>	Total unrelated business revenue from Part VIII, column (C), line 12	<b>7a</b>		0
<b>b</b>	Net unrelated business taxable income from Form 990-T, line 34	<b>7b</b>		0
<b>Revenue</b>	<b>8</b> Contributions and grants (Part VIII, line 1h)	<b>Prior Year</b>		<b>Current Year</b>
	<b>9</b> Program service revenue (Part VIII, line 2g)	1,173,025		2,219,125
	<b>10</b> Investment income (Part VIII, column (A), lines 3, 4, and 7d)	0		0
	<b>11</b> Other revenue (Part VIII, column (A), lines 5, 6d, 8c, 9c, 10c, and 11e)	2,057		723
	<b>12</b> Total revenue—add lines 8 through 11 (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	0		0
		1,175,082		2,219,848
<b>Expenses</b>	<b>13</b> Grants and similar amounts paid (Part IX, column (A), lines 1–3)	0		0
	<b>14</b> Benefits paid to or for members (Part IX, column (A), line 4)	0		0
	<b>15</b> Salaries, other compensation, employee benefits (Part IX, column (A), lines 5–10)	992,779		1,236,340
	<b>16a</b> Professional fundraising fees (Part IX, column (A), line 11e)	0		0
	<b>b</b> Total fundraising expenses (Part IX, column (D), line 25) <b>72,586</b>			
	<b>17</b> Other expenses (Part IX, column (A), lines 11a–11d, 11f–24e)	652,702		518,422
<b>18</b> Total expenses Add lines 13–17 (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	1,645,481		1,754,762	
<b>19</b> Revenue less expenses Subtract line 18 from line 12	-470,399		465,086	
<b>Net Assets or Fund Balances</b>		<b>Beginning of Current Year</b>		<b>End of Year</b>
	<b>20</b> Total assets (Part X, line 16)	1,414,683		1,860,328
	<b>21</b> Total liabilities (Part X, line 26)	60,597		41,156
<b>22</b> Net assets or fund balances Subtract line 21 from line 20	1,354,086		1,819,172	

**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.

<b>Sign Here</b>	***** Signature of officer	2014-08-25 Date			
	ROBIN STEANS EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR Type or print name and title				
<b>Paid Preparer Use Only</b>	Print/Type preparer's name John Woodhull	Preparer's signature	Date	Check <input type="checkbox"/> if self-employed	PTIN P01305268
	Firm's name <b>CROWE HORWATH LLP</b>			Firm's EIN	
	Firm's address <b>70 WEST MADISON STREET SUITE 700 CHICAGO, IL 606024903</b>			Phone no (312) 899-7000	
May the IRS discuss this return with the preparer shown above? (see instructions) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No					

**Part III Statement of Program Service Accomplishments**

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part III

**1** Briefly describe the organization's mission

ADVANCE ILLINOIS' MISSION IS TO BE AN INDEPENDENT, OBJECTIVE VOICE TO PROMOTE A PUBLIC EDUCATION SYSTEM IN ILLINOIS THAT PREPARES ALL STUDENTS TO BE READY FOR WORK, COLLEGE, AND DEMOCRATIC CITIZENSHIP ADVANCE ILLINOIS DEVELOPED AND LAUNCHED A LONG-TERM, STUDENT-FOCUSED VISION OF EDUCATIONAL REFORM WE INFUSE THE DIALOGUE ON WHAT NEEDS TO BE DONE WITH OBJECTIVE INFORMATION, FIND STATEWIDE COMMON GROUND, AND BUILD PUBLIC WILL AND CIVIC ACTION FOR MEANINGFUL CHANGE

**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 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 \$ 686,661 including grants of \$ ) (Revenue \$ )

POLICY OUTREACH & COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT ADVANCE ILLINOIS IS A KEY THOUGHT LEADER AND PARTNER IN THE PUBLIC DISCOURSE AROUND EDUCATION REFORM, AND ACTIVELY ENGAGES WITH STATE LEGISLATORS, EDUCATION STAKEHOLDERS, BUSINESS LEADERS, AND THE PUBLIC TO PUSH FOR MEANINGFUL ACTION TO STRENGTHEN PUBLIC EDUCATION AND IMPROVE STUDENT PERFORMANCE ADVANCE ILLINOIS WORKS WITH LOCAL AND NATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS, EDUCATION RESEARCHERS, THE STATE'S EDUCATION AGENCIES (ILLINOIS STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION, ILLINOIS BOARD OF HIGHER EDUCATION, AND THE ILLINOIS COMMUNITY COLLEGE BOARD), THE STATE'S EXECUTIVE BRANCH, THE STATE'S P-20 COUNCIL, THE STATE'S GENERAL ASSEMBLY AND VARIOUS LEGISLATIVE WORK GROUPS ADVANCE ILLINOIS CONDUCTS OUTREACH WITH COMMUNITY GROUPS, EDUCATIONS STAKEHOLDER GROUPS, SUCH AS TEACHER UNIONS AND MANAGEMENT GROUPS, THE MEDIA, AND THE GENERAL PUBLIC THROUGH ONGOING PARTNERSHIPS AND COLLABORATION, ADVANCE ILLINOIS SHAPES AND PROMOTES A THOUGHTFULLY-RESEARCHED, BIRTH-TO-POSTSECONDARY EDUCATION POLICY FRAMEWORK IN FIVE INTERCONNECTED AREAS, WHICH TOGETHER CREATE A HEALTHY PUBLIC EDUCATION SYSTEM THESE FIVE POLICY AREAS ARE (1) SET CLEAR GOALS AND HIGH STANDARDS FOR STUDENTS AND THEIR EDUCATORS, (2) ATTRACT AND RETAIN THE BEST TEACHERS AND LEADERS, (3) PROVIDE ADEQUATE RESOURCES AND THE FLEXIBILITY FOR SCHOOLS AND DISTRICTS, (4) ENGAGE COMMUNITIES AND FAMILIES TO SUPPORT STUDENTS, AND (5) HOLD ALL ACCOUNTABLE FOR RESULTS

**4b** (Code ) (Expenses \$ 505,231 including grants of \$ ) (Revenue \$ )

RESEARCH & POLICY DEVELOPMENT ADVANCE ILLINOIS CONDUCTS SECONDARY RESEARCH INTO EDUCATION AND EDUCATION REFORM FOR THE PURPOSE OF DEVELOPING A POLICY AGENDA WHICH WILL STRENGTHEN TEACHER AND PRINCIPAL CERTIFICATION, PREPARATION, AND EVALUATION, BUILD CUTTING-EDGE DATA SYSTEMS, SUPPORT THE ENACTMENT OF COMMON CORE STATE STANDARDS AND ALIGNED ASSESSMENTS, TEST AND DISSEMINATE STRATEGIES FOR HOW BEST TO INTERVENE IN STRUGGLING SCHOOLS AND DISTRICTS, CRAFT A COMPREHENSIVE ASSESSMENT STRATEGY FOR THE STATE, AND BUILD THE STATE'S LONG-TERM CAPACITY TO DRIVE AND IMPLEMENT ITS AMBITIOUS AND FAR-REACHING EDUCATION REFORM PLANS RECENT EXAMPLES INCLUDE ANALYSIS OF ILLINOIS K-12 SCHOOL FUNDING, RESEARCH AROUND KINDERGARTEN AND POSTSECONDARY WORKFORCE READINESS, AND A STUDY OF LARGE-SCALE ASSESSMENTS IN ILLINOIS ADVANCE ILLINOIS ALSO CONDUCTED FOCUS GROUPS AND GATHER USER FEEDBACK TO GUIDE THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE STATE'S NEW EREPORT CARD SITE (WWW.ILLINOISREPORTCARD.COM)

**4c** (Code ) (Expenses \$ 246,227 including grants of \$ ) (Revenue \$ )

PUBLICATIONS & COMMUNICATIONS ADVANCE ILLINOIS DEVELOPS AND COMMISSIONS REPORTS TO SPOTLIGHT AREAS OF INTEREST FOR EDUCATION REFORM IN ILLINOIS IN 2013, ADVANCE ILLINOIS PRODUCED THE FOLLOWING PUBLICATIONS FUNDING EXPECTATIONS (RELEASED MARCH 2013) EXPLAINS THE SHORTFALLS OF THE CURRENT EDUCATION FUNDING SYSTEM, AND MAKING ASSESSMENTS WORK (RELEASED JANUARY 2014) OUTLINES WHAT STRONG ASSESSMENT LOOKS LIKE AND LAYS OUT THE DECISIONS THAT WILL NEED TO BE MADE AROUND ASSESSMENTS IN THE COMING YEARS IN ILLINOIS ADVANCE ILLINOIS CONTINUES TO STAFF AND DEVELOP RESOURCES FOR THE COMMON CORE INFORMATIONAL CAMPAIGN, REAL LEARNING FOR REAL LIFE (WWW.COMMONCOREIL.ORG), A SPANISH-LANGUAGE WEBSITE (WWW.COMMONCOREIL.ORG/ESPAÑOL) WAS ALSO DEVELOPED IN 2013 ALL PUBLICATIONS ARE AVAILABLE FOR DOWNLOAD ON ADVANCE ILLINOIS WEBSITE (WWW.ADVANCEILLINOIS.ORG)

**4d** Other program services (Describe in Schedule O )  
(Expenses \$ including grants of \$ ) (Revenue \$ )

**4e Total program service expenses** 1,438,119

**Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules**

	Yes	No
<b>1</b> Is the organization described in section 501(c)(3) or 4947(a)(1) (other than a private foundation)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule A</i> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Yes	
<b>2</b> Is the organization required to complete <i>Schedule B, Schedule of Contributors</i> (see instructions)? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Yes	
<b>3</b> Did the organization engage in direct or indirect political campaign activities on behalf of or in opposition to candidates for public office? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part I</i>		No
<b>4 Section 501(c)(3) organizations.</b> Did the organization engage in lobbying activities, or have a section 501(h) election in effect during the tax year? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part II</i> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Yes	
<b>5</b> 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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part III</i>		
<b>6</b> 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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part I</i>		No
<b>7</b> Did the organization receive or hold a conservation easement, including easements to preserve open space, the environment, historic land areas, or historic structures? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part II</i>		No
<b>8</b> Did the organization maintain collections of works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part III</i>		No
<b>9</b> Did the organization report an amount in Part X, line 21 for escrow or custodial account liability, serve as a custodian for amounts not listed in Part X, or provide credit counseling, debt management, credit repair, or debt negotiation services? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part IV</i>		No
<b>10</b> Did the organization, directly or through a related organization, hold assets in temporarily restricted endowments, permanent endowments, or quasi-endowments? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part V</i>		No
<b>11</b> 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		
<b>a</b> Did the organization report an amount for land, buildings, and equipment in Part X, line 10? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VI</i> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Yes	
<b>b</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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VII</i>		No
<b>c</b> 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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VIII</i>		No
<b>d</b> 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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part IX</i>		No
<b>e</b> Did the organization report an amount for other liabilities in Part X, line 25? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X</i>		No
<b>f</b> 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)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X</i> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Yes	
<b>12a</b> Did the organization obtain separate, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Parts XI and XII</i> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Yes	
<b>b</b> Was the organization included in consolidated, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? <i>If "Yes," and if the organization answered "No" to line 12a, then completing Schedule D, Parts XI and XII is optional</i>		No
<b>13</b> Is the organization a school described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule E</i>		No
<b>14a</b> Did the organization maintain an office, employees, or agents outside of the United States?		No
<b>b</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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts I and IV</i>		No
<b>15</b> Did the organization report on Part IX, column (A), line 3, more than \$5,000 of grants or other assistance to or for any foreign organization? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts II and IV</i>		No
<b>16</b> Did the organization report on Part IX, column (A), line 3, more than \$5,000 of aggregate grants or other assistance to or for foreign individuals? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts III and IV</i>		No
<b>17</b> 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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part I (see instructions)</i>		No
<b>18</b> Did the organization report more than \$15,000 total of fundraising event gross income and contributions on Part VIII, lines 1c and 8a? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part II</i>		No
<b>19</b> Did the organization report more than \$15,000 of gross income from gaming activities on Part VIII, line 9a? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part III</i>		No
<b>20a</b> Did the organization operate one or more hospital facilities? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule H</i>		No
<b>b</b> If "Yes" to line 20a, did the organization attach a copy of its audited financial statements to this return?		

**Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules** *(continued)*

<b>21</b>	Did the organization report more than \$5,000 of grants or other assistance to any domestic organization or government on Part IX, column (A), line 1? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and II . . . . .</i>	<b>21</b>		No
<b>22</b>	Did the organization report more than \$5,000 of grants or other assistance to individuals in the United States on Part IX, column (A), line 2? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and III . . . . .</i>	<b>22</b>		No
<b>23</b>	Did the organization answer "Yes" to Part VII, Section A, line 3, 4, or 5 about compensation of the organization's current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, and highest compensated employees? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J . . . . .</i>	<b>23</b>	Yes	
<b>24a</b>	Did the organization have a tax-exempt bond issue with an outstanding principal amount of more than \$100,000 as of the last day of the year, that was issued after December 31, 2002? <i>If "Yes," answer lines 24b through 24d and complete Schedule K. If "No," go to line 25a . . . . .</i>	<b>24a</b>		No
<b>b</b>	Did the organization invest any proceeds of tax-exempt bonds beyond a temporary period exception? . . . . .	<b>24b</b>		
<b>c</b>	Did the organization maintain an escrow account other than a refunding escrow at any time during the year to defease any tax-exempt bonds? . . . . .	<b>24c</b>		
<b>d</b>	Did the organization act as an "on behalf of" issuer for bonds outstanding at any time during the year? . . . . .	<b>24d</b>		
<b>25a</b>	<b>Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations.</b> Did the organization engage in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person during the year? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I . . . . .</i>	<b>25a</b>		No
<b>b</b>	Is the organization aware that it engaged in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person in a prior year, and that the transaction has not been reported on any of the organization's prior Forms 990 or 990-EZ? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I . . . . .</i>	<b>25b</b>		No
<b>26</b>	Did the organization report any amount on Part X, line 5, 6, or 22 for receivables from or payables to any current or former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, highest compensated employees, or disqualified persons? <i>If so, complete Schedule L, Part II . . . . .</i>	<b>26</b>		No
<b>27</b>	Did the organization provide a grant or other assistance to an officer, director, trustee, key employee, substantial contributor or employee thereof, a grant selection committee member, or to a 35% controlled entity or family member of any of these persons? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part III . . . . .</i>	<b>27</b>		No
<b>28</b>	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)			
<b>a</b>	A current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV . . . . .</i>	<b>28a</b>		No
<b>b</b>	A family member of a current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV . . . . .</i>	<b>28b</b>		No
<b>c</b>	An entity of which a current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee (or a family member thereof) was an officer, director, trustee, or direct or indirect owner? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV . . . . .</i>	<b>28c</b>		No
<b>29</b>	Did the organization receive more than \$25,000 in non-cash contributions? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule M . . . . .</i>	<b>29</b>		No
<b>30</b>	Did the organization receive contributions of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets, or qualified conservation contributions? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule M . . . . .</i>	<b>30</b>		No
<b>31</b>	Did the organization liquidate, terminate, or dissolve and cease operations? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part I . . . . .</i>	<b>31</b>		No
<b>32</b>	Did the organization sell, exchange, dispose of, or transfer more than 25% of its net assets? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part II . . . . .</i>	<b>32</b>		No
<b>33</b>	Did the organization own 100% of an entity disregarded as separate from the organization under Regulations sections 301.7701-2 and 301.7701-3? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part I . . . . .</i>	<b>33</b>		No
<b>34</b>	Was the organization related to any tax-exempt or taxable entity? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part II, III, or IV, and Part V, line 1 . . . . .</i>	<b>34</b>		No
<b>35a</b>	Did the organization have a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)?	<b>35a</b>		No
<b>b</b>	If "Yes" to line 35a, did the organization receive any payment from or engage in any transaction with a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2 . . . . .</i>	<b>35b</b>		No
<b>36</b>	<b>Section 501(c)(3) organizations.</b> Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2 . . . . .</i>	<b>36</b>		No
<b>37</b>	Did the organization conduct more than 5% of its activities through an entity that is not a related organization and that is treated as a partnership for federal income tax purposes? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part VI . . . . .</i>	<b>37</b>		No
<b>38</b>	Did the organization complete Schedule O and provide explanations in Schedule O for Part VI, lines 11b and 19? <b>Note.</b> All Form 990 filers are required to complete Schedule O . . . . .	<b>38</b>	Yes	

**Part V Statements Regarding Other IRS Filings and Tax Compliance**

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part V

		Yes	No
<b>1a</b>	Enter the number reported in Box 3 of Form 1096. Enter -0- if not applicable.		
<b>1b</b>	Enter the number of Forms W-2G included in line 1a. Enter -0- if not applicable.		
<b>1c</b>	Did the organization comply with backup withholding rules for reportable payments to vendors and reportable gaming (gambling) winnings to prize winners?	Yes	
<b>2a</b>	Enter the number of employees reported on Form W-3, Transmittal of Wage and Tax Statements, filed for the calendar year ending with or within the year covered by this return.		
<b>2b</b>	If at least one is reported on line 2a, did the organization file all required federal employment tax returns? <b>Note.</b> If the sum of lines 1a and 2a is greater than 250, you may be required to e-file (see instructions).	Yes	
<b>3a</b>	Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year?		No
<b>3b</b>	If "Yes," has it filed a Form 990-T for this year? If "No" to line 3b, provide an explanation in Schedule O.		
<b>4a</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)?		No
<b>b</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.		
<b>5a</b>	Was the organization a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction at any time during the tax year?		No
<b>5b</b>	Did any taxable party notify the organization that it was or is a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction?		No
<b>5c</b>	If "Yes," to line 5a or 5b, did the organization file Form 8886-T?		
<b>6a</b>	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 as charitable contributions?		No
<b>6b</b>	If "Yes," did the organization include with every solicitation an express statement that such contributions or gifts were not tax deductible?		
<b>7</b>	<b>Organizations that may receive deductible contributions under section 170(c).</b>		
<b>a</b>	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?		No
<b>7b</b>	If "Yes," did the organization notify the donor of the value of the goods or services provided?		
<b>7c</b>	Did the organization sell, exchange, or otherwise dispose of tangible personal property for which it was required to file Form 8282?		No
<b>7d</b>	If "Yes," indicate the number of Forms 8282 filed during the year.		
<b>7e</b>	Did the organization receive any funds, directly or indirectly, to pay premiums on a personal benefit contract?		No
<b>7f</b>	Did the organization, during the year, pay premiums, directly or indirectly, on a personal benefit contract?		No
<b>7g</b>	If the organization received a contribution of qualified intellectual property, did the organization file Form 8899 as required?		
<b>7h</b>	If the organization received a contribution of cars, boats, airplanes, or other vehicles, did the organization file a Form 1098-C?		
<b>8</b>	<b>Sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds and section 509(a)(3) supporting organizations.</b> Did the supporting organization, or a donor advised fund maintained by a sponsoring organization, have excess business holdings at any time during the year?		
<b>9</b>	<b>Sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds.</b>		
<b>9a</b>	Did the organization make any taxable distributions under section 4966?		
<b>9b</b>	Did the organization make a distribution to a donor, donor advisor, or related person?		
<b>10</b>	<b>Section 501(c)(7) organizations.</b> Enter		
<b>10a</b>	Initiation fees and capital contributions included on Part VIII, line 12.		
<b>10b</b>	Gross receipts, included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, for public use of club facilities.		
<b>11</b>	<b>Section 501(c)(12) organizations.</b> Enter		
<b>11a</b>	Gross income from members or shareholders.		
<b>11b</b>	Gross income from other sources (Do not net amounts due or paid to other sources against amounts due or received from them).		
<b>12a</b>	<b>Section 4947(a)(1) non-exempt charitable trusts.</b> Is the organization filing Form 990 in lieu of Form 1041?		
<b>12b</b>	If "Yes," enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the year.		
<b>13</b>	<b>Section 501(c)(29) qualified nonprofit health insurance issuers.</b>		
<b>13a</b>	Is the organization licensed to issue qualified health plans in more than one state? <b>Note.</b> See the instructions for additional information the organization must report on Schedule O.		
<b>13b</b>	Enter the amount of reserves the organization is required to maintain by the states in which the organization is licensed to issue qualified health plans.		
<b>13c</b>	Enter the amount of reserves on hand.		
<b>14a</b>	Did the organization receive any payments for indoor tanning services during the tax year?		No
<b>14b</b>	If "Yes," has it filed a Form 720 to report these payments? If "No," provide an explanation in Schedule O.		

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 or note to any line in this Part VI . . . . . [X]

Section A. Governing Body and Management

Table with 3 columns: Question, Yes, No. Rows include: 1a Enter the number of voting members of the governing body at the end of the tax year; 1b Enter the number of voting members included in line 1a, above, who are independent; 2 Did any officer, director, trustee, or key employee have a family relationship or a business relationship with any other officer, director, trustee, or key employee?; 3 Did the organization delegate control over management duties customarily performed by or under the direct supervision of officers, directors or trustees, or key employees to a management company or other person?; 4 Did the organization make any significant changes to its governing documents since the prior Form 990 was filed?; 5 Did the organization become aware during the year of a significant diversion of the organization's assets?; 6 Did the organization have members or stockholders?; 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?; 7b Are any governance decisions of the organization reserved to (or subject to approval by) members, stockholders, or persons other than the governing body?; 8 Did the organization contemporaneously document the meetings held or written actions undertaken during the year by the following; 8a The governing body?; 8b Each committee with authority to act on behalf of the governing body?; 9 Is there any officer, director, trustee, or key employee listed in Part VII, Section A, who cannot be reached at the organization's mailing address? If "Yes," provide the names and addresses in Schedule O.

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

Table with 3 columns: Question, Yes, No. Rows include: 10a Did the organization have local chapters, branches, or affiliates?; 10b 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?; 11a Has the organization provided a complete copy of this Form 990 to all members of its governing body before filing the form?; 11b Describe in Schedule O the process, if any, used by the organization to review this Form 990; 12a Did the organization have a written conflict of interest policy? If "No," go to line 13; 12b Were officers, directors, or trustees, and key employees required to disclose annually interests that could give rise to conflicts?; 12c Did the organization regularly and consistently monitor and enforce compliance with the policy? If "Yes," describe in Schedule O how this was done; 13 Did the organization have a written whistleblower policy?; 14 Did the organization have a written document retention and destruction policy?; 15 Did the process for determining compensation of the following persons include a review and approval by independent persons, comparability data, and contemporaneous substantiation of the deliberation and decision?; 15a The organization's CEO, Executive Director, or top management official; 15b Other officers or key employees of the organization; 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?; 16b 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?

Section C. Disclosure

Table with 3 columns: Question, Yes, No. Rows include: 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; 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 during the tax year; 20 State the name, physical address, and telephone number of the person who possesses the books and records of the organization.

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

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part VII

**Section A. Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees**

**1a** Complete this table for all persons required to be listed Report compensation for the calendar year ending with or within the organization's tax year

• List all of the organization's **current** officers, directors, trustees (whether individuals or organizations), regardless of amount of compensation Enter -0- in columns (D), (E), and (F) if no compensation was paid

• List all of the organization's **current** key employees, if any See instructions for definition of "key employee "

• List the organization's five **current** highest compensated employees (other than an officer, director, trustee or key employee) who received reportable compensation (Box 5 of Form W-2 and/or Box 7 of Form 1099-MISC) of more than \$100,000 from the organization and any related organizations

• List all of the organization's **former** officers, key employees, 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 organization compensated any current officer, director, or trustee

(A) Name and Title	(B) Average hours per week (list any hours for related organizations below dotted line)	(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
		Individual trustee or director	Institutional Trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former			
(1) CHERYL WATKINS SECRETARY	1 00	X		X			2,500	0	0	
(2) EDWARD B RUST JR VICE-CHAIR	1 00	X		X			0	0	0	
(3) JOHN EDWARDSON CHAIR	1 00	X		X			0	0	0	
(4) LEW COLLENS CHAIR OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE	1 00	X		X			0	0	0	
(5) SYLVIA PUENTE TREASURER	1 00	X		X			0	0	0	
(6) CRAIG LINDVAHL DIRECTOR	1 00	X					2,673	0	0	
(7) DR TIMOTHY KNOWLES DIRECTOR	1 00	X					0	0	0	
(8) ELLEN ALBERDING DIRECTOR	1 00	X					0	0	0	
(9) GENE REINEKE DIRECTOR	1 00	X					0	0	0	
(10) JAMES C FRANZCEK JR DIRECTOR	1 00	X					0	0	0	
(11) JASON TYLER DIRECTOR	1 00	X					0	0	0	
(12) JIM EDGAR CHAIR EMERITUS	1 00	X					0	0	0	
(13) JUAN SALGADO DIRECTOR	1 00	X					0	0	0	
(14) JUDY ERWIN DIRECTOR	1 00	X					0	0	0	
(15) MARIN GJAJA DIRECTOR	1 00	X					0	0	0	
(16) MIGUEL DEL VALLE DIRECTOR	1 00	X					0	0	0	
(17) PAUL FINNEGAN DIRECTOR	1 00	X					0	0	0	

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

Table with 6 main columns: (A) Name and Title, (B) Average hours per week, (C) Position (with sub-columns for Individual trustee or director, Institutional Trustee, Officer, Key employee, Highest compensated employee, Former), (D) Reportable compensation from the organization, (E) Reportable compensation from related organizations, (F) Estimated amount of other compensation. Includes rows for Robin Steans, Benjamin Boer, and James O'Connor.

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 4

Table with 3 columns: Question number, Question text, Yes, No. Contains questions 3, 4, and 5 regarding compensation reporting.

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

Table with 3 columns: (A) Name and business address, (B) Description of services, (C) Compensation. Includes a total row for independent contractors.

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**

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part VIII

			(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	
			Total revenue	Related or exempt function revenue	Unrelated business revenue	Revenue excluded from tax under sections 512-514	
<b>Contributions, Gifts, Grants and Other Similar Amounts</b>	<b>1a</b>	Federated campaigns . . . . . <b>1a</b>					
	<b>b</b>	Membership dues . . . . . <b>1b</b>					
	<b>c</b>	Fundraising events . . . . . <b>1c</b>					
	<b>d</b>	Related organizations . . . . . <b>1d</b>					
	<b>e</b>	Government grants (contributions) <b>1e</b>					
	<b>f</b>	All other contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts not included above <b>1f</b>	2,219,125				
	<b>g</b>	Noncash contributions included in lines 1a-1f \$					
	<b>h</b>	<b>Total.</b> Add lines 1a-1f . . . . .	2,219,125				
<b>Program Service Revenue</b>	<b>2a</b>	_____ Business Code	0				
	<b>b</b>	_____	0				
	<b>c</b>	_____	0				
	<b>d</b>	_____	0				
	<b>e</b>	_____	0				
	<b>f</b>	All other program service revenue	0				
	<b>g</b>	<b>Total.</b> Add lines 2a-2f . . . . .	0				
	<b>Other Revenue</b>	<b>3</b>	Investment income (including dividends, interest, and other similar amounts) . . . . .	723			723
<b>4</b>		Income from investment of tax-exempt bond proceeds . . . . .	0				
<b>5</b>		Royalties . . . . .	0				
<b>6a</b>		Gross rents	(i) Real				
			(ii) Personal				
			<b>b</b> Less rental expenses				
			<b>c</b> Rental income or (loss)	0	0		
<b>d</b>		Net rental income or (loss) . . . . .	0				
<b>7a</b>		Gross amount from sales of assets other than inventory	(i) Securities				
			(ii) Other				
			<b>b</b> Less cost or other basis and sales expenses				
			<b>c</b> Gain or (loss)	0	0		
<b>d</b>		Net gain or (loss) . . . . .	0				
<b>8a</b>		Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ _____ of contributions reported on line 1c) See Part IV, line 18 . . . . .	<b>a</b>				
			<b>b</b> Less direct expenses . . . . . <b>b</b>				
	<b>c</b> Net income or (loss) from fundraising events . . . . .		0				
<b>9a</b>	Gross income from gaming activities See Part IV, line 19 . . . . .	<b>a</b>					
		<b>b</b> Less direct expenses . . . . . <b>b</b>					
		<b>c</b> Net income or (loss) from gaming activities . . . . .	0				
<b>10a</b>	Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances . . . . .	<b>a</b>					
		<b>b</b> Less cost of goods sold . . . . . <b>b</b>					
		<b>c</b> Net income or (loss) from sales of inventory . . . . .	0				
<b>11a</b>	Miscellaneous Revenue	_____ Business Code	0				
		_____	0				
		_____	0				
		<b>d</b> All other revenue . . . . .	0				
		<b>e</b> <b>Total.</b> Add lines 11a-11d . . . . .	0				
<b>12</b>	<b>Total revenue.</b> See Instructions . . . . .	2,219,848	0	0	723		

**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)

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part IX

<b>Do not include amounts reported on lines 6b, 7b, 8b, 9b, and 10b of Part VIII.</b>		<b>(A)</b> Total expenses	<b>(B)</b> Program service expenses	<b>(C)</b> Management and general expenses	<b>(D)</b> Fundraising expenses
<b>1</b>	Grants and other assistance to governments and organizations in the United States. See Part IV, line 21	0	0		
<b>2</b>	Grants and other assistance to individuals in the United States. See Part IV, line 22	0	0		
<b>3</b>	Grants and other assistance to governments, organizations, and individuals outside the United States. See Part IV, lines 15 and 16	0	0		
<b>4</b>	Benefits paid to or for members	0	0		
<b>5</b>	Compensation of current officers, directors, trustees, and key employees	208,760	154,044	34,366	20,350
<b>6</b>	Compensation not included above, to disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)) and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B)	0	0	0	0
<b>7</b>	Other salaries and wages	829,956	734,508	76,955	18,493
<b>8</b>	Pension plan accruals and contributions (include section 401(k) and 403(b) employer contributions)	14,648	13,833	687	128
<b>9</b>	Other employee benefits	109,778	93,965	14,050	1,763
<b>10</b>	Payroll taxes	73,198	63,364	7,582	2,252
<b>11</b>	Fees for services (non-employees)				
<b>a</b>	Management	0	0	0	0
<b>b</b>	Legal	12,527	10,063	2,464	0
<b>c</b>	Accounting	58,450	0	56,163	2,287
<b>d</b>	Lobbying	60,000	60,000	0	0
<b>e</b>	Professional fundraising services. See Part IV, line 17	0			0
<b>f</b>	Investment management fees	0	0	0	0
<b>g</b>	Other (If line 11g amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A) amount, list line 11g expenses on Schedule O)	161,844	135,423	2,308	24,113
<b>12</b>	Advertising and promotion	6,564	6,564	0	0
<b>13</b>	Office expenses	75,136	59,765	13,058	2,313
<b>14</b>	Information technology	32,286	19,946	11,453	887
<b>15</b>	Royalties	0	0	0	0
<b>16</b>	Occupancy	8,745	6,660	2,085	0
<b>17</b>	Travel	53,275	50,056	3,219	0
<b>18</b>	Payments of travel or entertainment expenses for any federal, state, or local public officials	0	0	0	0
<b>19</b>	Conferences, conventions, and meetings	39,564	29,928	9,636	0
<b>20</b>	Interest	0	0	0	0
<b>21</b>	Payments to affiliates	0	0	0	0
<b>22</b>	Depreciation, depletion, and amortization	2,180	0	2,180	0
<b>23</b>	Insurance	2,789	0	2,789	0
<b>24</b>	Other expenses. Itemize expenses not covered above (List miscellaneous expenses in line 24e. If line 24e amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A) amount, list line 24e expenses on Schedule O)				
<b>a</b>					
<b>b</b>					
<b>c</b>					
<b>d</b>					
<b>e</b>	All other expenses	5,062	0	5,062	0
<b>25</b>	<b>Total functional expenses.</b> Add lines 1 through 24e	1,754,762	1,438,119	244,057	72,586
<b>26</b>	<b>Joint costs.</b> Complete this line only if the organization reported in column (B) joint costs from a combined educational campaign and fundraising solicitation. Check here <input type="checkbox"/> if following SOP 98-2 (ASC 958-720)	0			

**Part X Balance Sheet**

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part X

		(A)		(B)
		Beginning of year		End of year
<b>Assets</b>	<b>1</b> Cash—non-interest-bearing . . . . .	386,471	<b>1</b>	323,816
	<b>2</b> Savings and temporary cash investments . . . . .	890,765	<b>2</b>	591,488
	<b>3</b> Pledges and grants receivable, net . . . . .	110,000	<b>3</b>	900,000
	<b>4</b> Accounts receivable, net . . . . .	1,258	<b>4</b>	1,307
	<b>5</b> Loans and other receivables from current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, and highest compensated employees Complete Part II of Schedule L . . . . .	0	<b>5</b>	0
	<b>6</b> Loans and other receivables from other disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)), persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B), and contributing employers and sponsoring organizations of section 501(c)(9) voluntary employees' beneficiary organizations (see instructions) Complete Part II of Schedule L . . . . .	0	<b>6</b>	0
	<b>7</b> Notes and loans receivable, net . . . . .		<b>7</b>	
	<b>8</b> Inventories for sale or use . . . . .		<b>8</b>	
	<b>9</b> Prepaid expenses and deferred charges . . . . .	19,049	<b>9</b>	20,965
	<b>10a</b> Land, buildings, and equipment cost or other basis Complete Part VI of Schedule D . . . . .	<b>10a</b> 27,574		
	<b>b</b> Less accumulated depreciation . . . . .	<b>10b</b> 4,822	7,140	<b>10c</b> 22,752
	<b>11</b> Investments—publicly traded securities . . . . .		<b>11</b>	
	<b>12</b> Investments—other securities See Part IV, line 11 . . . . .	0	<b>12</b>	0
	<b>13</b> Investments—program-related See Part IV, line 11 . . . . .	0	<b>13</b>	0
	<b>14</b> Intangible assets . . . . .		<b>14</b>	
	<b>15</b> Other assets See Part IV, line 11 . . . . .	0	<b>15</b>	0
<b>16 Total assets.</b> Add lines 1 through 15 (must equal line 34) . . . . .	1,414,683	<b>16</b>	1,860,328	
<b>Liabilities</b>	<b>17</b> Accounts payable and accrued expenses . . . . .	60,597	<b>17</b>	41,156
	<b>18</b> Grants payable . . . . .		<b>18</b>	
	<b>19</b> Deferred revenue . . . . .		<b>19</b>	
	<b>20</b> Tax-exempt bond liabilities . . . . .		<b>20</b>	
	<b>21</b> Escrow or custodial account liability Complete Part IV of Schedule D . . . . .		<b>21</b>	
	<b>22</b> Loans and other payables to current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, highest compensated employees, and disqualified persons Complete Part II of Schedule L . . . . .	0	<b>22</b>	0
	<b>23</b> Secured mortgages and notes payable to unrelated third parties . . . . .		<b>23</b>	
	<b>24</b> Unsecured notes and loans payable to unrelated third parties . . . . .		<b>24</b>	
	<b>25</b> 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 . . . . .	0	<b>25</b>	0
	<b>26 Total liabilities.</b> Add lines 17 through 25 . . . . .	60,597	<b>26</b>	41,156
<b>Net Assets or Fund Balances</b>	<b>Organizations that follow SFAS 117 (ASC 958), check here <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 27 through 29, and lines 33 and 34.</b>			
	<b>27</b> Unrestricted net assets . . . . .	644,847	<b>27</b>	748,327
	<b>28</b> Temporarily restricted net assets . . . . .	709,239	<b>28</b>	1,070,845
	<b>29</b> Permanently restricted net assets . . . . .		<b>29</b>	
	<b>Organizations that do not follow SFAS 117 (ASC 958), check here <input type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 30 through 34.</b>			
	<b>30</b> Capital stock or trust principal, or current funds . . . . .		<b>30</b>	
	<b>31</b> Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, building or equipment fund . . . . .		<b>31</b>	
	<b>32</b> Retained earnings, endowment, accumulated income, or other funds . . . . .		<b>32</b>	
	<b>33</b> Total net assets or fund balances . . . . .	1,354,086	<b>33</b>	1,819,172
<b>34</b> Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances . . . . .	1,414,683	<b>34</b>	1,860,328	

**Part XI Reconciliation of Net Assets**

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part XI

<b>1</b>	Total revenue (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	<b>1</b>	2,219,848
<b>2</b>	Total expenses (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	<b>2</b>	1,754,762
<b>3</b>	Revenue less expenses Subtract line 2 from line 1	<b>3</b>	465,086
<b>4</b>	Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (must equal Part X, line 33, column (A))	<b>4</b>	1,354,086
<b>5</b>	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	<b>5</b>	
<b>6</b>	Donated services and use of facilities	<b>6</b>	
<b>7</b>	Investment expenses	<b>7</b>	
<b>8</b>	Prior period adjustments	<b>8</b>	
<b>9</b>	Other changes in net assets or fund balances (explain in Schedule O)	<b>9</b>	0
<b>10</b>	Net assets or fund balances at end of year Combine lines 3 through 9 (must equal Part X, line 33, column (B))	<b>10</b>	1,819,172

**Part XII Financial Statements and Reporting**

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part XII

	Yes	No
<b>1</b> 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		
<b>2a</b> Were the organization's financial statements compiled or reviewed by an independent accountant? If "Yes," check a box below to indicate whether the financial statements for the year were compiled or reviewed on a separate basis, consolidated basis, or both <input type="checkbox"/> Separate basis <input type="checkbox"/> Consolidated basis <input type="checkbox"/> Both consolidated and separate basis		No
<b>2b</b> Were the organization's financial statements audited by an independent accountant? If "Yes," check a box below to indicate whether the financial statements for the year were audited 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 separate basis	Yes	
<b>2c</b> If "Yes," to line 2a or 2b, does the organization have a committee that assumes responsibility for oversight of the audit, review, or compilation of its financial statements and selection of an independent accountant? If the organization changed either its oversight process or selection process during the tax year, explain in Schedule O	Yes	
<b>3a</b> 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?		No
<b>3b</b> If "Yes," did the organization undergo the required audit or audits? If the organization did not undergo the required audit or audits, explain why in Schedule O and describe any steps taken to undergo such audits		

**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.**  
▶ **Information about Schedule A (Form 990 or 990-EZ) and its instructions is at**  
**[www.irs.gov/form990](http://www.irs.gov/form990).**

**2013**

**Open to Public Inspection**

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

**Name of the organization**  
ADVANCE ILLINOIS NFP

**Employer identification number**  
26-2052733

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

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

- 1  A church, convention of churches, or association of churches described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(i).**
- 2  A school described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii).** (Attach Schedule E )
- 3  A hospital or a cooperative hospital service organization described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii).**
- 4  A medical research organization operated in conjunction with a hospital described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii).** Enter the hospital's name, city, and state \_\_\_\_\_
- 5  An organization operated for the benefit of a college or university owned or operated by a governmental unit described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iv).** (Complete Part II )
- 6  A federal, state, or local government or governmental unit described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(v).**
- 7  An organization that normally receives a substantial part of its support from a governmental unit or from the general public described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi).** (Complete Part II )
- 8  A community trust described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi)** (Complete Part II )
- 9  An organization that normally receives (1) more than 33 1/3% of its support from contributions, membership fees, and gross receipts from activities related to its exempt functions—subject to certain exceptions, and (2) no more than 33 1/3% of its support from gross investment income and unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 tax) from businesses acquired by the organization after June 30, 1975 See **section 509(a)(2).** (Complete Part III )
- 10  An organization organized and operated exclusively to test for public safety See **section 509(a)(4).**
- 11  An organization organized and operated exclusively for the benefit of, to perform the functions of, or to carry out the purposes of one or more publicly supported organizations described in section 509(a)(1) or section 509(a)(2) See **section 509(a)(3).** Check the box that describes the type of supporting organization and complete lines 11e through 11h  
  - a  Type I b  Type II c  Type III - Functionally integrated d  Type III - Non-functionally integrated
- e  By checking this box, I certify that the organization is not controlled directly or indirectly by one or more disqualified persons other than foundation managers and other than one or more publicly supported organizations described in section 509(a)(1) or section 509(a)(2)
- f  If the organization received a written determination from the IRS that it is a Type I, Type II, or Type III supporting organization, check this box
- g Since August 17, 2006, has the organization accepted any gift or contribution from any of the following persons?  
  - (i) A person who directly or indirectly controls, either alone or together with persons described in (ii) and (iii) below, the governing body of the supported organization?
  - (ii) A family member of a person described in (i) above?
  - (iii) A 35% controlled entity of a person described in (i) or (ii) above?
- h Provide the following information about the supported organization(s)

	Yes	No
<b>11g(i)</b>		
<b>11g(ii)</b>		
<b>11g(iii)</b>		

(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 monetary support
			Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	
<b>Total</b>									

**Part II Support Schedule for Organizations Described in Sections 170(b)(1)(A)(iv) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi)**  
 (Complete only if you checked the box on line 5, 7, or 8 of Part I or if the organization failed to qualify under Part III. If the organization fails to qualify under the tests listed below, please complete Part III.)

**Section A. Public Support**

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ▶	(a) 2009	(b) 2010	(c) 2011	(d) 2012	(e) 2013	(f) Total
<b>1</b> Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received (Do not include any "unusual grants.")	249,500	448,200	1,855,125	1,173,025	2,219,125	5,944,975
<b>2</b> Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf						0
<b>3</b> The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge						0
<b>4 Total.</b> Add lines 1 through 3	249,500	448,200	1,855,125	1,173,025	2,219,125	5,944,975
<b>5</b> 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)						3,979,714
<b>6 Public support.</b> Subtract line 5 from line 4						1,965,261

**Section B. Total Support**

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ▶	(a) 2009	(b) 2010	(c) 2011	(d) 2012	(e) 2013	(f) Total
<b>7</b> Amounts from line 4	249,500	448,200	1,855,125	1,173,025	2,219,125	5,944,975
<b>8</b> Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources	8,413	6,007	2,705	2,057	723	19,905
<b>9</b> Net income from unrelated business activities, whether or not the business is regularly carried on						0
<b>10</b> Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part IV.)	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>11 Total support</b> (Add lines 7 through 10)						5,964,880
<b>12</b> Gross receipts from related activities, etc. (see instructions)					<b>12</b>	0
<b>13 First five years.</b> 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 <b>stop here</b> . . . . . <input type="checkbox"/>						

**Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage**

<b>14</b> Public support percentage for 2013 (line 6, column (f) divided by line 11, column (f))	<b>14</b>	32.940%
<b>15</b> Public support percentage for 2012 Schedule A, Part II, line 14	<b>15</b>	0%
<b>16a 33 1/3% support test—2013.</b> If the organization did not check the box on line 13, and line 14 is 33 1/3% or more, check this box and <b>stop here.</b> The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization <input type="checkbox"/>		
<b>b 33 1/3% support test—2012.</b> If the organization did not check a box on line 13 or 16a, and line 15 is 33 1/3% or more, check this box and <b>stop here.</b> The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization <input type="checkbox"/>		
<b>17a 10%-facts-and-circumstances test—2013.</b> 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 <b>stop here.</b> Explain in Part IV how the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
<b>b 10%-facts-and-circumstances test—2012.</b> 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 <b>stop here.</b> Explain in Part IV how the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization <input type="checkbox"/>		
<b>18 Private foundation.</b> If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, 16b, 17a, or 17b, check this box and see instructions <input type="checkbox"/>		

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

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

**Section A. Public Support**

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ▶	(a) 2009	(b) 2010	(c) 2011	(d) 2012	(e) 2013	(f) Total
<b>1</b> Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received (Do not include any "unusual grants.")						
<b>2</b> 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						
<b>3</b> Gross receipts from activities that are not an unrelated trade or business under section 513						
<b>4</b> Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf						
<b>5</b> The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge						
<b>6 Total.</b> Add lines 1 through 5						
<b>7a</b> Amounts included on lines 1, 2, and 3 received from disqualified persons						
<b>b</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						
<b>c</b> Add lines 7a and 7b						
<b>8 Public support</b> (Subtract line 7c from line 6 )						

**Section B. Total Support**

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ▶	(a) 2009	(b) 2010	(c) 2011	(d) 2012	(e) 2013	(f) Total
<b>9</b> Amounts from line 6						
<b>10a</b> Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources						
<b>b</b> Unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 taxes) from businesses acquired after June 30, 1975						
<b>c</b> Add lines 10a and 10b						
<b>11</b> Net income from unrelated business activities not included in line 10b, whether or not the business is regularly carried on						
<b>12</b> Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part IV.)						
<b>13 Total support.</b> (Add lines 9, 10c, 11, and 12.)						
<b>14 First five years.</b> 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 <b>stop here</b> <input type="checkbox"/>						

**Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage**

<b>15</b> Public support percentage for 2013 (line 8, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f))	<b>15</b>	
<b>16</b> Public support percentage from 2012 Schedule A, Part III, line 15	<b>16</b>	

**Section D. Computation of Investment Income Percentage**

<b>17</b> Investment income percentage for <b>2013</b> (line 10c, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f))	<b>17</b>	
<b>18</b> Investment income percentage from <b>2012</b> Schedule A, Part III, line 17	<b>18</b>	

- 19a 33 1/3% support tests—2013.** 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—2012.** 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.** Provide the explanations required by Part II, line 10; Part II, line 17a or 17b; and Part III, line 12. Also complete this part for any additional information. (See instructions).

### Facts And Circumstances Test

RESPONSES TO THE FACTS AND CIRCUMSTANCES TEST I TEN-PERCENT-OF-SUPPORT REQUIREMENT ADVANCE ILLINOIS MEETS THE TEN-PERCENT-OF-SUPPORT REQUIREMENT ADVANCE ILLINOIS' PERCENTAGE OF FINANCIAL SUPPORT FACTOR WAS 32.94% II ATTRACTION OF PUBLIC SUPPORT REQUIREMENT ADVANCE ILLINOIS' STAFF AND BOARD OF DIRECTORS (ESPECIALLY BOARD MEMBERS ON THE FINANCE, AUDIT AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE) ACTIVELY PURSUE NEW SUPPORT THROUGH A VARIETY OF METHODS (TARGETED FUNDER OUTREACH, SPECIAL EVENTS, BOARD SOLICITATIONS ETC.) ADVANCE ILLINOIS FOCUSES ON SECURING PRIVATE, CHARITABLE GRANTS AND CONTRIBUTIONS AS OPPOSED TO GOVERNMENT SUPPORT OF NOTE IN 2013, THE ORGANIZATION ATTRACTED \$250,000 IN NEW SUPPORT AS PART OF A NATIONAL FUNDERS' PROJECT, RETAINED SIGNIFICANT SUPPORT FROM MAJOR LOCAL AND NATIONAL FOUNDATIONS, SECURED 94% BOARD FINANCIAL SUPPORT, AND RAISED \$150,525 (A 9% INCREASE FROM FY 12) FROM INDIVIDUAL AND BOARD GIFTS ADVANCE ILLINOIS CONTINUES TO GROW ITS FUNDRAISING CAPACITY AND INFRASTRUCTURE IN DECEMBER 2013, THE ORGANIZATION WELCOMED ITS FIRST DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR TO EXPAND FUNDRAISING OPERATIONS ADVANCE ILLINOIS IS CURRENTLY REDESIGNING ITS WEBSITE TO LAUNCH LATER IN 2014 THE NEW WEBSITE WILL INCLUDE AN ONLINE DONATION FEATURE AND DIRECT CALLS-TO-ACTION FOR SUPPORT THROUGHOUT THE ORGANIZATION IS ALSO EXPANDING INDIVIDUAL GIVING SOLICITATIONS AND EXPLORING CORPORATE SPONSORSHIPS III FIVE PUBLIC SUPPORT FACTORS 1 PERCENTAGE OF FINANCIAL SUPPORT FACTOR 32.94% 2 SOURCES OF SUPPORT FACTOR ADVANCE ILLINOIS HAS A DIVERSE BASE OF SUPPORT FROM INDIVIDUALS, CORPORATIONS AND FOUNDATIONS 3 REPRESENTATIVE GOVERNING BODY FACTOR ADVANCE ILLINOIS WAS FOUNDED IN 2008 WITH STRONG BIPARTISAN SUPPORT FROM BUSINESS, POLITICAL, COMMUNITY AND PHILANTHROPIC LEADERS TO BE AN INDEPENDENT, OBJECTIVE VOICE PROMOTING A PUBLIC EDUCATION SYSTEM IN ILLINOIS THAT PREPARES ALL STUDENTS TO BE READY FOR WORK, COLLEGE AND DEMOCRATIC CITIZENSHIP THE 17 MEMBERS OF THE ADVANCE ILLINOIS' BOARD OF DIRECTORS-COMPRISING PROFESSIONALS FROM ACROSS THE STATE WITH A DIVERSE RANGE OF BUSINESS, COMMUNITY, EDUCATION, AND POLITICAL BACKGROUNDS-ARE DEEPLY ENGAGED IN BUILDING AND MAINTAINING A STRONG ORGANIZATION THEY HELP TO SHAPE OUR POLICY PRIORITIES, ADVANCE OUR STATEWIDE RECOGNITION AND INFLUENCE, CONNECT STAFF WITH POTENTIAL ORGANIZATIONAL PARTNERS, OVERSEE AND ENSURE OUR FINANCIAL HEALTH, AND OPEN DOORS TO NEW AND ONGOING FUNDING SOURCES 4 AVAILABILITY OF PUBLIC FACILITIES OR SERVICES FACTOR ADVANCE ILLINOIS PROVIDES A NUMBER OF SERVICES THAT BENEFIT THE GENERAL PUBLIC THEY INCLUDE, BUT ARE NOT LIMITED TO, THE FOLLOWING -- REPORTS AND PUBLICATIONS A VARIETY OF REPORTS AND PUBLICATIONS ARE MADE AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC FOR FREE DOWNLOAD ON ADVANCE ILLINOIS' WEBSITE, WWW.ADVANCEILLINOIS.ORG PRINTED PUBLICATIONS ARE WIDELY DISTRIBUTED THROUGH EVENTS AND OUTREACH -- INFORMATIONAL CAMPAIGN ADVANCE ILLINOIS MANAGES AND STAFFS THE ILLINOIS COMMON CORE INFORMATION CAMPAIGN WWW.COMMONCOREIL.ORG PROVIDES RESOURCES FOR EDUCATORS, PARENTS AND COMMUNITY MEMBERS ON THE NEW LEARNING STANDARDS AND ALIGNED-ASSESSMENTS -- EVENTS, WORKSHOPS AND PRESENTATIONS ADVANCE ILLINOIS HOSTS LARGE-SCALE EVENTS FOR VARIOUS STAKEHOLDER GROUPS 2013 EVENTS INCLUDED A LEGISLATIVE INSTITUTE IN SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS, AND AN EDUCATOR LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE IN BLOOMINGTON, ILLINOIS ADVANCE ILLINOIS STAFF DELIVERED MORE THAN 65 PRESENTATIONS TO THE PUBLIC ON CRITICAL EDUCATION ISSUES IN 2013 -- COMMUNITY OUTREACH ADVANCE ILLINOIS STAFF WORKS DIRECTLY WITH MORE THAN 15 ILLINOIS COMMUNITIES TO ADDRESS LOCAL EDUCATION CHALLENGES, INCREASE PUBLIC UNDERSTANDING OF EDUCATION POLICY AND BUILD CAPACITY FOR STAKEHOLDERS TO IMPLEMENT KEY REFORMS 5 ADDITIONAL FACTORS PERTINENT TO MEMBERSHIP ORGANIZATIONS N/A

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SCHEDULE C (Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Political Campaign and Lobbying Activities

OMB No 1545-0047

2013

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For Organizations Exempt From Income Tax Under section 501(c) and section 527
Complete if the organization is described below. Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ.
See separate instructions. Information about Schedule C (Form 990 or 990-EZ) and its instructions is at www.irs.gov/form990.

Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service

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

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

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

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

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

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

Name of the organization: ADVANCE ILLINOIS NFP
Employer identification number: 26-2052733

Part I-A Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c) or is a section 527 organization.

1 Provide a description of the organization's direct and indirect political campaign activities in Part IV
2 Political expenditures
3 Volunteer hours

Part I-B Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(3).

1 Enter the amount of any excise tax incurred by the organization under section 4955
2 Enter the amount of any excise tax incurred by organization managers under section 4955
3 If the organization incurred a section 4955 tax, did it file Form 4720 for this year?
4a Was a correction made?
b If "Yes," describe in Part IV

Part I-C Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c), except section 501(c)(3).

1 Enter the amount directly expended by the filing organization for section 527 exempt function activities
2 Enter the amount of the filing organization's funds contributed to other organizations for section 527 exempt function activities
3 Total exempt function expenditures Add lines 1 and 2 Enter here and on Form 1120-POL, line 17b
4 Did the filing organization file Form 1120-POL for this year?
5 Enter the names, addresses and employer identification number (EIN) of all section 527 political organizations to which the filing organization made payments

Table with 5 columns: (a) Name, (b) Address, (c) EIN, (d) Amount paid from filing organization's funds, (e) Amount of political contributions received and promptly and directly delivered to a separate political organization.

**Part II-A Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(3) and filed Form 5768 (election under section 501(h)).**

- A** Check  if the filing organization belongs to an affiliated group (and list in Part IV each affiliated group member's name, address, EIN, expenses, and share of excess lobbying expenditures)
- B** Check  if the filing organization checked box A and "limited control" provisions apply

<b>Limits on Lobbying Expenditures</b> (The term "expenditures" means amounts paid or incurred.)		(a) Filing organization's totals	(b) Affiliated group totals												
<b>1a</b>	Total lobbying expenditures to influence public opinion (grass roots lobbying)	0													
<b>b</b>	Total lobbying expenditures to influence a legislative body (direct lobbying)	83,295													
<b>c</b>	Total lobbying expenditures (add lines 1a and 1b)	83,295	0												
<b>d</b>	Other exempt purpose expenditures	1,354,824													
<b>e</b>	Total exempt purpose expenditures (add lines 1c and 1d)	1,438,119	0												
<b>f</b>	Lobbying nontaxable amount. Enter the amount from the following table in both columns	218,812	0												
<table border="1" style="width: 100%;"> <thead> <tr> <th style="text-align: left;">If the amount on line 1e, column (a) or (b) is:</th> <th style="text-align: left;">The lobbying nontaxable amount is:</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Not over \$500,000</td> <td>20% of the amount on line 1e</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Over \$500,000 but not over \$1,000,000</td> <td>\$100,000 plus 15% of the excess over \$500,000</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Over \$1,000,000 but not over \$1,500,000</td> <td>\$175,000 plus 10% of the excess over \$1,000,000</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Over \$1,500,000 but not over \$17,000,000</td> <td>\$225,000 plus 5% of the excess over \$1,500,000</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Over \$17,000,000</td> <td>\$1,000,000</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>		If the amount on line 1e, column (a) or (b) is:	The lobbying nontaxable amount is:	Not over \$500,000	20% of the amount on line 1e	Over \$500,000 but not over \$1,000,000	\$100,000 plus 15% of the excess over \$500,000	Over \$1,000,000 but not over \$1,500,000	\$175,000 plus 10% of the excess over \$1,000,000	Over \$1,500,000 but not over \$17,000,000	\$225,000 plus 5% of the excess over \$1,500,000	Over \$17,000,000	\$1,000,000		
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Over \$1,500,000 but not over \$17,000,000	\$225,000 plus 5% of the excess over \$1,500,000														
Over \$17,000,000	\$1,000,000														
<b>g</b>	Grassroots nontaxable amount (enter 25% of line 1f)	54,703	0												
<b>h</b>	Subtract line 1g from line 1a. If zero or less, enter -0-	0													
<b>i</b>	Subtract line 1f from line 1c. If zero or less, enter -0-	0	0												
<b>j</b>	If there is an amount other than zero on either line 1h or line 1i, did the organization file Form 4720 reporting section 4911 tax for this year?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No													

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

**Lobbying Expenditures During 4-Year Averaging Period**

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in)	(a) 2010	(b) 2011	(c) 2012	(d) 2013	(e) Total
<b>2a</b> Lobbying nontaxable amount	198,954	209,494	213,273	218,812	840,533
<b>b</b> Lobbying ceiling amount (150% of line 2a, column(e))					1,260,800
<b>c</b> Total lobbying expenditures	90,808	193,515	66,265	83,295	433,883
<b>d</b> Grassroots nontaxable amount	49,738	52,374	53,318	54,703	210,133
<b>e</b> Grassroots ceiling amount (150% of line 2d, column (e))					315,200
<b>f</b> Grassroots lobbying expenditures		0	0	0	0

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

For each "Yes" response to lines 1a through 1i below, provide in Part IV a detailed description of the lobbying activity.

	(a)		(b)
	Yes	No	Amount
<b>1</b> During the year, did the filing organization attempt to influence foreign, national, state or local legislation, including any attempt to influence public opinion on a legislative matter or referendum, through the use of			
<b>a</b> Volunteers?			
<b>b</b> Paid staff or management (include compensation in expenses reported on lines 1c through 1i)?			
<b>c</b> Media advertisements?			
<b>d</b> Mailings to members, legislators, or the public?			
<b>e</b> Publications, or published or broadcast statements?			
<b>f</b> Grants to other organizations for lobbying purposes?			
<b>g</b> Direct contact with legislators, their staffs, government officials, or a legislative body?			
<b>h</b> Rallies, demonstrations, seminars, conventions, speeches, lectures, or any similar means?			
<b>i</b> Other activities?			
<b>j</b> Total Add lines 1c through 1i			
<b>2a</b> Did the activities in line 1 cause the organization to be not described in section 501(c)(3)?			
<b>b</b> If "Yes," enter the amount of any tax incurred under section 4912			
<b>c</b> If "Yes," enter the amount of any tax incurred by organization managers under section 4912			
<b>d</b> If the filing organization incurred a section 4912 tax, did it file Form 4720 for this year?			

**Part III-A Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(4), section 501(c)(5), or section 501(c)(6).**

	Yes	No
<b>1</b> Were substantially all (90% or more) dues received nondeductible by members?	<b>1</b>	
<b>2</b> Did the organization make only in-house lobbying expenditures of \$2,000 or less?	<b>2</b>	
<b>3</b> Did the organization agree to carry over lobbying and political expenditures from the prior year?	<b>3</b>	

**Part III-B Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(4), section 501(c)(5), or section 501(c)(6) and if either (a) BOTH Part III-A, lines 1 and 2, are answered "No" OR (b) Part III-A, line 3, is answered "Yes."**

<b>1</b> Dues, assessments and similar amounts from members	<b>1</b>	
<b>2</b> Section 162(e) nondeductible lobbying and political expenditures <b>(do not include amounts of political expenses for which the section 527(f) tax was paid).</b>		
<b>a</b> Current year	<b>2a</b>	
<b>b</b> Carryover from last year	<b>2b</b>	
<b>c</b> Total	<b>2c</b>	
<b>3</b> Aggregate amount reported in section 6033(e)(1)(A) notices of nondeductible section 162(e) dues	<b>3</b>	
<b>4</b> If notices were sent and the amount on line 2c exceeds the amount on line 3, what portion of the excess does the organization agree to carryover to the reasonable estimate of nondeductible lobbying and political expenditure next year?	<b>4</b>	
<b>5</b> Taxable amount of lobbying and political expenditures (see instructions)	<b>5</b>	

**Part IV Supplemental Information**

Provide the descriptions required for Part I-A, line 1, Part I-B, line 4, Part I-C, line 5, Part II-A (affiliated group list), Part II-A, line 2, and Part II-B, line 1 Also, complete this part for any additional information

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SCHEDULE D (Form 990)

Supplemental Financial Statements

OMB No 1545-0047

2013

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Complete if the organization answered "Yes," to Form 990, Part IV, line 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11a, 11b, 11c, 11d, 11e, 11f, 12a, or 12b

Attach to Form 990. See separate instructions. Information about Schedule D (Form 990) and its instructions is at www.irs.gov/form990.

Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service

Name of the organization ADVANCE ILLINOIS NFP

Employer identification number 26-2052733

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.

Table with 3 columns: Line number, (a) Donor advised funds, (b) Funds and other accounts. Includes questions 1-6 regarding donor advised funds.

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

Form for Part II Conservation Easements, including questions 1-9 and a table for 'Held at the End of the Year' with rows 2a, 2b, 2c, 2d.

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.

Form for Part III Organizations Maintaining Collections of Art, Historical Treasures, or Other Similar Assets, including questions 1a, 1b, 2, and 2a, 2b.

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

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

- a**  Public exhibition
- b**  Scholarly research
- c**  Preservation for future generations
- d**  Loan or exchange programs
- e**  Other

**4** Provide a description of the organization's collections and explain how they further the organization's exempt purpose in Part XIII

**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 XIII and complete the following table

	Amount
<b>1c</b>	
<b>1d</b>	
<b>1e</b>	
<b>1f</b>	

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

**b** If "Yes," explain the arrangement in Part XIII. Check here if the explanation has been provided in Part XIII

**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
<b>1a</b> Beginning of year balance . . . . .					
<b>b</b> Contributions . . . . .					
<b>c</b> Net investment earnings, gains, and losses					
<b>d</b> Grants or scholarships . . . . .					
<b>e</b> Other expenditures for facilities and programs . . . . .					
<b>f</b> Administrative expenses . . . . .					
<b>g</b> End of year balance . . . . .					

**2** Provide the estimated percentage of the current year end balance (line 1g, column (a)) held as

- a** Board designated or quasi-endowment ▶
  - b** Permanent endowment ▶
  - c** Temporarily restricted endowment ▶
- The percentages in lines 2a, 2b, and 2c should equal 100%

**3a** Are there endowment funds not in the possession of the organization that are held and administered for the organization by

	Yes	No
<b>(i)</b> unrelated organizations . . . . .	<b>3a(i)</b>	
<b>(ii)</b> related organizations . . . . .	<b>3a(ii)</b>	
<b>b</b> If "Yes" to 3a(ii), are the related organizations listed as required on Schedule R? . . . . .	<b>3b</b>	

**4** Describe in Part XIII the intended uses of the organization's endowment funds

**Part VI Land, Buildings, and Equipment.** Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' to Form 990, Part IV, line 11a. 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
<b>1a</b> Land . . . . .				0
<b>b</b> Buildings . . . . .				0
<b>c</b> Leasehold improvements . . . . .				0
<b>d</b> Equipment . . . . .		27,574	4,822	22,752
<b>e</b> Other . . . . .				0
<b>Total.</b> Add lines 1a through 1e (Column (d) must equal Form 990, Part X, column (B), line 10(c).) . . . . .				22,752

**Part VII Investments—Other Securities.** Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' to Form 990, Part IV, line 11b. 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		
<b>Total.</b> (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col (B) line 12)		

**Part VIII Investments—Program Related.** Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' to Form 990, Part IV, line 11c. See Form 990, Part X, line 13.

(a) Description of investment	(b) Book value	(c) Method of valuation Cost or end-of-year market value
<b>Total.</b> (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col (B) line 13)		

**Part IX Other Assets.** Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' to Form 990, Part IV, line 11d. See Form 990, Part X, line 15

(a) Description	(b) Book value
<b>Total.</b> (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col.(B) line 15.)	

**Part X Other Liabilities.** Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' to Form 990, Part IV, line 11e or 11f. See Form 990, Part X, line 25.

1 (a) Description of liability	(b) Book value
Federal income taxes	0
<b>Total.</b> (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col (B) line 25)	0

2. Liability for uncertain tax positions In Part XIII, provide the text of the footnote to the organization's financial statements that reports the organization's liability for uncertain tax positions under FIN 48 (ASC 740) Check here if the text of the footnote has been provided in Part XIII

**Part XI Reconciliation of Revenue per Audited Financial Statements With Revenue per Return** Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' to Form 990, Part IV, line 12a.

<b>1</b>	Total revenue, gains, and other support per audited financial statements . . . . .		<b>1</b>	2,261,198
<b>2</b>	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12			
<b>a</b>	Net unrealized gains on investments . . . . .	<b>2a</b>		
<b>b</b>	Donated services and use of facilities . . . . .	<b>2b</b>	41,350	
<b>c</b>	Recoveries of prior year grants . . . . .	<b>2c</b>		
<b>d</b>	Other (Describe in Part XIII ) . . . . .	<b>2d</b>	0	
<b>e</b>	Add lines <b>2a</b> through <b>2d</b> . . . . .		<b>2e</b>	41,350
<b>3</b>	Subtract line <b>2e</b> from line <b>1</b> . . . . .		<b>3</b>	2,219,848
<b>4</b>	Amounts included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, but not on line <b>1</b>			
<b>a</b>	Investment expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b . . . . .	<b>4a</b>		
<b>b</b>	Other (Describe in Part XIII ) . . . . .	<b>4b</b>	0	
<b>c</b>	Add lines <b>4a</b> and <b>4b</b> . . . . .		<b>4c</b>	0
<b>5</b>	Total revenue Add lines <b>3</b> and <b>4c</b> . (This must equal Form 990, Part I, line 12 ) . . . . .		<b>5</b>	2,219,848

**Part XII Reconciliation of Expenses per Audited Financial Statements With Expenses per Return.** Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' to Form 990, Part IV, line 12a.

<b>1</b>	Total expenses and losses per audited financial statements . . . . .		<b>1</b>	1,796,112
<b>2</b>	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part IX, line 25			
<b>a</b>	Donated services and use of facilities . . . . .	<b>2a</b>	41,350	
<b>b</b>	Prior year adjustments . . . . .	<b>2b</b>		
<b>c</b>	Other losses . . . . .	<b>2c</b>		
<b>d</b>	Other (Describe in Part XIII ) . . . . .	<b>2d</b>	0	
<b>e</b>	Add lines <b>2a</b> through <b>2d</b> . . . . .		<b>2e</b>	41,350
<b>3</b>	Subtract line <b>2e</b> from line <b>1</b> . . . . .		<b>3</b>	1,754,762
<b>4</b>	Amounts included on Form 990, Part IX, line 25, but not on line <b>1</b> :			
<b>a</b>	Investment expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b . . . . .	<b>4a</b>		
<b>b</b>	Other (Describe in Part XIII ) . . . . .	<b>4b</b>	0	
<b>c</b>	Add lines <b>4a</b> and <b>4b</b> . . . . .		<b>4c</b>	0
<b>5</b>	Total expenses Add lines <b>3</b> and <b>4c</b> . (This must equal Form 990, Part I, line 18 ) . . . . .		<b>5</b>	1,754,762

**Part XIII Supplemental Information**

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

Return Reference	Explanation
Schedule D, Part X, Line 2, FIN 48 (ASC 740) footnote	INCOME TAXES ADVANCE ILLINOIS IS EXEMPT FROM FEDERAL INCOME TAXES UNDER SECTION 501 (C)(3) OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE AND, THEREFORE, HAS MADE NO PROVISION FOR FEDERAL INCOME TAXES IN THE ACCOMPANYING FINANCIAL STATEMENTS THERE WERE NO INCOME TAX RELATED INTEREST OR PENALTIES RECOGNIZED BY THE ORGANIZATION FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2013 AND 2012 THE ORGANIZATION HAS NOT BEEN EXAMINED BY ANY TAX JURISDICTION THE ORGANIZATION HAS NO ON-GOING FEDERAL, STATE OR LOCAL TAX AUDIT, HOWEVER, THE ORGANIZATION'S TAX RETURNS FOR 2010 AND SUBSEQUENT YEARS ARE OPEN TO EXAMINATION THE ORGANIZATION DOES NOT EXPECT THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF UNRECOGNIZED TAX BENEFITS TO SIGNIFICANTLY CHANGE IN THE NEXT 12 MONTHS THE ORGANIZATION WOULD RECOGNIZE INTEREST AND PENALTIES RELATED TO UNRECOGNIZED TAX BENEFITS IN INTEREST AND INCOME TAX EXPENSE, RESPECTIVELY A TAX POSITION IS RECOGNIZED AS A BENEFIT ONLY IF IT IS MORE LIKELY THAN NOT THAT THE TAX POSITION WOULD BE SUSTAINED IN A TAX EXAMINATION, WITH A TAX EXAMINATION BEING PRESUMED TO OCCUR THE AMOUNT RECOGNIZED IS THE LARGEST AMOUNT OF TAX BENEFIT THAT IS GREATER THAN 50% LIKELY OF BEING REALIZED ON EXAMINATION FOR TAX POSITIONS NOT MEETING THE MORE LIKELY THAN NOT TEST, NO TAX BENEFIT IS RECORDED



**Schedule J**  
(Form 990)

**Compensation Information**

OMB No 1545-0047

**2013**

**Open to Public Inspection**

For certain Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees

▶ **Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 23.**

▶ **Attach to Form 990. ▶ See separate instructions.**

▶ **Information about Schedule J (Form 990) and its instructions is at [www.irs.gov/form990](http://www.irs.gov/form990).**

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

Name of the organization  
ADVANCE ILLINOIS NFP

Employer identification number

26-2052733

**Part I Questions Regarding Compensation**

- 1a** Check the appropriate box(es) if the organization provided any of the following to or for a person listed in Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a. Complete Part III to provide any relevant information regarding these items.
- |   |  |
|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> First-class or charter travel            | <input type="checkbox"/> Housing allowance or residence for personal use |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Travel for companions                    | <input type="checkbox"/> Payments for business use of personal residence |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Tax idemnification and gross-up payments | <input type="checkbox"/> Health or social club dues or initiation fees   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Discretionary spending account           | <input type="checkbox"/> Personal services (e.g., maid, chauffeur, chef) |

**b** If any of the boxes in line 1a are checked, did the organization follow a written policy regarding payment or reimbursement or provision of all of the expenses described above? If "No," complete Part III to explain

**2** Did the organization require substantiation prior to reimbursing or allowing expenses incurred by all directors, trustees, officers, including the CEO/Executive Director, regarding the items checked in line 1a?

**3** Indicate which, if any, of the following the filing organization used to establish the compensation of the organization's CEO/Executive Director. Check all that apply. Do not check any boxes for methods used by a related organization to establish compensation of the CEO/Executive Director, but explain in Part III

- |   |   |
|---|---|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Compensation committee              | <input type="checkbox"/> Written employment contract                                |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Independent compensation consultant | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Compensation survey or study                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Form 990 of other organizations                | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Approval by the board or compensation committee |

**4** During the year, did any person listed in Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a with respect to the filing organization or a related organization

- a** Receive a severance payment or change-of-control payment?
- b** Participate in, or receive payment from, a supplemental nonqualified retirement plan?
- c** Participate in, or receive payment from, an equity-based compensation arrangement?
- If "Yes" to any of lines 4a-c, list the persons and provide the applicable amounts for each item in Part III

**Only 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations only must complete lines 5-9.**

**5** For persons listed in Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization pay or accrue any compensation contingent on the revenues of

- a** The organization?
- b** Any related organization?
- If "Yes," to line 5a or 5b, describe in Part III

**6** For persons listed in Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization pay or accrue any compensation contingent on the net earnings of

- a** The organization?
- b** Any related organization?
- If "Yes," to line 6a or 6b, describe in Part III

**7** For persons listed in Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization provide any non-fixed payments not described in lines 5 and 6? If "Yes," describe in Part III

**8** Were any amounts reported in Form 990, Part VII, paid or accrued pursuant to a contract that was subject to the initial contract exception described in Regulations section 53.4958-4(a)(3)? If "Yes," describe in Part III

**9** If "Yes" to line 8, did the organization also follow the rebuttable presumption procedure described in Regulations section 53.4958-6(c)?

	Yes	No
<b>1b</b>		
<b>2</b>		
<b>4a</b>		No
<b>4b</b>		No
<b>4c</b>		No
<b>5a</b>		No
<b>5b</b>		No
<b>6a</b>		No
<b>6b</b>		No
<b>7</b>	Yes	
<b>8</b>		No
<b>9</b>		

**Part II Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees.** Use duplicate copies if additional space is needed.

For each individual whose compensation must be reported in Schedule J, report compensation from the organization on row (i) and from related organizations, described in the instructions, on row (ii). Do not list any individuals that are not listed on Form 990, Part VII.

**Note.** The sum of columns (B)(i)-(iii) for each listed individual must equal the total amount of Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, applicable column (D) and (E) amounts for that individual.

(A) Name and Title		(B) Breakdown of W-2 and/or 1099-MISC compensation			(C) Retirement and other deferred compensation	(D) Nontaxable benefits	(E) Total of columns (B)(i)-(D)	(F) Compensation reported as deferred in prior Form 990
		(i) Base compensation	(ii) Bonus & incentive compensation	(iii) Other reportable compensation				
(1) ROBIN STEANS EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR	(i)	147,722	30,900	0	28,466	0	207,088	0
	(ii)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

**Part III Supplemental Information**

Provide the information, explanation, or descriptions required for Part I, lines 1a, 1b, 3, 4a, 4b, 4c, 5a, 5b, 6a, 6b, 7, and 8, and for Part II

Also complete this part for any additional information

Return Reference	Explanation
Schedule J, Part I, Line 7, Non-fixed payments	THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS ESTABLISHES ANNUAL OBJECTIVES FOR THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AND DETERMINES WHETHER AN ANNUAL PERFORMANCE BONUS WILL BE AWARDED PER THE COMPENSATION TERMS IN HER OFFER LETTER

**SCHEDULE O**  
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

**Supplemental Information to Form 990 or 990-EZ**

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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.**

**▶ Information about Schedule O (Form 990 or 990-EZ) and its instructions is at [www.irs.gov/form990](http://www.irs.gov/form990).**

Name of the organization  
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**Employer identification number**

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**990 Schedule O, Supplemental Information**

Return Reference	Explanation
FORM 990, PART III, LINE 1, MISSION CONTINUED	SPECIFICALLY, ADVANCE ILLINOIS *PROVIDES OBJECTIVE RESEARCH AND DATA ABOUT THE STATE OF EDUCATION IN ILLINOIS *LISTENS TO WHAT CITIZENS AND KEY STAKEHOLDERS HAVE TO SAY ABOUT EDUCATION AND WORKFORCE NEEDS *DEVELOPS A COMPREHENSIVE, MULTI-ISSUE POLICY AGENDA FOR CHANGE THROUGHOUT OUR DELIBERATIONS, WE HAVE BEEN GUIDED BY THESE CORE PRINCIPLES *A QUALITY EDUCATION IMPROVES THE ODDS OF SUCCESS FOR ALL YOUNG PEOPLE AND ANCHORS A STATE'S CIVIC AND ECONOMIC WELL-BEING *A 21ST-CENTURY EDUCATION BEGINS AT BIRTH AND ENGAGES FAMILIES AND COMMUNITIES *EFFECTIVE TEACHERS AND PRINCIPALS ARE AT THE CORE OF GREAT SCHOOLS *IMPROVEMENT BEGINS WITH HIGH EXPECTATIONS FOR EVERY STUDENT AND EVERY SCHOOL *RESULTS MATTER WE MUST FOCUS ON OUTCOMES AND EMPLOY QUALITY DATA TO UNDERSTAND HOW WE ARE DOING AND PUT THAT KNOWLEDGE TO USE *INNOVATIVE AND FAR-REACHING POLICIES ARE THE HALLMARKS OF SUCCESSFUL REFORM ACHIEVING THEM WILL REQUIRE US ALL TO MOVE BEYOND OLD DEBATES AND COME TOGETHER AROUND SOLUTIONS THAT WORK FOR CHILDREN *SOUND EDUCATION POLICY REQUIRES DELIBERATE AND PERSISTENT EFFORT COMBINED WITH HONEST COLLABORATION AND CLEAR COMMUNICATION *QUALITY SCHOOLS REQUIRE ADEQUATE RESOURCES AND THE ABILITY TO USE THEM WISELY AND EFFECTIVELY TO PROMOTE STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT
Form 990, Part VI, Sec B, Line 11b, Review of form 990 by governing body	THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR PROVIDES A COPY OF THE 990 TO THE FULL BOARD AND ALSO REVIEWS IT WITH THE ORGANIZATION'S FINANCE & DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE PRIOR TO FILING WITH THE IRS
Form 990, Part VI, Sec B, Line 15a, Process to establish compensation of top management official	COMPENSATION GUIDELINES FOR THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR POSITION (ED) COMPENSATION INCLUDES TOTAL CASH COMPENSATION GUIDELINES AND A MENU OF BENEFITS (DEFINED BY LEVEL OF IMPORTANCE) THAT WERE USED FOR HIRING THE RIGHT INDIVIDUAL FOR THIS POSITION THE ADVANCE ILLINOIS SEARCH COMMITTEE UTILIZED ISAACSON MILLER TO RECRUIT THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR POSITION ON JUNE 5, 2008 TIM KNOWLES, INTERIM CHAIR (ON THE BEHALF OF THE INDEPENDENT BOARD OF DIRECTORS) SENT AN OFFER LETTER TO ROBIN STEANS WHO ACCEPTED THE ED POSITION THIS CONTRACT, SIGNED BY TIM KNOWLES, SERVED AS THE CONTEMPORANEOUS DOCUMENTATION WITH RESPECT TO THE DELIBERATION AND DECISION REGARDING THE COMPENSATION ARRANGEMENT THE ORGANIZATION ENGAGED A CONSULTING COMPANY TO PROVIDE AN ASSESSMENT OF MARKET PRACTICES TO DETERMINE THE APPROPRIATE COMPENSATION FOR THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR UNTIL 2013, NO ADJUSTMENTS WERE MADE TO THE ED'S ORIGINAL BASE COMPENSATION IN THE EMPLOYMENT CONTRACT IN FEBRUARY 2011 (FOR FY 2010), DECEMBER 2011 (FOR FY 2011), DECEMBER 2012 (FOR FY 2012) AND DECEMBER 2013 (FOR FY 2013) THE ADVANCE ILLINOIS BOARD APPROVED 20% BONUSES FOR ROBIN BASED ON HER BASE COMPENSATION (AS OUTLINED IN HER OFFER LETTER)
FORM 990, PART VI, LINE 15B, COMPENSATION OF OTHER OFFICER & KEY EMPLOYEES	THE ORGANIZATION DOES NOT HAVE ANY OTHER OFFICERS OR KEY EMPLOYEES PER THE IRS DEFINITION, THEREFORE THIS QUESTION IS NOT APPLICABLE AND HAS INTENTIONALLY BEEN CHECKED "NO"
Form 990, Part VI, Sec C, Line 19, Required documents available to the public	FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, GOVERNING DOCUMENTS, AND CONFLICT OF INTEREST POLICIES ARE NOT REQUIRED DISCLOSURES PURSUANT TO INTERNAL REVENUE CODE (IRC) SECTION 6104 THESE DOCUMENTS ARE NOT AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC AT THIS TIME