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**Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax**  
Under section 501(c), 527, or 4947(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code (except private foundations)

OMB No 1545-0047

**2013**

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**A For the 2013 calendar year, or tax year beginning and ending**

<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 Name of organization</b>		<b>D Employer identification number</b>
	FOUNDATIONS FOR A BETTER OREGON		42-1606106
	Doing Business As		
	Number and street (or P.O. box if mail is not delivered to street address)	Room/suite	<b>E Telephone number</b>
	221 N.W. SECOND AVENUE	203	(503) 542-4325
City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code		<b>G Gross receipts \$</b> 7,083,413.	
PORTLAND, OR 97209		<b>H(a) Is this a group return for subordinates?</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
<b>F Name and address of principal officer.</b> SUE HILDICK SAME AS C ABOVE		<b>H(b) Are all subordinates included?</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
<b>I Tax-exempt status.</b> <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		If "No," attach a list (see instructions)	
<b>J Website:</b> FFBO.CHALKBOARDPROJECT.ORG		<b>H(c) Group exemption number</b> ▶	
<b>K Form of organization:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Corporation <input type="checkbox"/> Trust <input type="checkbox"/> Association <input type="checkbox"/> Other ▶		<b>L Year of formation:</b> 2003 <b>M State of legal domicile:</b> OR	

**Part I Summary**

<b>1</b> Briefly describe the organization's mission or most significant activities: <u>SEE SCHEDULE O</u>			
<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>Activities &amp; Governance</b>	<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>	13
	<b>6</b> Total number of volunteers (estimate if necessary)	<b>6</b>	994
	<b>7a</b> Total unrelated business revenue from Part VIII, column (C), line 12	<b>7a</b>	0.
	<b>7b</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>9</b> Program service revenue (Part VIII, line 2g)		7,224,521.	7,080,556.
<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)		3,165.	2,857.
<b>12</b> Total revenue - add lines 8 through 11 (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)		7,227,686.	7,083,413.
<b>13</b> Grants and similar amounts paid (Part IX, column (A), lines 1-3)		4,776,449.	4,375,475.
<b>Expenses</b>	<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)	828,870.	974,326.
	<b>16a</b> Professional fundraising fees (Part IX, column (A), line 11a)	17,928.	11,880.
	<b>b</b> Total fundraising expenses (Part IX, column (D), line 25)	111,557.	
	<b>17</b> Other expenses (Part IX, column (A), lines 11b-11d, 11f-24e)	1,354,649.	1,629,451.
	<b>18</b> Total expenses - Add lines 14-17 (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	6,977,896.	6,991,132.
<b>19</b> Revenue less expenses - Subtract line 18 from line 12	249,790.	92,281.	
<b>Net Assets or Fund Balances</b>	<b>20</b> Total assets (Part X, line 16)	<b>Beginning of Current Year</b>	<b>End of Year</b>
	<b>21</b> Total liabilities (Part X, line 26)	3,247,303.	4,947,875.
	<b>22</b> Net assets or fund balances - Subtract line 21 from line 20	397,863.	2,006,154.
		2,849,440.	2,941,721.

**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	Date			
	SUE HILDICK, PRESIDENT	4/24/14			
<b>Paid Preparer Use Only</b>	Print/Type preparer's name	Preparer's signature	Date	Check if self-employed	PTIN
	YEE LEE LO	[Signature]	4/14/14	<input type="checkbox"/>	P01294356
Firm's name		Firm's EIN		Phone no.	
GARY MCGEE & CO. LLP				(503) 222-2515	
Firm's address		808 S.W. THIRD AVENUE, SUITE 700 PORTLAND, OR 97204			

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

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Part III Statement of Program Service Accomplishments

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

X

1 Briefly describe the organization's mission:

THE SPECIFIC PURPOSE OF FOUNDATIONS FOR A BETTER OREGON IS TO PERMIT PARTICIPATING PUBLIC OR PRIVATE FOUNDATIONS TO COLLABORATE ON PROJECTS TO IMPROVE THE STATE OF OREGON, INITIALLY INCLUDING A PROJECT TO IDENTIFY AND DEVELOP RECOMMENDATIONS TO ENHANCE THE QUALITY,

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 X

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 X

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 \$ 6,580,976. including grants of \$ 4,375,475. ) (Revenue \$ )

THE ORGANIZATION HAS ONE GOAL: TO MAKE OREGON'S PUBLIC SCHOOLS AMONG THE TOP TEN IN THE NATION BASED IN STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT. WITH THIS GOAL IN MIND THE ORGANIZATION FOCUSED ITS EFFORTS IN 2013 ON STRENGTHENING EFFECTIVE TEACHING BECAUSE RESEARCH SHOWS THAT THE TEACHER HAS THE MOST SIGNIFICANT IMPACT ON STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT IN THE CLASSROOM. ALTHOUGH THE ORGANIZATION WILL CONTINUE TO ADVOCATE FOR ACCOUNTABILITY AND THE STABLE AND ADEQUATE FUNDING SCHOOLS NEED TO BE MOST SUCCESSFUL, TEACHER EFFECTIVENESS IS THE CORNERSTONE OF THE ORGANIZATION'S EFFORTS.

THROUGH RESEARCH AND THOUGHT LEADERSHIP ON IMPORTANT ISSUES, THE ORGANIZATION CONTINUES TO HELP CREATE A MORE INFORMED AND ENGAGED PUBLIC WHO UNDERSTANDS AND ADDRESSES THE TOUGH CHOICES AND TRADE-OFFS

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

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

4d Other program services (Describe in Schedule O )

(Expenses \$ including grants of \$ ) (Revenue \$ )

4e Total program service expenses 6,580,976.

**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>	X	
<b>2</b> Is the organization required to complete <i>Schedule B, Schedule of Contributors</i> ?	X	
<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>		X
<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>	X	
<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>		X
<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>		X
<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>		X
<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>		X
<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>		X
<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>		X
<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>	X	
<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>		X
<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>		X
<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>		X
<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>		X
<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>		X
<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>	X	
<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>		X
<b>13</b> Is the organization a school described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule E</i>		X
<b>14a</b> Did the organization maintain an office, employees, or agents outside of the United States?		X
<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>		X
<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>		X
<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>		X
<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</i>		X
<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>		X
<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>		X
<b>20a</b> Did the organization operate one or more hospital facilities? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule H</i>		X
<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)

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

**Note.** All Form 990 filers are required to complete Schedule O



**Part VI Governance, Management, and Disclosure** For each "Yes" response to lines 2 through 7b below, and for a "No" response to line 8a, 8b, or 10b below, describe the circumstances, processes, or changes in Schedule O. See instructions

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

**Section A. Governing Body and Management**

		Yes	No
<b>1a</b>	Enter the number of voting members of the governing body at the end of the tax year If there are material differences in voting rights among members of the governing body, or if the governing body delegated broad authority to an executive committee or similar committee, explain in Schedule O.		
	17		
<b>1b</b>	Enter the number of voting members included in line 1a, above, who are independent		
	17		
<b>2</b>	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?	X	
<b>3</b>	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?		X
<b>4</b>	Did the organization make any significant changes to its governing documents since the prior Form 990 was filed?		X
<b>5</b>	Did the organization become aware during the year of a significant diversion of the organization's assets?		X
<b>6</b>	Did the organization have members or stockholders?		X
<b>7a</b>	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?	X	
<b>7b</b>	Are any governance decisions of the organization reserved to (or subject to approval by) members, stockholders, or persons other than the governing body?		X
<b>8</b>	Did the organization contemporaneously document the meetings held or written actions undertaken during the year by the following:		
<b>8a</b>	a The governing body?	X	
<b>8b</b>	b Each committee with authority to act on behalf of the governing body?	X	
<b>9</b>	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		X

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

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

**Section C. Disclosure**

- 17** List the states with which a copy of this Form 990 is required to be filed **OR**
- 18** Section 6104 requires an organization to make its Forms 1023 (or 1024 if applicable), 990, and 990-T (Section 501(c)(3)s only) available for public inspection. Indicate how you made these available. Check all that apply.  
 Own website     Another's website     Upon request     Other (explain in Schedule O)
- 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 **SUE HILDICK - (503) 542-4325**  
**221 NW SECOND AVENUE, SUITE 203, PORTLAND, OR 97209**

**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, and highest compensated employees who received more than \$100,000 of reportable compensation from the organization and any related organizations
- List all of the organization's **former** directors or trustees that received, in the capacity as a former director or trustee of the organization, more than \$10,000 of reportable compensation from the organization and any related organizations

List persons in the following order: individual trustees or directors; institutional trustees; officers; key employees; highest compensated employees; and former such persons.

Check this box if neither the organization nor any related organization compensated any current officer, director, or trustee.

(A) Name and Title	(B) Average hours per week (list any hours for related organizations below 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) GREG CHAILLE DIRECTOR	2.00	X					0.	0.	0.	
(2) BILL EARLY DIRECTOR	2.00	X					0.	0.	0.	
(3) JERRY HUDSON DIRECTOR	2.00	X					0.	0.	0.	
(4) BOB KINGZETT DIRECTOR	2.00	X					0.	0.	0.	
(5) ANNE KUBISCH DIRECTOR	2.00	X					0.	0.	0.	
(6) NORM SMITH DIRECTOR	2.00	X					0.	0.	0.	
(7) BILL SWINDELLS DIRECTOR	2.00	X					0.	0.	0.	
(8) KAY TORAN DIRECTOR	2.00	X					0.	0.	0.	
(9) CHARLIE WALKER DIRECTOR	2.00	X					0.	0.	0.	
(10) ROD WENDT DIRECTOR	2.00	X					0.	0.	0.	
(11) ORCILIA ZUNIGA FORBES DIRECTOR	2.00	X					0.	0.	0.	
(12) TRUMAN COLLINS CHAIR	2.00	X		X			0.	0.	0.	
(13) DOUG STAMM VICE CHAIR	2.00	X		X			0.	0.	0.	
(14) MAX WILLIAMS VICE CHAIR	2.00	X		X			0.	0.	0.	
(15) RON PARKER TREASURER	2.00	X		X			0.	0.	0.	
(16) MARTHA RICHARDS SECRETARY	2.00	X		X			0.	0.	0.	
(17) CYNTHIA ADDAMS ASSISTANT TREASURER & SECRETARY	2.00	X		X			0.	0.	0.	

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

(A) Name and title	(B) Average hours per week (list any hours for related organizations below 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			
(18) SUE HILDICK PRESIDENT	40.00			X				207,530.	0.	21,187.
(19) DAN JAMISON VICE PRESIDENT OF EDUCATION	40.00					X		158,532.	0.	12,417.
<b>1b Sub-total</b>								366,062.	0.	33,604.
<b>c Total from continuation sheets to Part VII, Section A</b>								0.	0.	0.
<b>d Total (add lines 1b and 1c)</b>								366,062.	0.	33,604.

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 **2**

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

**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

(A) Name and business address	(B) Description of services	(C) Compensation
ECONORTHWEST, 99 WEST 10TH AVENUE, STE. 400, EUGENE, OR 97401	CONSULTANT	167,548.
EDUCATION NORTHWEST, 101 S.W. MAIN STREET, STE. 500, PORTLAND, OR 97204	CONSULTANT	160,000.

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 **2**

**Part VIII Statement of Revenue**

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

		(A) Total revenue	(B) Related or exempt function revenue	(C) Unrelated business revenue	(D) Revenue excluded from tax under sections 512 - 514	
<b>Contributions, Gifts, Grants and Other Similar Amounts</b>	<b>1 a</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> 4,883,925.				
	<b>f</b> All other contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts not included above	<b>1f</b> 2,196,631.				
	<b>g</b> Noncash contributions included in lines 1a-1f \$					
	<b>h Total.</b> Add lines 1a-1f		7,080,556.			
<b>Program Service Revenue</b>	<b>Business Code</b>					
	<b>2 a</b>					
	<b>b</b>					
	<b>c</b>					
	<b>d</b>					
	<b>e</b>					
	<b>f</b> All other program service revenue					
<b>g Total.</b> Add lines 2a-2f						
<b>Other Revenue</b>	<b>3</b> Investment income (including dividends, interest, and other similar amounts)		2,857.		2,857.	
	<b>4</b> Income from investment of tax-exempt bond proceeds					
	<b>5</b> Royalties					
	<b>6 a</b> Gross rents	(i) Real				
		(ii) Personal				
		<b>b</b> Less: rental expenses				
		<b>c</b> Rental income or (loss)				
	<b>d</b> Net rental income or (loss)					
	<b>7 a</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)				
	<b>d</b> Net gain or (loss)					
	<b>8 a</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						
<b>9 a</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					
<b>10 a</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					
<b>Miscellaneous Revenue</b>		<b>Business Code</b>				
<b>11 a</b>	<b>a</b>					
	<b>b</b>					
	<b>c</b>					
	<b>d</b> All other revenue					
	<b>e Total.</b> Add lines 11a-11d					
<b>12 Total revenue.</b> See instructions.		7,083,413.	0.	0.	2,857.	

**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

X

Do not include amounts reported on lines 6b, 7b, 8b, 9b, and 10b of Part VIII	(A) Total expenses	(B) Program service expenses	(C) Management and general expenses	(D) Fundraising expenses
1 Grants and other assistance to governments and organizations in the United States. See Part IV, line 21	4,375,475.	4,375,475.		
2 Grants and other assistance to individuals in the United States. See Part IV, line 22				
3 Grants and other assistance to governments, organizations, and individuals outside the United States. See Part IV, lines 15 and 16				
4 Benefits paid to or for members				
5 Compensation of current officers, directors, trustees, and key employees	228,717.	153,240.	61,753.	13,724.
6 Compensation not included above, to disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)) and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B)				
7 Other salaries and wages	614,918.	494,742.	116,178.	3,998.
8 Pension plan accruals and contributions (include section 401(k) and 403(b) employer contributions)	22,345.	18,274.	4,044.	27.
9 Other employee benefits	44,734.	35,550.	8,718.	466.
10 Payroll taxes	63,612.	49,020.	13,320.	1,272.
11 Fees for services (non-employees):				
a Management				
b Legal	13,406.	5,906.	7,350.	150.
c Accounting	17,953.		17,953.	
d Lobbying	138,000.	72,000.		66,000.
e Professional fundraising services. See Part IV, line 17	11,880.			11,880.
f Investment management fees				
g Other. (If line 11g amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A) amount, list line 11g expenses on Sch O.)	1,118,989.	1,098,958.	8,544.	11,487.
12 Advertising and promotion	98,673.	98,673.		
13 Office expenses	29,401.	20,058.	8,954.	389.
14 Information technology	6,142.	5,496.	620.	26.
15 Royalties				
16 Occupancy	47,174.	29,489.	16,978.	707.
17 Travel	56,899.	49,349.	7,242.	308.
18 Payments of travel or entertainment expenses for any federal, state, or local public officials				
19 Conferences, conventions, and meetings	56,577.	47,051.	9,145.	381.
20 Interest				
21 Payments to affiliates				
22 Depreciation, depletion, and amortization	25,641.	15,273.	9,953.	415.
23 Insurance	4,641.	2,692.	1,871.	78.
24 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.)				
a <b>STAFF DEVELOPMENT</b>	9,922.	6,019.	3,747.	156.
b <b>OTHER</b>	6,033.	3,711.	2,229.	93.
c _____				
d _____				
e All other expenses _____				
25 <b>Total functional expenses.</b> Add lines 1 through 24e	6,991,132.	6,580,976.	298,599.	111,557.
26 <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  if following SOP 98-2 (ASC 958-720)

**Part X Balance Sheet**

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

		(A) Beginning of year		(B) End of year	
Assets	1	Cash - non-interest-bearing	504,452.	1	504,288.
	2	Savings and temporary cash investments	920,946.	2	1,452,652.
	3	Pledges and grants receivable, net	1,719,964.	3	2,801,842.
	4	Accounts receivable, net	48,299.	4	84,446.
	5	Loans and other receivables from current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, and highest compensated employees Complete Part II of Schedule L		5	
	6	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 instr) Complete Part II of Sch L		6	
	7	Notes and loans receivable, net		7	
	8	Inventories for sale or use		8	
	9	Prepaid expenses and deferred charges	7,552.	9	6,841.
	10a	Land, buildings, and equipment: cost or other basis Complete Part VI of Schedule D	232,580.		
	10b	Less: accumulated depreciation	140,376.	10c	92,204.
	11	Investments - publicly traded securities		11	
	12	Investments - other securities See Part IV, line 11		12	
	13	Investments - program-related See Part IV, line 11		13	
	14	Intangible assets		14	
	15	Other assets See Part IV, line 11	5,602.	15	5,602.
16	<b>Total assets.</b> Add lines 1 through 15 (must equal line 34)	3,247,303.	16	4,947,875.	
Liabilities	17	Accounts payable and accrued expenses	138,301.	17	227,083.
	18	Grants payable	259,562.	18	1,735,836.
	19	Deferred revenue		19	43,235.
	20	Tax-exempt bond liabilities		20	
	21	Escrow or custodial account liability Complete Part IV of Schedule D		21	
	22	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		22	
	23	Secured mortgages and notes payable to unrelated third parties		23	
	24	Unsecured notes and loans payable to unrelated third parties		24	
	25	Other liabilities (including federal income tax, payables to related third parties, and other liabilities not included on lines 17-24). Complete Part X of Schedule D		25	
	26	<b>Total liabilities.</b> Add lines 17 through 25	397,863.	26	2,006,154.
Net Assets or Fund Balances	Organizations that follow SFAS 117 (ASC 958), check here <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 27 through 29, and lines 33 and 34.				
	27	Unrestricted net assets	1,181,454.	27	1,400,036.
	28	Temporarily restricted net assets	1,667,986.	28	1,541,685.
	29	Permanently restricted net assets		29	
	Organizations that do not follow SFAS 117 (ASC 958), check here <input type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 30 through 34.				
	30	Capital stock or trust principal, or current funds		30	
	31	Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, building, or equipment fund		31	
	32	Retained earnings, endowment, accumulated income, or other funds		32	
33	<b>Total net assets or fund balances</b>	2,849,440.	33	2,941,721.	
34	<b>Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances</b>	3,247,303.	34	4,947,875.	

**Part XI Reconciliation of Net Assets**

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

1	Total revenue (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	1	7,083,413.
2	Total expenses (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	2	6,991,132.
3	Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 2 from line 1	3	92,281.
4	Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (must equal Part X, line 33, column (A))	4	2,849,440.
5	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	5	
6	Donated services and use of facilities	6	
7	Investment expenses	7	
8	Prior period adjustments	8	
9	Other changes in net assets or fund balances (explain in Schedule O)	9	0.
10	Net assets or fund balances at end of year. Combine lines 3 through 9 (must equal Part X, line 33, column (B))	10	2,941,721.

**Part XII Financial Statements and Reporting**

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

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

Form 990 (2013)



**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
1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received (Do not include any "unusual grants")	2,558,005.	1,647,454.	3,759,939.	7,224,521.	7,080,556.	22,270,475.
2 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf						
3 The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge						
4 Total. Add lines 1 through 3	2,558,005.	1,647,454.	3,759,939.	7,224,521.	7,080,556.	22,270,475.
5 The portion of total contributions by each person (other than a governmental unit or publicly supported organization) included on line 1 that exceeds 2% of the amount shown on line 11, column (f)						3,536,710.
6 Public support. Subtract line 5 from line 4						18,733,765.

**Section B. Total Support**

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ▶	(a) 2009	(b) 2010	(c) 2011	(d) 2012	(e) 2013	(f) Total
7 Amounts from line 4	2,558,005.	1,647,454.	3,759,939.	7,224,521.	7,080,556.	22,270,475.
8 Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources	8,289.	5,747.	5,437.	3,165.	2,857.	25,495.
9 Net income from unrelated business activities, whether or not the business is regularly carried on						
10 Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part IV)						
11 Total support. Add lines 7 through 10						22,295,970.
12 Gross receipts from related activities, etc. (see instructions)					12	
13 First five years. If the Form 990 is for the organization's first, second, third, fourth, or fifth tax year as a section 501(c)(3) organization, check this box and stop here ▶ <input type="checkbox"/>						

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

14 Public support percentage for 2013 (line 6, column (f) divided by line 11, column (f))	14	84.02 %
15 Public support percentage from 2012 Schedule A, Part II, line 14	15	74.12 %
16a 33 1/3% support test - 2013. If the organization did not check the box on line 13, and line 14 is 33 1/3% or more, check this box and stop here. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization ▶ <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
b 33 1/3% support test - 2012. If the organization did not check a box on line 13 or 16a, and line 15 is 33 1/3% or more, check this box and stop here. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization ▶ <input type="checkbox"/>		
17a 10% -facts-and-circumstances test - 2013. If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, or 16b, and line 14 is 10% or more, and if the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test, check this box and stop here. Explain in Part IV how the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization ▶ <input type="checkbox"/>		
b 10% -facts-and-circumstances test - 2012. If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, 16b, or 17a, and line 15 is 10% or more, and if the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test, check this box and stop here. Explain in Part IV how the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization ▶ <input type="checkbox"/>		
18 Private foundation. If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, 16b, 17a, or 17b, check this box and see instructions ▶ <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.)						

**14 First five years.** If the Form 990 is for the organization's first, second, third, fourth, or fifth tax year as a section 501(c)(3) organization, check this box and stop here

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

<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 2013 (line 10c, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f))	<b>17</b>	%
<b>18</b> Investment income percentage from 2012 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



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

**Political Campaign and Lobbying Activities**

OMB No 1545-0047

**2013**

Open to Public Inspection

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

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](http://www.irs.gov/form990).**

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 organization: **FOUNDATIONS FOR A BETTER OREGON** Employer identification number: **42-1606106**

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

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

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

- 1 Enter the amount of any excise tax incurred by the organization under section 4955 ▶ \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- 2 Enter the amount of any excise tax incurred by organization managers under section 4955 ▶ \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- 3 If the organization incurred a section 4955 tax, did it file Form 4720 for this year?  Yes  No
- 4a Was a correction made?  Yes  No
- b If "Yes," describe in Part IV

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

- 1 Enter the amount directly expended by the filing organization for section 527 exempt function activities ▶ \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- 2 Enter the amount of the filing organization's funds contributed to other organizations for section 527 exempt function activities ▶ \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- 3 Total exempt function expenditures. Add lines 1 and 2. Enter here and on Form 1120-POL, line 17b ▶ \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- 4 Did the filing organization file Form 1120-POL for this year?  Yes  No
- 5 Enter the names, addresses and employer identification number (EIN) of all section 527 political organizations to which the filing organization made payments. For each organization listed, enter the amount paid from the filing organization's funds. Also enter the amount of political contributions received that were promptly and directly delivered to a separate political organization, such as a separate segregated fund or a political action committee (PAC). If additional space is needed, provide information in Part IV

(a) Name	(b) Address	(c) EIN	(d) Amount paid from filing organization's funds. If none, enter -0-	(e) Amount of political contributions received and promptly and directly delivered to a separate political organization. If none, enter -0-

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**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

Limits on Lobbying Expenditures (The term "expenditures" means amounts paid or incurred.)		(a) Filing organization's totals	(b) Affiliated group totals												
1a	Total lobbying expenditures to influence public opinion (grass roots lobbying)														
b	Total lobbying expenditures to influence a legislative body (direct lobbying)	138,000.													
c	Total lobbying expenditures (add lines 1a and 1b)	138,000.													
d	Other exempt purpose expenditures	6,741,575.													
e	Total exempt purpose expenditures (add lines 1c and 1d)	6,879,575.													
f	Lobbying nontaxable amount Enter the amount from the following table in both columns.	493,979.													
<table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>If the amount on line 1e, column (a) or (b) is:</th> <th>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 \$17,000,000	\$1,000,000														
g	Grassroots nontaxable amount (enter 25% of line 1f)	123,495.													
h	Subtract line 1g from line 1a If zero or less, enter -0-	0.													
i	Subtract line 1f from line 1c If zero or less, enter -0-	0.													
j	If there is an amount other than zero on either line 1h or line 1i, did the organization file Form 4720 reporting section 4911 tax for this year?		<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	
2a	Lobbying nontaxable amount	263,737.	328,764.	493,526.	493,979.	1,580,006.
b	Lobbying ceiling amount (150% of line 2a, column(e))					2,370,009.
c	Total lobbying expenditures	148,770.	152,956.	148,630.	138,000.	588,356.
d	Grassroots nontaxable amount	65,934.	82,191.	123,382.	123,495.	395,002.
e	Grassroots ceiling amount (150% of line 2d, column (e))					592,503.
f	Grassroots lobbying expenditures	445.				445.

**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
1 During the year, did the filing organization attempt to influence foreign, national, state or local legislation, including any attempt to influence public opinion on a legislative matter or referendum, through the use of			
a Volunteers?			
b Paid staff or management (include compensation in expenses reported on lines 1c through 1i)?			
c Media advertisements?			
d Mailings to members, legislators, or the public?			
e Publications, or published or broadcast statements?			
f Grants to other organizations for lobbying purposes?			
g Direct contact with legislators, their staffs, government officials, or a legislative body?			
h Rallies, demonstrations, seminars, conventions, speeches, lectures, or any similar means?			
i Other activities?			
j Total Add lines 1c through 1i			
2a Did the activities in line 1 cause the organization to be not described in section 501(c)(3)?			
b If "Yes," enter the amount of any tax incurred under section 4912			
c If "Yes," enter the amount of any tax incurred by organization managers under section 4912			
d If the filing organization incurred a section 4912 tax, did it file Form 4720 for this year?			

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

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

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

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

**Part IV Supplemental Information**

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)

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

**Supplemental Financial Statements**

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

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Name of the organization

FOUNDATIONS FOR A BETTER OREGON

Employer identification number  
42-1606106

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

	(a) Donor advised funds	(b) Funds and other accounts
1 Total number at end of year		
2 Aggregate contributions to (during year)		
3 Aggregate grants from (during year)		
4 Aggregate value at end of year		
5 Did the organization inform all donors and donor advisors in writing that the assets held in donor advised funds are the organization's property, subject to the organization's exclusive legal control?		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
6 Did the organization inform all grantees, donors, and donor advisors in writing that grant funds can be used only for charitable purposes and not for the benefit of the donor or donor advisor, or for any other purpose conferring impermissible private benefit?		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No

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

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

<input type="checkbox"/> Preservation of land for public use (e.g., recreation or education)	<input type="checkbox"/> Preservation of an historically important land area
<input type="checkbox"/> Protection of natural habitat	<input type="checkbox"/> Preservation of a certified historic structure
<input type="checkbox"/> Preservation of open space	

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

	Held at the End of the Tax Year
a Total number of conservation easements	
b Total acreage restricted by conservation easements	
c Number of conservation easements on a certified historic structure included in (a)	
d Number of conservation easements included in (c) acquired after 8/17/06, and not on a historic structure listed in the National Register	

3 Number of conservation easements modified, transferred, released, extinguished, or terminated by the organization during the tax year ▶ \_\_\_\_\_

4 Number of states where property subject to conservation easement is located ▶ \_\_\_\_\_

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

6 Staff and volunteer hours devoted to monitoring, inspecting, and enforcing conservation easements during the year ▶ \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

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

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

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

- 1a If the organization elected, as permitted under SFAS 116 (ASC 958), not to report in its revenue statement and balance sheet works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets held for public exhibition, education, or research in furtherance of public service, provide, in Part XIII, the text of the footnote to its financial statements that describes these items.
- b If the organization elected, as permitted under SFAS 116 (ASC 958), to report in its revenue statement and balance sheet works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets held for public exhibition, education, or research in furtherance of public service, provide the following amounts relating to these items
- (i) Revenues included in Form 990, Part VIII, line 1 ▶ \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- (ii) Assets included in Form 990, Part X ▶ \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- 2 If the organization received or held works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets for financial gain, provide the following amounts required to be reported under SFAS 116 (ASC 958) relating to these items:
- a Revenues included in Form 990, Part VIII, line 1 ▶ \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- b Assets included in Form 990, Part X ▶ \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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

- 3 Using the organization's acquisition, accession, and other records, check any of the following that are a significant use of its collection items (check all that apply):
- a  Public exhibition
  - 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 |
|---------------------------------|--------|
| c Beginning balance             |        |
| d Additions during the year     |        |
| e Distributions during the year |        |
| f Ending balance                |        |
- 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 |
|--|------------------|----------------|--------------------|----------------------|---------------------|
| 1a Beginning of year balance                     |                  |                |                    |                      |                     |
| b Contributions                                  |                  |                |                    |                      |                     |
| c Net investment earnings, gains, and losses     |                  |                |                    |                      |                     |
| d Grants or scholarships                         |                  |                |                    |                      |                     |
| e Other expenditures for facilities and programs |                  |                |                    |                      |                     |
| f Administrative expenses                        |                  |                |                    |                      |                     |
| g End of year balance                            |                  |                |                    |                      |                     |
- 2 Provide the estimated percentage of the 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:
- (i) unrelated organizations
  - (ii) related organizations
- |        | Yes | No |
|--------|-----|----|
| 3a(i)  |     |    |
| 3a(ii) |     |    |
| 3b     |     |    |
- b If "Yes" to 3a(ii), are the related organizations listed as required on Schedule R?
- 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
1a Land				
b Buildings				
c Leasehold improvements				
d Equipment		44,731.	31,349.	13,382.
e Other		187,849.	109,027.	78,822.
<b>Total.</b> Add lines 1a through 1e (Column (d) must equal Form 990, Part X, column (B), line 10(c))				92,204.

**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		
(3) Other		
(A)		
(B)		
(C)		
(D)		
(E)		
(F)		
(G)		
(H)		
<b>Total.</b> (Col. (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
(1)		
(2)		
(3)		
(4)		
(5)		
(6)		
(7)		
(8)		
(9)		
<b>Total.</b> (Col. (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
(1)	
(2)	
(3)	
(4)	
(5)	
(6)	
(7)	
(8)	
(9)	
<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
(1) Federal income taxes	
(2)	
(3)	
(4)	
(5)	
(6)	
(7)	
(8)	
(9)	
<b>Total.</b> (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col. (B) line 25) ▶	

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



**Grants and Other Assistance to Organizations,  
Governments, and Individuals in the United States**  
Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 21 or 22.  
▶ Attach to Form 990.

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Name of the organization  
**FOUNDATIONS FOR A BETTER OREGON**

Employer identification number  
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**Part I General Information on Grants and Assistance**

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

2 Describe in Part IV the organization's procedures for monitoring the use of grant funds in the United States. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 21, for any recipient that received more than \$5,000. Part II can be duplicated if additional space is needed.

1 (a) Name and address of organization or government	(b) EIN	(c) IRC section if applicable	(d) Amount of cash grant	(e) Amount of non-cash assistance	(f) Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other)	(g) Description of non-cash assistance	(h) Purpose of grant or assistance
SALEM KEIZER SCHOOL DISTRICT P.O. BOX 12024 SALEM, OR 97309	93-6000763	OR PUBLIC SCHOOL	1,369,517.	0.			CREATIVE LEADERSHIP ACHIEVES STUDENT SUCCESS (CLASS) AND TEACHOREGON PROJECTS GRANT FUNDING
BEND-LA PINE SCHOOL DISTRICT 520 N.W. WALL STREET BEND, OR 97701	93-6000393	OR PUBLIC SCHOOL	998,254.	0.			CREATIVE LEADERSHIP ACHIEVES STUDENT SUCCESS (CLASS) AND TEACHOREGON PROJECTS GRANT FUNDING
GREATER ALBANY PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT - 718 SEVENTH AVENUE S.W. - ALBANY, OR 97321	93-6002755	OR PUBLIC SCHOOL	596,005.	0.			CREATIVE LEADERSHIP ACHIEVES STUDENT SUCCESS (CLASS) PROJECT GRANT FUNDING
REDMOND SCHOOL DISTRICT 145 S.E. SALMON AVENUE, SUITE A REDMOND, OR 97756	93-6000392	OR PUBLIC SCHOOL	473,804.	0.			CREATIVE LEADERSHIP ACHIEVES STUDENT SUCCESS (CLASS) PROJECT GRANT FUNDING
CROOK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT 471 N.E. OCHOCO PLAZA DRIVE PRINEVILLE, OR 97754	93-6000375	OR PUBLIC SCHOOL	405,420.	0.			CREATIVE LEADERSHIP ACHIEVES STUDENT SUCCESS (CLASS) PROJECT GRANT FUNDING
LEBANON SCHOOL DISTRICT 485 S. 5TH STREET LEBANON, OR 97355	93-1175526	OR PUBLIC SCHOOL	201,807.	0.			CREATIVE LEADERSHIP ACHIEVES STUDENT SUCCESS (CLASS) PROJECT GRANT FUNDING

2 Enter total number of section 501(c)(3) and government organizations listed in the line 1 table  
3 Enter total number of other organizations listed in the line 1 table

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Part II Continuation of Grants and Other Assistance to Governments and Organizations in the United States (Schedule I (Form 990), Part II)							
(a) Name and address of organization or government	(b) EIN	(c) IRC section if applicable	(d) Amount of cash grant	(e) Amount of non-cash assistance	(f) Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other)	(g) Description of non-cash assistance	(h) Purpose of grant or assistance
DAVID DOUGLAS SCHOOL DISTRICT 1500 S.E. 130TH AVENUE PORTLAND, OR 97233	93-6014226	OR PUBLIC SCHOOL	153,334.	0.			TEACHOREGON GRANT
SPRINGFIELD SCHOOL DISTRICT 525 MILL STREET SPRINGFIELD, OR 97477	93-6000575	OR PUBLIC SCHOOL	53,334.	0.			TEACHOREGON GRANT
TILLAMOOK SCHOOL DISTRICT 6825 OFFICERS' ROW TILLAMOOK, OR 97141	93-6000912	OR PUBLIC SCHOOL	25,000.	0.			TEACHOREGON GRANT CREATIVE LEADERSHIP
NORTH SANTIAM SCHOOL DISTRICT 1155 NORTH THIRD AVENUE STAYTON, OR 97383	93-1293527	OR PUBLIC SCHOOL	25,000.	0.			ACHIEVES STUDENT SUCCESS (CLASS) PROJECT GRANT FUNDING
KLAMATH FALLS CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT 1336 AVALON STREET KLAMATH FALLS, OR 97603	93-6000545	OR PUBLIC SCHOOL	22,000.	0.			CREATIVE LEADERSHIP ACHIEVES STUDENT SUCCESS (CLASS) PROJECT GRANT FUNDING
HARNEY COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT 550 NORTH COURT BURNS, OR 97720	93-6002712	OR PUBLIC SCHOOL	16,000.	0.			CREATIVE LEADERSHIP ACHIEVES STUDENT SUCCESS (CLASS) PROJECT GRANT FUNDING
PORTLAND PUBLIC SCHOOLS 501 N. DIXON STREET PORTLAND, OR 97227	93-6000830	OR PUBLIC SCHOOL	10,000.	0.			TEACHOREGON GRANT
OPEN MEADOW ALTERNATIVE SCHOOLS 7621 NORTH WABASH AVENUE PORTLAND, OR 97217	93-0757378	501(C)(3)	10,000.	0.			CREATIVE LEADERSHIP ACHIEVES STUDENT SUCCESS (CLASS) PROJECT GRANT FUNDING
HIGH DESERT EDUCATION SERVICE DISTRICT - 145 S.E. SALMON AVENUE - REDMOND, OR 97756	93-6002511	OR PUBLIC SCHOOL	10,000.	0.			EDUCATOR STANDARDS AND EVALUATION PROJECT

**Part II** Continuation of Grants and Other Assistance to Governments and Organizations in the United States (Schedule I (Form 990), Part II)

(a) Name and address of organization or government	(b) EIN	(c) IRC section if applicable	(d) Amount of cash grant	(e) Amount of non-cash assistance	(f) Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other)	(g) Description of non-cash assistance	(h) Purpose of grant or assistance
SHERIDAN SCHOOL DISTRICT 435 SOUTH BRIDGE STREET SHERIDAN, OR 97378	93-6001127	OR PUBLIC SCHOOL	6,000.	0.			CREATIVE LEADERSHIP ACHIEVES STUDENT SUCCESS (CLASS) PROJECT GRANT FUNDING

**Part III** Grants and Other Assistance to Individuals in the United States. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 22  
 Part III can be duplicated if additional space is needed

(a) Type of grant or assistance	(b) Number of recipients	(c) Amount of cash grant	(d) Amount of non-cash assistance	(e) Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other)	(f) Description of non-cash assistance

**Part IV** Supplemental Information. Provide the information required in Part I, line 2, Part III, column (b), and any other additional information

**PART I, LINE 2:**

**EXPLANATION: THE ORGANIZATION REQUIRES PERIODIC PROGRESS REPORTS IN ADDITION TO A FINAL REPORT AT THE END OF THE GRANT PERIOD. THE REPORTS TRACK THE PROGRESS OF THE GRANTEE'S PROGRAMMATIC AND FINANCIAL GOALS RELATED TO THE GRANT.**

**SCHEDULE J  
(Form 990)**

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

**Compensation Information**

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

▶ Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on 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)

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**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 indemnification 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 on 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, and 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 type="checkbox"/> Compensation committee              | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Written employment contract                     |
| <input 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 section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations 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
1a		
1b		
2		
3		
4a		X
4b		X
4c		X
5a		X
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Schedule J (Form 990) 2013

**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) SUE HILDICK PRESIDENT	(i)	202,530.	5,000.	0.	10,475.	228,717.	0.
	(ii)	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.
(2) DAN JAMISON VICE PRESIDENT OF EDUCATION	(i)	155,032.	3,500.	0.	7,989.	170,949.	0.
	(ii)	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.
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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

PART I, LINE 7: THE INDIVIDUALS LISTED RECEIVED PERFORMANCE BONUSES IN

2013.

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

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

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

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

▶ Attach to Form 990 or 990-EZ.

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

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Employer identification number  
42-1606106

FORM 990, PART I, LINE 1, DESCRIPTION OF ORGANIZATION MISSION:

FOUNDATIONS FOR A BETTER OREGON OPERATES THE CHALKBOARD PROJECT, A  
COLLABORATIVE EFFORT AMONG SIX INDEPENDENT OREGON FOUNDATIONS - THE  
COLLINS FOUNDATION, THE FORD FAMILY FOUNDATION, THE JELD-WEN  
FOUNDATION, THE MEYER MEMORIAL TRUST, THE OREGON COMMUNITY FOUNDATION,  
AND THE JAMES F. AND MARION L. MILLER FOUNDATION - TO UNITE AND HELP  
OREGONIANS TO MAKE THE STATE'S PUBLIC SCHOOLS AMONG THE BEST IN THE  
NATION. THE CHALKBOARD PROJECT HAS BEEN ORGANIZED BY OREGONIANS  
(PARENTS, VOTERS, NEIGHBORS, MOTHERS, GRANDFATHERS) WHO BELIEVE THAT  
EVERY PUBLIC SCHOOL STUDENT DESERVES A QUALITY EDUCATION THAT WILL LEAD  
TO SUCCESS IN COLLEGE, IN THE WORKPLACE, AND IN LIFE.

FORM 990, PART III, LINE 1, DESCRIPTION OF ORGANIZATION MISSION:

ACCOUNTABILITY, AND STABLE FUNDING OF OREGON'S PUBLIC PRIMARY AND  
SECONDARY EDUCATION SYSTEM BY BRINGING TOGETHER AND FOCUSING THE  
EXPERTISE AND RESOURCES OF THE STATE AND REGIONAL CHARITABLE  
ORGANIZATIONS COMMITTED TO THIS COMMON GOAL.

FORM 990, PART III, LINE 4A, PROGRAM SERVICE ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

REQUIRED TO BUILD STRONG SCHOOLS. THROUGH THE PILOT PROJECTS CLASS AND  
TEACHOREGON, THE ORGANIZATION HOPES TO DEMONSTRATE PROMISING PRACTICES  
THAT COULD BE TURNED INTO STATEWIDE PUBLIC POLICY.

FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION A, LINE 2:

EXPLANATION: EACH OF THE SIX COLLABORATING FOUNDATIONS APPOINTS ONE OR TWO  
OR THREE DIRECTORS TO THE FOUNDATIONS FOR A BETTER OREGON BOARD. THOSE

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APPOINTEES MAY BE RELATED TO EACH OTHER BY THEIR EMPLOYMENT OR BOARD ROLE AT THE COLLABORATING FOUNDATION. ACCORDINGLY, THE FOLLOWING DIRECTORS HAD A BUSINESS RELATIONSHIP WITH ANOTHER DIRECTOR:

ORCILIA ZUNIGA FORBES HAD A BUSINESS RELATIONSHIP WITH DOUG STAMM.

TRUMAN COLLINS HAD A BUSINESS RELATIONSHIP WITH CYNTHIA ADDAMS AND JERRY HUDSON.

RON PARKER HAD A BUSINESS RELATIONSHIP WITH NORM SMITH AND ANNE KUBISCH.

MARTHA RICHARDS HAD A BUSINESS RELATIONSHIP WITH BILL SWINDELLS AND CHARLIE WALKER.

ROD WENDT HAD A BUSINESS RELATIONSHIP WITH BOB KINGZETT AND BILL EARLY.

MAX WILLIAMS HAD A BUSINESS RELATIONSHIP WITH GREG CHAILLE AND KAY TORAN.

FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION A, LINE 7A:

EXPLANATION: EACH OF THE SIX COLLABORATING FOUNDATIONS IS ENTITLED TO APPOINT ONE OR TWO OR THREE DIRECTORS TO THE FOUNDATIONS FOR A BETTER OREGON BOARD.

FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION B, LINE 11:

EXPLANATION: THE FORM 990 IS PREPARED BY AN OUTSIDE CPA FIRM. THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS IS GIVEN A COPY OF THE FORM 990, FOR THEIR REVIEW, PRIOR TO FILING BY THE ORGANIZATION.

FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION B, LINE 12C:

EXPLANATION: ANNUALLY, EACH DIRECTOR, PRINCIPAL OFFICER AND MEMBER OF A COMMITTEE WITH GOVERNING BOARD DELEGATED POWERS SHALL SIGN A STATEMENT WHICH AFFIRMS SUCH PERSON HAS RECEIVED A COPY OF THE CONFLICTS OF INTEREST POLICY, READ AND UNDERSTANDS THE POLICY, AND AGREED TO COMPLY WITH THE

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POLICY.

FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION B, LINE 15:

EXPLANATION: THE ORGANIZATION'S TOP MANAGEMENT OFFICIAL IS THE PRESIDENT. WHEN THAT POSITION WAS CREATED IN 2004, THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS REVIEWED SIMILAR POSITIONS IN OTHER ORGANIZATIONS TO DETERMINE AN APPROPRIATE COMPENSATION LEVEL. THEY ALSO USED INDEPENDENT NON-PROFIT SURVEYS THAT HAD BEEN PERFORMED IN THE REGION. THE BOARD APPROVED THE SALARY AT THAT TIME AND NEGOTIATED A COMPENSATION CONTRACT WITH THE PRESIDENT. IN MAY OF 2013, THE BOARD OBTAINED AND REVIEWED A NEW COMPENSATION STUDY.

THE EVALUATION COMMITTEE IS RESPONSIBLE FOR EVALUATING THE PRESIDENT AGAINST AGREED UPON PERFORMANCE WORK PLAN GOALS AND IS COMPRISED OF THE BOARD CHAIR AND TWO OTHER MEMBERS OF THE BOARD. THE BOARD CHAIR IS THE PRIMARY INTERFACE BETWEEN THE BOARD AND THE PRESIDENT ON ISSUES RELATED TO PERFORMANCE PLANNING AND EVALUATION. AT THE BEGINNING OF THE FISCAL YEAR, THE PRESIDENT WILL DEVELOP THE ANNUAL PERFORMANCE WORK PLAN FOR THE ORGANIZATION WITH INPUT AND FEEDBACK FROM THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE BOARD. THE PERFORMANCE WORK PLAN IS APPROVED BY THE BOARD AND SERVES AS THE BASIS FOR PERFORMANCE EXPECTATIONS FOR THE PRESIDENT AND THE STAFF. THE PRESIDENT'S PERFORMANCE IS EVALUATED AGAINST THIS PLAN. PRIOR TO THE END OF THE FISCAL PERIOD, THE PRESIDENT WILL WRITE A SELF-EVALUATION OF HER PERFORMANCE THAT IS MADE AVAILABLE TO THE FULL BOARD FOR REVIEW. THE EVALUATION COMMITTEE WILL SOLICIT ALL BOARD MEMBERS FOR FEEDBACK ON THE PRESIDENT'S PERFORMANCE. THIS SELF-ASSESSMENT AND INPUT FROM THE BOARD MEMBERS IS USED TO COMPLETE THE FORMAL EVALUATION OF THE PRESIDENT'S PERFORMANCE FOR THE YEAR. DURING THIS REVIEW PROCESS, A COMPENSATION ADJUSTMENT IS CONSIDERED.

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COMPENSATION LEVELS OF OTHER STAFF WERE ORIGINALLY SET BASED ON LEVELS FOR SIMILAR POSITIONS IN THE COMMUNITY. IN 2013, THE PRESIDENT REVIEWED A NEW COMPENSATION STUDY TO REASSESS THE COMPENSATION LEVELS OF OTHER STAFF. THE PRESIDENT IS COMMITTED TO ENSURING ONGOING INFORMAL AND REGULAR FORMAL PERFORMANCE REVIEWS. EACH YEAR THE EMPLOYEES ARE ASKED TO COMPLETE A SELF-ASSESSMENT COMPARING ACTUAL PERFORMANCE AGAINST PRE-SET GOALS. THE SELF-ASSESSMENTS ARE USED DURING THE ANNUAL PERFORMANCE REVIEWS. SALARY INCREASES MAY BE CONSIDERED AFTER THE ANNUAL REVIEWS.

FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION C, LINE 19:

EXPLANATION: GOVERNING DOCUMENTS, CONFLICT OF INTEREST POLICY, AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS ARE MADE AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC UPON REQUEST.

FORM 990, PART IX, LINE 11G, OTHER FEES:

EVALUATION DOCUMENTATION:

PROGRAM SERVICE EXPENSES	200,927.
MANAGEMENT AND GENERAL EXPENSES	0.
FUNDRAISING EXPENSES	0.
TOTAL EXPENSES	200,927.

COMMUNICATIONS:

PROGRAM SERVICE EXPENSES	113,122.
MANAGEMENT AND GENERAL EXPENSES	0.
FUNDRAISING EXPENSES	0.
TOTAL EXPENSES	113,122.

RESEARCH:

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<b>PROGRAM SERVICE EXPENSES</b>	<b>172,589.</b>
<b>MANAGEMENT AND GENERAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>0.</b>
<b>FUNDRAISING EXPENSES</b>	<b>0.</b>
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>172,589.</b>

**CONSULTANTS:**

<b>PROGRAM SERVICE EXPENSES</b>	<b>554,715.</b>
<b>MANAGEMENT AND GENERAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>248.</b>
<b>FUNDRAISING EXPENSES</b>	<b>0.</b>
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>554,963.</b>

**POLICY DEVELOPMENT:**

<b>PROGRAM SERVICE EXPENSES</b>	<b>18,062.</b>
<b>MANAGEMENT AND GENERAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>0.</b>
<b>FUNDRAISING EXPENSES</b>	<b>0.</b>
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>18,062.</b>

**OTHER PROFESSIONAL FEES:**

<b>PROGRAM SERVICE EXPENSES</b>	<b>39,543.</b>
<b>MANAGEMENT AND GENERAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>8,296.</b>
<b>FUNDRAISING EXPENSES</b>	<b>11,487.</b>
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>59,326.</b>
<b>TOTAL OTHER FEES ON FORM 990, PART IX, LINE 11G, COL A</b>	<b>1,118,989.</b>