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Form 990-EZ

Department of the Treasury

Internal Revenue Service

# **Short Form Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax**

Under section 501(c), 527, or 4947(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code (except private foundations)

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Pa	art I		e, Expenses, and Changes in Net Asse e organization used Schedule O to respond to an						
	1	Contributions	s, gifts, grants, and similar amounts received					1	168,888
	2	Program serv	vice revenue including government fees and conf	racts				2	
	3	Membership	dues and assessments					3	
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œ	6		undraising events		1	ı			
	а	Gross income	e from gaming (attach Schedule G if greater thar	1\$15,000)	· 6a				
	b		e from fundraising events (not including \$ ing events reported on line 1) (attach Schedule		tions				
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	С	Less direct	expenses from gaming and fundraising events		. 6с		0		
	d	Net income o	r (loss) from gaming and fundraising events (add	d lines 6a and 6b an	d subtra	ct line 6 c	)	6d	
	7a	Gross sales	of inventory, less returns and allowances		. 7a				
	b	Less cost of	goods sold		. 7b		0		
	С	Gross profit o	or (loss) from sales of inventory (Subtract line 7	b from line 7a) .				7c	
	8	O ther revenu	ie (describe in Schedule O)					8	
	9		e. Add lines 1, 2, 3, 4, 5c, 6d, 7c, and 8				<b>•</b>	9	168,903
	10		imilar amounts paid (list in Schedule O)					10	
	11		to or for members			• •	•	11	
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Expenses	13		fees and other payments to independent contrac					13	19,148
la di	14		rent, utilities, and maintenance					14	3,204
Ĕ	15		lications, postage, and shipping					15	1,215
	16		ses (describe in Schedule O)					16	28,224
	17	Total expense	es. Add lines 10 through 16				<b>&gt;</b>	17	148,659
e l	18	Excess or (de	eficit) for the year (Subtract line 17 from line 9)					18	20,244
988 8	19	Net assets o	r fund balances at beginning of year (from line 27	7, column (A)) (mus	t agree v	with			
etAssets		end-of-year f	igure reported on prior year's return) .					19	135,712
Ne	20	O ther change	es in net assets or fund balances (explain in Sch	edule O)				20	
	21	Net assets o	r fund balances at end of year Combine lines 18	through 20			•	21	155,956
For			on Act Notice see the separate instructions		No. 10	6421			90-F7 (2014)

Form 990-EZ (2014) Page **2** Part II Balance Sheets (see the instructions for Part II) Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part II (B) End of year (A) Beginning of year 22 **22** Cash, savings, and investments . 135,712 155,956 23 23 Land and buildings 24 Other assets (describe in Schedule O) 24 135,712 25 155,956 Total assets **26 Total liabilities** (describe in Schedule O ) 26 27 Net assets or fund balances (line 27 of column (B) must agree with line 21) 135,712 27 155,956 Part III Statement of Program Service Accomplishments (see the instructions for Part III) **Expenses** (Required for section 501 Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part III (c)(3) and 501(c)(4) What is the organization's primary exempt purpose? organizations, optional for PROMOTING ECONOMIC SUSTAINABILITY others ) Describe the organization's program service accomplishments for each of its three largest program services, as measured by expenses In a clear and concise manner, describe the services provided, the number of persons benefited, and other relevant information for each program title 28 ANALYSIS OF PUBLIC AGENCY DECISIONS CSE HOUSES A TOP-NOTCH TEAM OF RESEARCHERS WITH A DIVERSE BACKGROUND IN A NUMBER OF DISCIPLINES AT THE FOREFRONT OF THINKING ABOUT THE NEW ECONOMY WE SPECIALIZE IN BENEFIT-COST ANALYSIS, NET PUBLIC BENEFITS ANALYSIS, NON-MARKET VALUATION, REGIONAL MODELING, ECOLOGICAL FOOTPRINTS AND SUSTAINABILITY ANALYSIS OUR PROJECTS ARE GROUPED INTO FOUR CORE INITIATIVES, INCLUDING NET PUBLIC BENEFITS TYPICALLY, BOTH PUBLIC AND PRIVATE DECISION MAKERS LACK ALL THE INFORMATION NECESSARY FOR DETERMINING WHETHER OR NOT A PROPOSED PROGRAM, POLICY, OR PROJECT IS IN THE PUBLIC INTEREST OUR ECONOMISTS HELP EXPOSE THE TRUE COSTS OF THESE DECISIONS ON THE PUBLIC AS WELL AS BENEFITS THAT MAY BE IMPORTANT BUT ARE DIFFICULT TO QUANTIFY THROUGH STANDARD ECONOMIC ANALYSIS TECHNIQUES OUR EXPERTISE INCLUDES NON-MARKET VALUATION, BENEFIT-COST ANALYSIS, REGIONAL MODELING, AND OTHER TECHNIQUES NEEDED TO PROVIDE A MORE COMPLETE PICTURE OF OVERALL ECONOMIC IMPACT CLIMATE ECONOMICS BY ANY ACCOUNT, THE ECONOMIC COSTS OF CLIMATE CHANGE ARE EXPECTED TO BE STAGGERING ONE RECENT GLOBAL ASSESSMENT THAT ADDED THE SPECTER OF A DECADE LONG PULSE OF METHANE FROM THE MELTING ARCTIC TO STANDARD CLIMATE IMPACTS MODELS FOUND THAT NET COSTS OF CLIMATE CHANGE COULD RANGE FROM \$119 TO \$458 TRILLION DEPENDING UPON WHAT EMISSIONS SCENARIO UNFOLDS OUR ANALYSTS ADDRESS THE ECONOMICS OF CLIMATE CHANGE IN A NUMBER OF WAYS WE HELP EVALUATE THE TRUE COSTS OF ADDITIONAL FOSSIL FUEL DEVELOPMENT WE ESTIMATE CLIMATE CHANGE COSTS ON BOTH MARKET AND NONMARKET DIMENSIONS OF ECONOMIC WELLBEING AND WE HELP GOVERNMENTS AND COMMUNITIES IDENTIFY COST-EFFECTIVE ADAPTATION OPTIONS GREEN VS GRAY INFRASTRUCTURE INVESTMENTS IN GREEN INFRASTRUCTURE SOLUTIONS LIKE WETLANDS OFTEN PROVIDE ECONOMICALLY SUPERIOR WAYS TO ACHIEVE ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY OUTCOMES THAN CONVENTIONAL INVESTMENTS IN GRAY INFRASTRUCTURE LIKE NEW WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANTS TO HELP INVESTIGATE THE FINANCIAL AND ECONOMIC TRADEOFFS, CSE HELPED PIONEER GREEN VS GRAY ANALYSIS (GGA) GGA BUILDS ON STANDARD PUBLIC INVESTMENT ANALYSIS TO HELP DECISION MAKERS IDENTIFY THE LEAST COST OPTIONS FOR MITIGATING DISASTER RISK, ACHIEVING REGULATORY TARGETS, OR MAXIMIZING NET PUBLIC BENEFITS OF PUBLIC INFRASTRUCTURE CSE IS ASSISTING A GROWING NUMBER OF MUNICIPAL WATER PROVIDERS, LAND MANAGERS, AND BUSINESSES QUANTIFY THE BOTTOM LINE BENEFITS OF RESTORING WETLANDS, FORESTS, RIVERS AND COASTAL ECOSYSTEMS AS AN ALTERNATIVE TO EXPENSIVE TECHNOLOGICAL SOLUTIONS TO THEIR INFRASTRUCTURE NEEDS SUSTAINABILITY AN INCREASING NUMBER OF NATIONS, COMMUNITIES, ACADEMIC INSTITUTIONS AND BUSINESSES ARE COMMITTED TO THE OVERALL IDEA OF ENVIRONMENTAL. ECONOMIC, AND SOCIAL SUSTAINABILITY CSE HELPS DEFINE AND MEASURE SUSTAINABILITY WITH PRECISION USING STATE OF THE ART METRICS AND TECHNIQUES WE HELP IDENTIFY INITIATIVES THAT FOSTER SUSTAINABILITY AS WELL AS PRACTICES THAT ERODE NATURAL, HUMAN, BUILT, AND SOCIAL CAPITAL OVER TIME ACCOMPLISHMENTS IN 2014 INCLUDED ECONOMIC BENEFITS OF BALTIMORES STORMWATER MANAGEMENT PLANIN DECEMBER 2014 THE CITY OF BALTIMORE RELEASED AN AMBITIOUS MANAGEMENT PLAN FOR REDUCING STORMWATER POLLUTION FROM NEARLY 24,000 ACRES OF PAVEMENT WITHIN CITY LIMITS NITROGEN, PHOSPHOROUS, AND SEDIMENTS CONTAINED IN THIS STORMWATER ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR RECURRING HYPOXIC DEAD ZONES IN THE CHESAPEAKE BAY DEVOID OF FISH, CRABS, AND OTHER AQUATIC LIFE STORMWATER RUNOFF FROM CITES ACCOUNTS FOR 10-20% OF THE LOAD OF THESE POLLUTANTS ENTERING THE BAY ALTHOUGH EFFORTS TO CONTROL POLLUTION FROM OTHER SOURCES ARE BEGINNING TO PAY OFF, POLLUTION FROM URBAN RUNOFF IS STILL GROWING BALTIMORES STORMWATER MANAGEMENT PLAN (SMP) WILL PLAY A ROLE IN REVERSING THIS TREND THE SMP WAS CREATED TO MEET BALTIMORES OBLIGATIONS UNDER THE CLEAN WATER ACT AND IS BASED ON IMPLEMENTATION OF A VARIETY OF BEST MANAGEMENT PRACTICES (BMPS) DESIGNED TO REDUCE RUNOFF AND FILTER OUT POLLUTANTS FROM AT LEAST 4,240 ACRES OF PAVED SURFACES MAJOR BMPS WILL INCLUDE EXPANDED MECHANICAL STREET SWEEPING, STREAM RESTORATION, BIORETENTION PONDS, ARTIFICIAL WETLANDS, AND CONVERTING IMPERVIOUS PAVEMENT TO OPEN SPACE AND FOREST MANY, INCLUDING MARYLANDS NEW GOVERNOR LARRY HOGAN (R) HAVE EXPRESSED CONCERNS OVER THE COSTS JURISDICTIONS LIKE BALTIMORE WILL FACE IMPLEMENTING THEIR SMPS AND OVER THE STORMWATER FEES COLLECTED TO PAY FOR THEM BUT FROM AN ECONOMICS STANDPOINT, THE POINT IS NOT HOW MUCH IT COSTS BUT WHETHER OR NOT THE BENEFITS GENERATED BY THESE SMPS EXCEED COSTS AND HOW THEY CAN BE CONFIGURED TO MAXIMIZE SUCH BENEFITS CSES PRELIMINARY ANALYSIS OF BALTIMORES SMP TACKLES THESE QUESTIONS BY USING BALTIMORES GENUINE PROGRESS INDICATOR (GPI) AS A FRAMEWORK FCONOMIC BENEFITS OF BALTIMORES CLIMATE ACTION PLANALL TOO OFTEN WE HEAR HOW CLIMATE ACTION WILL PUT A DRAG ON ECONOMIC GROWTH BUT IN A NEW ANALYSIS OF BALTIMORES CLIMATE ACTION PLAN (CAP), CENTER FOR SUSTAINABLE ECONOMY DEMONSTRATES JUST HOW WRONG THAT ASSUMPTION REALLY IS ONCE FULLY IMPLEMENTED, BALTIMORES CLIMATE ACTION PLAN IS LIKELY TO GENERATE A SIGNIFICANT BOOST TO THE CITYS GENUINE PROGRESS INDICATOR (GPI), AN OVERALL MEASURE OF ECONOMIC I REING A DO PTED IN MARYLAND AND NOW BEING ROA BENEFITS ARE LIKELY TO RANGE BETWEEN \$548 MILLION AND \$720 MILLION PER YEAR, AN INCREASE OF 4 TO 5% OVER A BUSINESS AS USUAL SCENARIO THIS MEANS THAT IF THE CAP WERE IN PLACE TODAY, BALTIMORES GPI COULD RISE FROM \$13 94 BILLION TO AS MUCH AS \$14 66 BILLION EACH YEAR THE MOST SIGNIFICANT BENEFITS WILL BE GENERATED BY THE REDUCED COSTS OF GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS AND ASSOCIATED AIR AND NOISE POLLUTION THESE BENEFITS ARE LIKELY TO AMOUNT TO NEARLY \$358 MILLION PER YEAR AIR AND NOISE POLLUTION BENEFITS WILL BE ASSOCIATED WITH A 25% REDUCTION IN VEHICLE MILES TRAVELED (Grants \$ 53,518) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here . 29 SOLUTIONS FOR SUSTAINABILITY CSE WORKS WITH GOVERNMENTS, BUSINESS LEADERS, EDUCATORS AND NON-PROFITS TO DEVELOP INNOVATIVE POLICIES, NEW INDICATORS OF PROGRESS, AND INTERACTIVE ON-LINE TOOLS TO FOSTER THE TRANSITION TO A SUSTAINABLE ECONOMY WE PROMOTE POLICY SOLUTIONS BASED ON A NEW PARADIGM OF GROWTH CENTERED ON WELL-BEING RATHER THAN AN EVER EXPANDING SCALE OF INDUSTRIAL ACTIVITY OUR PIONEERING WORK ON THE ECOLOGICAL FOOTPRINT AND GENUINE PROGRESS INDICATOR HELPS ESTABLISH THESE AND OTHER SUSTAINABILITY METRICS AS THE VANGUARDS FOR THE NEW ECONOMY OUR AWARD WINNING ONLINE TOOLS FOR MEASURING SUSTAINABILITY HAVE HELPED SPOTLIGHT THE BENEFICIAL IMPACTS OF LIFESTYLE CHANGES AND GREEN PRODUCTS OUR WORK ON SUSTAINABILITY SOLUTIONS INCLUDES POLICY INNOVATIONS MAKING A SWIFT AND EQUITABLE TRANSITION TO A SUSTAINABLE ECONOMY WILL REQUIRE A NEW SUITE OF POLICIES THAT ENCOURAGE INVESTMENT IN NATURAL AND HUMAN CAPITAL, LOCAL SELF RELIANCE, COOPERATION, SUSTAINABLE PRODUCTION AND CONSUMPTION, AND MANY OTHER FUNDAMENTAL SHIFTS FROM THE CONVENTIONAL ECONOMIC GROWTH MODEL CSE HELPS DEVELOP PUBLIC POLICY MECHANISMS LIKE TAX INCENTIVES, PUBLIC PROCUREMENT GUIDELINES, REGULATORY STANDARDS AND NEW INSTITUTIONS TO ENCOURAGE THIS TRANSITION WE HELP IDENTIFY AND DISSEMINATE INFORMATION ON BEST PRACTICES USING CASE EXAMPLES WORLDWIDE WE WORK COOPERATIVELY WITH PUBLIC OFFICIALS AT THE NATIONAL, STATE, AND LOCAL LEVELS TO DEVELOP POLICY INNOVATIONS THAT ARE FINE-TUNED TO LOCAL NEEDS AND CIRCUMSTANCES GENUINE PROGRESS INDICATOR THE GENUINE PROGRESS INDICATOR (GPI) IS ONE OF THE LEADING CANDIDATES FOR SUPPLEMENTING OR REPLACING GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT (GDP) AS AN OVERALL BAROMETER OF ECONOMIC WELLBEING TOGETHER WITH REDEFINING PROGRESS, CSE HELPED PIONEER ADVANCES TO THIS METRIC AND ITS APPLICATION TO ECONOMIC POLICY DECISIONS AT A VERY BASIC LEVEL THE GPI IS DESIGNED TO ANSWER TWO FUNDAMENTAL QUESTIONS ABOUT ECONOMIC ACTIVITY (1) WHAT PORTION OF THAT ACTIVITY IS ACTUALLY MAKING US BETTER OFF, OR IN OTHER WORDS, RELATED TO TRUE ECONOMIC WELL-BEING AND (2) WHAT PORTION OF THAT ACTIVITY IS LIKELY TO BE SUSTAINABLE OVER THE LONG RUN? CSE IS WORKING TO PROMOTE USE OF THE GPI AT THE NATIONAL, STATE, AND LOCAL LEVELS, WORKING WITH PRACTITIONERS INTERNATIONALLY TO IMPROVE THE ACCURACY AND THEORETICAL VALIDITY OF THE GPI AND PIONEERING WAYS TO APPLY GPI IN POLICY SETTINGS ECOLOGICAL FOOTPRINT THE ECOLOGICAL FOOTPRINT IS ONE OF THE WORLDS MOST UBIQUITOUS AND RIGOROUS SUSTAINABILITY METRICS IT PROVIDES A SPATIAL MEASURE OF JUST HOW MUCH NATURE IS BEING APPROPRIATED TO SUPPORT OUR LIFESTYLES, PRODUCTION AND CONSUMPTION ACTIVITIES AND ASSIMILATE OUR WASTES CSE HELPS GOVERNMENTS, NON-PROFITS, UNIVERSITIES, AND BUSINESSES ADAPT THE ECOLOGICAL FOOTPRINT TO HELP MEASURE SUSTAINABILITY PERFORMANCE WE USE ECOLOGICAL FOOTPRINT ANALYSIS TO HELP IDENTIFY MEASURES THAT CAN REDUCE THEIR IMPACT ON THE PLANET SUSTAINABILITY ONLINE CENTER FOR SUSTAINABLE ECONOMY PROVIDES INTERACTIVE TOOLS FOR GOVERNMENT, BUSINESS, AND EDUCATORS SEEKING TO UTILIZE THE VAST POWER OF THE WEB TO PROMOTE SUSTAINABLE DECISION-MAKING AND ADVANCE ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION WE HOST ONE OF THE WORLDS MOST POPULAR ECOLOGICAL FOOTPRINT CALCULATORS TO HELP GUIDE SUSTAINABLE LIFESTYLE CHOICES WE DESIGN ECOLOGICAL FOOTPRINT CALCULATORS TO DEMONSTRATE THE BENEFITS OF GREEN PRODUCTS WE HELP DEVELOP AND MANAGE SUSTAINABILITY CHALLENGES FOR STUDENTS AND EMPLOYEES AND WE HAVE DESIGNED ON-LINE SUSTAINABILITY COURSES AND CURRICULUM MODULES ADDRESSING THE ECOLOGICAL FOOTPRINT, GPI, AND GREEN INFRASTRUCTURE ACCOMPLISHMENTS IN 2014 INCLUDED BALTIMORE GPI 2012 AND 2013IN THE FIRST CITY-LEVEL ANALYSIS OF ITS KIND IN MARYLAND, THE CENTER FOR SUSTAINABLE ECONOMY (CSE) FOUND BALTIMORES ECONOMY WELL ON THE WAY TO ECONOMIC RECOVERY TAKING INTO ACCOUNT SOCIAL AND ENVIRONMENTAL COSTS AS WELL AS THE BENEFITS ASSOCIATED WITH CONSUMER SPENDING, INFRASTRUCTURE AND UNPAID LABOR THE ANALYSIS UTILIZED THE FIRST ITERATION OF THE GENUINE PROGRESS INDICATOR (GPI) FOR BALTIMORE, A METRIC ADOPTED BY GOVERNOR OMALLEY IN 2010 AT THE STATE LEVEL TO MEASURE ECONOMIC PERFORMANCE IN A MORE COMPREHENSIVE MANNER THAN CONVENTIONAL APPROACHES USING THE GPI, CSE FOUND THAT BETWEEN 2012 AND 2013 ECONOMIC WELLBEING OF BALTIMORES HOUSEHOLDS GREW BY NEARLY 5% A RATE MUCH HIGHER THAN THE GROWTH IN GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT (GDP) PER CAPITA, WHICH HOVERED AROUND 1 5% DURING THE SAME PERIOD FOR THE BALTIMORE-TOWSON METROPOLITAN AREA GENUINE PROGRESS BENEFITS OF MARYLANDS MINIMUM WAGE ACTRAISING THE MINIMUM WAGE IS A BIG WIN FOR WORKERS, COMMUNITIES, AND BUSINESS DECADES OF EXPERIENCE WITH STATE-LEVEL WAGE INCREASES BEARS THIS OUT WELL, BUT OFTEN THIS REALITY IS DROWNED OUT BY THE CLAMOR OF CORPORATE PROFITEERS WHO HAVE DONE A PRETTY GOOD JOB SO FAR AT SHOWING THEIR DISDAIN FOR LOW-WAGE WORKERS AND THWARTING FEDERAL LEGISLATION THINK TANKS LIKE THE ECONOMIC POLICY INSTITUTE HAVE HELPED INFORM THIS FAR TOO CONTENTIOUS DEBATE WITH SOLID ECONOMIC ANALYSIS EPI ESTIMATES THAT RAISING THE FEDERAL MINIMUM WAGE TO \$10 10 BY JULY 1, 2016 WOULD RAISE THE WAGE OF ABOUT 28 MILLION WORKERS BY ABOUT \$35 BILLION AND CREATE ABOUT 85,000 NEW JOBS BUT THESE CONVENTIONAL METRICS ONLY SCRATCH AT THE SURFACE OF DEEPER ECONOMIC BENEFITS BETTER CAPTURED IN MORE COMPREHENSIVE METRICS LIKE THE GENUINE PROGRESS INDICATOR (GPI) THE GPI WAS ADOPTED IN MARYLAND BY GOVERNOR OMALLEY IN 2010 TO PROVIDE A MORE MEANINGFUL MEASURE OF ECONOMIC PERFORMANCE THAN GROSS STATE PRODUCT (GSP), THE STATE-LEVEL VARIANT OF GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT (GDP) UNLIKE GSP, THE GPI TAKES THE COSTS OF INEQUALITY INTO ACCOUNT AS WELL AS A WIDE RANGE OF ENVIRONMENTAL AND SOCIAL COSTS AND BENEFITS THAT HAVE BEARING ON THE ECONOMIC WELLBEING OF AMERICAN HOUSEHOLDS USING THE GPI AS A FRAMEWORK FOR ANALYSIS, CSE HAS JUST RELEASED A STUDY ANALYZING THE ECONOMIC BENEFITS OF MARYLANDS NEW MINIMUM WAGE ACT (HB 275), WHICH RAISES THE WAGE FLOOR FOR MOST EMPLOYEES TO \$10 10 BY 2017 WE FOUND THAT BENEFITS OF HB 275 WILL LIKELY TOP \$2 BILLION A YEAR THESE BENEFITS TAKE THE FORM OF REDUCED COSTS OF INEQUALITY, UNDEREMPLOYMENT, AND CRIME AS WELL AS ENHANCED CONSUMER EXPENDITURES AND SERVICES FROM HOUSEHOLD CAPITAL AS LOWER-WAGE WORKERS EARN ENOUGH TO MAKE IMPROVEMENTS TO THEIR HOMES WHILE THERE WILL BE A SMALL OFFSETTING EFFECT ON THE INCOME SOME BUSINESS OWNERS MAY BRING HOME AND SOME INCREASES IN STATE AND GOVERNMENT PAYROLLS, SUCH COSTS PALE IN COMPARISON WITH ANY OF THE BENEFITS WE QUANTIFIED CLIMATE RISK BONDS CLIMATE RISK BONDS ARE TOOLS NATIONAL, STATE, AND LOCAL GOVERNMENTS CAN USE TO INTERNALIZE THE SOCIAL COSTS OF CARBON EMISSIONS AT THE POINT OF EXTRACTION BONDING REQUIREMENTS FOR RISKY INDUSTRIES ARE NOTHING NEW THEY ALREADY EXIST TO COVER PUBLIC FINANCIAL COSTS THAT MAY ARISE WHEN CORPORATIONS ABANDON THEIR INFRASTRUCTURE BEFORE DISMANTLING IT OR EXPERIENCE CATASTROPHIC INDUSTRIAL ACCIDENTS THAT DECIMATE LOCAL COMMUNITIES CLIMATE CHANGE IS THE MOTHER OF ALL PUBLIC FINANCIAL RISKS, AND SO CLIMATE RISK BONDS CAN BE USED TO HELP PROVIDE THE FINANCIAL RESOURCES GOVERNMENTS AT EVERY LEVEL NEED TO PAY FOR THE COSTS OF ADAPTATION AND CLIMATE DISASTER RESPONSE BEFORE ANY NEW OIL, GAS, OR COAL PROJECTS ARE APPROVED, CLIMATE RISK BONDS SHOULD BE REQUIRED AND CAN BE SET AT AN AMOUNT DETERMINED BY THE LIFECYCLE EMISSIONS ATTRIBUTABLE TO THE NEW WELL OR MINE AND THE SOCIAL COST OF CARBON IN COLLABORATION WITH COOK INLETKEEPER IN ALASKA, CSE HAS PREPARED A CONCEPT NOTE DESCRIBING WHAT A CLIMATE RISK BOND PROGRAM IN ALASKA WOULD LOOK LIKE, HOW IT CAN BE JUSTIFIED, AND WHAT PUBLIC FINANCIAL COSTS IT COULD HELP OFFSET WHILE THE CONCEPT NOTE IS ALASKA-SPECIFIC, THE CONCEPT ITSELF IS APPLICABLE TO ANY STATE OR COUNTY THAT AUTHORIZES FOSSIL FUEL EXTRACTION READ ECOLOGICAL FOOTPRINT QUIZCSES ECOLOGICAL FOOTPRINT QUIZ AT MYFOOTPRINT ORG REMAINS ONE OF THE WORLDS MOST POPULAR ON-LINE SUSTAINABILITY TOOLS THIS YEAR, WE CONTINUED TO REACH MILLIONS OF USERS WORLDWIDE IN LATE FALL, CSE INTRODUCED A SUBSCRIPTION-ONLY ACCESS FOR THE QUIZ TO HELP US RAISE THE FUNDING NEEDED FOR A LONG-OVERDUE UPGRADING OF THE QUIZ TO REFLECT THE LATEST METHODS AND SOURCES OF INFORMATION WE EXPECT TO COMPLETE THE UPGRADE IN THE FALL OF 2015 If this amount includes foreign grants, check here . . (Grants \$ 60,207) 29a 30 ADVOCACY CSE IS DEDICATED TO PROMOTING BEST PRACTICES FOR FEDERAL, STATE AND LOCAL AGENCIES WHO ARE LEGALLY BOUND TO JUSTIFY THE ECONOMIC BASIS FOR THEIR DECISIONS AND DEMONSTRATE THAT THEY SERVE THE PUBLIC INTEREST TO THIS END, WE MONITOR, COMMENT AND IF NECESSARY CHALLENGE IN COURT DECISIONS THAT AFFECT THE WELL BEING OF THE NATIONS ECONOMY AND ITS CITIZENS THESE INCLUDE DECISIONS RELATED TO LAND AND RESOURCE MANAGEMENT AND ECONOMIC POLICY WE ALSO HELP LEADERS IN CONGRESS, STATE LEGISLATURES AS WELL AS COUNTY AND CITY COUNCILS AND COMMISSIONS ANALYZE THE IMPACTS OF INNOVATIVE LEGISLATIVE APPROACHES TO SOLVING OUR ECONOMIC CHALLENGES OUR ADVOCACY INITIATIVES ARE GROUPED INTO THREE SEPARATE CATEGORIES LITIGATION CSE HOUSES A TEAM OF EXPERIENCED LAW FELLOWS AND EXPERT WITNESSES THAT CAN HELP ORGANIZATIONS HOLD PUBLIC AGENCIES ACCOUNTABLE FOR THEIR COMMITMENTS TO PROTECT THE ENVIRONMENT, FOSTER EQUITY, AND PROVIDE MEANINGFUL OPPORTUNITIES FOR PUBLIC PARTICIPATION WE HELP DEVELOP AND COORDINATE LITIGATION STRATEGIES THAT ADVANCE SUSTAINABILITY INITIATIVES AND GUARD AGAINST THREATS TO THE QUALITY OF OUR ENVIRONMENT AND ECONOMY OUR FELLOWS LITIGATE UNDER STATUES SUCH AS THE FEDERAL NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY ACT, ENDANGERED SPECIES ACT, NATIONAL FOREST MANAGEMENT ACT, CLEAN WATER ACT, FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT AND THEIR STATE LEVEL COUNTERPARTS OUR EXPERTS BOLSTER THEIR WORK BY SUPPLYING DECLARATIONS IN THE FIELDS OF ENVIRONMENTAL ECONOMICS, CONSERVATION BIOLOGY, AND PLANNING ADMINISTRATIVE PROCESSES PUBLIC DECISIONS AND PLANNING PROCESSES OFTEN REQUIRE EXTENSIVE INVOLVEMENT BY INTERESTED PARTIES AND THE EXPERTISE TO DECIPHER MOUNTAINS OF TECHNICAL INFORMATION CSES ENVIRONMENTAL LAW, ECONOMICS, AND ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY FELLOWS HELP ORGANIZATIONS BE EFFECTIVE IN ADMINISTRATIVE PROCESSES THAT ARE OFTEN EXCEEDINGLY COMPLEX WE PREPARE ADMINISTRATIVE LEVEL COMMENTS AND APPEALS ON BOTH A PROGRAMMATIC AND SITE-SPECIFIC BASIS, AND HELP ORGANIZATIONS DEVELOP SYSTEMS TO MONITOR UPCOMING PROJECTS LEGISLATIVE SUPPORT MAKING THE TRANSITION TO A SUSTAINABLE SOCIETY WILL REQUIRE INNOVATIVE LEGISLATIVE SOLUTIONS IN CONGRESS AND AT THE STATE AND LOCAL LEVELS CSE HELPS DEVELOP AND BUILD SUPPORT FOR THESE SOLUTIONS BY COMMENTING ON LEGISLATIVE LANGUAGE, PROVIDING COMPREHENSIVE ANALYSIS OF PROPOSALS, SPONSORING EDUCATIONAL FORUMS FOR LEGISLATORS, AND TESTIFYING IN HEARINGS WHILE WE DO NOT LOBBY FOR OR AGAINST SPECIFIC LEGISLATIVE PROPOSALS, OUR BROAD EXPERTISE IN ECONOMICS AND SUSTAINABILITY CAN HELP EVALUATE THE EFFICACY OF VARIOUS APPROACHES ACCOMPLISHMENTS IN 2014 LAWSUIT OVER OUTER CONTINENTAL SHELF OIL AND GAS LEASINGIN 2014, CENTER FOR SUSTAINABLE ECONOMY CONTINUED BRIEFING ITS LAWSUIT AGAINST THE OBAMA ADMINISTRATIONS LATEST 5-YEAR PROGRAM TO OPEN NEW AREAS OFFSHORE TO OIL AND GAS LEASING AUTHORIZED BY THE BUREAU OF OCEAN ENERGY MANAGEMENT (BOEM), THE NEW 5-YEAR PROGRAM IS THE FIRST SINCE THE GULF OIL DISASTER THE LAWSUIT WAS FILED IN THE UNITED STATES CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA THE LAWSUIT ARGUES THAT INCOMPLETE AND FLAWED ECONOMIC ANALYSIS LED BOEM TO RUSH AHEAD WITH NEW OFFSHORE LEASES THAT MAY NOT BE ECONOMICALLY JUSTIFIED IN VIOLATION OF THE OUTER CONTINENTAL SHELF LANDS ACT AND NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY ACT CSE ALSO CONTENDS THAT BY FAILING TO ACCOUNT FOR THE OPTION TO WAIT TO LEASE OFFSHORE RESOURCES BOEM HAS SUBJECTED THE AMERICAN PUBLIC TO A HIGHER RISK OF CATASTROPHIC SPILLS WHILE FAILING TO MAXIMIZE BENEFITS FROM LEASE SALES CSE IS REPRESENTED IN THE LAWSUIT BY ENVIRONMENTAL ATTORNEY STEVEN SUGARMAN AND ATTORNEYS WITH THE INSTITUTE FOR POLICY INTEGRITY AT NEW YORK UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW CHALLENGING SUSTAINABILITY CERTIFICATION FOR ILLEGAL LOGGINGIN MANY STATES ITS THREE STRIKES AND YOURE OUT HARSH PENALTIES FOR REPEAT OFFENDERS BUT IN OREGON, YOU CAN BE CITED ELEVEN TIMES IN SIX YEARS FOR VIOLATING LAWS MEANT TO PROTECT SOIL AND WATER FROM CLEARCUTS, SLAPPED WITH TRIVIAL 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(Grants \$ 20,069) 30a 31 Other program services (describe in Schedule O) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here . (Grants \$ ) 31a 32 Total program service expenses (add lines 28a through 31a) 32 133,794 List of Officers, Directors, Trustees, and Key Employees (list each one even if not compensated — see the instructions for Part IV) Part IV (c)Reportable (a) Name and title (b) A verage (d) Health benefits, (e) Estimated amount hours per week compensation contributions to of other compensation (Forms W-2/1099devoted to position employee benefit plans, MISC) (if not paid, and deferred enter-0-) compensation JOHN TALBERTH 40 00 84,000 President RICHARD MIETZ 0 2 0 0 Director

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	instructions for Part V.) Check if the organization used Schedule O. to respond to any question in this Part	<u>v</u>	<u> </u>	*			
			Yes	No			
33	detailed description of each activity in Schedule O						
34	Were any significant changes made to the organizing or governing documents? If "Yes," attach a conformed copy of the amended documents if they reflect a change to the organization's name. Otherwise, explain the change on Schedule O (see instructions)						
35a	a Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year from business activities (such as those reported on lines 2, 6a, and 7a, among others)?						
b	If "Yes," to line 35a, has the organization filed a Form 990-T for the year? If "No," provide an explanation in Schedule O	35b		Νo			
c	Was the organization a section $501(c)(4)$ , $501(c)(5)$ , or $501(c)(6)$ organization subject to section $6033(e)$ notice, reporting, and proxy tax requirements during the year? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part III	35c		No			
36	Did the organization undergo a liquidation, dissolution, termination, or significant disposition of net assets during the year? If "Yes," complete applicable parts of Schedule N	36		No			
37a	Enter amount of political expenditures, direct or indirect, as described in the instructions 🕨 37a						
b	Did the organization file Form 1120-POL for this year?	37b		Νo			
38a	Did the organization borrow from, or make any loans to, any officer, director, trustee, or key employee <b>or</b> were						
	any such loans made in a prior year and still outstanding at the end of the tax year covered by this return?	38a		Νo			
b	If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part II and enter the total amount involved . 38b						
39	Section 501(c)(7) organizations Enter						
а	Initiation fees and capital contributions included on line 9						
b	Gross receipts, included on line 9, for public use of club facilities						
40a	Section 501(c)(3) organizations Enter amount of tax imposed on the organization during the year under						
	section 4911, section 4912, section 4955						
b	<b>b</b> Section 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations Did the organization engage in any section 4958 excess benefit transaction during the year, or did it engage in an excess benefit transaction in a prior year that has not been reported on any of its prior Forms 990 or 990-EZ? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I						
C	Section 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations Enter amount of tax imposed on organization managers or disqualified persons during the year under sections4912, 4955, and 4958						
d	Section 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations Enter amount of tax on line 40c reimbursed by the organization						
e	All organizations At any time during the tax year, was the organization a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction? If "Yes," complete Form 8886-T	40e		No			
41	List the states with which a copy of this return is filed 🕨 MM,OR						
42a	The organization's books are in care of • JOHN TALBERTH Telephone no			-7336			
	Located at 1294 14th Street WEST LINN, OR ZIP + 4	97	7068				
b	At any time during the calendar year, did the organization have an interest in or a signature or other authority		Yes	No			
	over a financial account in a foreign country (such as a bank account, securities account, or other financial account)?	42b	163	No			
	If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country 🕨						
	See the instructions for exceptions and filing requirements for FinCEN Form 114, Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts (FBAR)						
С	At any time during the calendar year, did the organization maintain an office outside the U S ?	42c		No			
	If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country 🕨						
43	Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts filing Form 990-EZ in lieu of <b>Form 1041</b> - Check here and enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the tax year		. •	Г			
			Yes	No			
44a	Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds during the year? If "Yes," Form 990 must be completed instead of		103	110			
.—ru	Form 990-EZ	44a		No			
b	Did the organization operate one or more hospital facilities during the year? If "Yes," Form 990 must be completed instead of Form 990-EZ	44b		No			
С	Did the organization receive any payments for indoor tanning services during the year?	44c		No			
	If "Yes," to line 44c, has the organization filed a Form 720 to report these payments? <i>If "No," provide an</i>			1.5			
	explanation in Schedule O	44d		Νo			
45a	Did the organization have a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)?	45a		Νo			
45b	Did the organization receive any payment from or engage in any transaction with a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? If "Yes," Form 990 and Schedule R may need to be completed instead of Form 990-EZ (see instructions)	45b		No			

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		organization engage, directly ses for public office? If "Yes,"		• •		for in opposition to			No
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		and 51 Check if the organization used	d Schedule O to respond t	o any question in this	s Part VI				Г
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		organization make any transfe					. 49a		No
		was the related organization					. 49b		No
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#### **SCHEDULE A**

(Form 990 or 990EZ)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

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## **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.

► Information about Schedule A (Form 990 or 990-EZ) and its instructions is at <a href="https://www.irs.gov/form990">www.irs.gov/form990</a>.

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Open to Public Inspection

**Employer identification number** Name of the organization Center for Sustainable Economy 36-4541988 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) A church, convention of churches, or association of churches described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(i). 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). 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 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) A federal, state, or local government or governmental unit described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(v). 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) A community trust described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi) (Complete Part II) An organization that normally receives (1) more than 331/3% 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 331/3% 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). 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 in lines 11a through 11d that describes the type of supporting organization and complete lines 11e, 11f, and 11g Type I. A supporting organization operated, supervised, or controlled by its supported organization(s), typically by giving the supported organization(s) the power to regularly appoint or elect a majority of the directors or trustees of the supporting organization You must complete Part IV, Sections A and B. Type II. A supporting organization supervised or controlled in connection with its supported organization(s), by having control or management of the supporting organization vested in the same persons that control or manage the supported organization(s) You must complete Part IV, Sections A and C. Type III functionally integrated. A supporting organization operated in connection with, and functionally integrated with, its supported organization(s) (see instructions) You must complete Part IV, Sections A, D, and E. Type III non-functionally integrated. A supporting organization operated in connection with its supported organization(s) that is not functionally integrated. The organization generally must satisfy a distribution requirement and an attentiveness requirement. (see instructions) You must complete Part IV, Sections A and D, and Part V. Check this box if the organization received a written determination from the IRS that it is a Type I, Type II, Type III functionally integrated, or Type III non-functionally integrated supporting organization Provide the following information about the supported organization(s) (i)Name of supported (ii) EIN (iv) Is the organization (vi) A mount of (iii) Type of (v) A mount of listed in your governing other support (see organization organization monetary support (described on lines document? (see instructions) instructions) 1-9 above or IRC section (see instructions)) Yes No

instructions

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 (a) 2010 **(b)** 2011 (c) 2012 (d) 2013 (f) Total (e) 2014 in) 🟲 1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received (Do not include any "unusual grants ") 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 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 **Public support.** Subtract line 5 from line 4 Section B. Total Support Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning (a) 2010 **(b)** 2011 (c) 2012 (d) 2013 (e) 2014 (f) Total in) 🟲 Amounts from line 4 Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources 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 VI ) 11 Total support Add lines 7 through Gross receipts from related activities, etc. (see instructions) 12 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) 13 Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage Public support percentage for 2014 (line 6, column (f) divided by line 11, column (f)) 14 Public support percentage for 2013 Schedule A, Part II, line 14 15 16a 33 1/3% support test - 2014. If the organization did not check the box on line 13, and line 14 is 33 1/3% or more, check this box and stop here. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization b 33 1/3% support test -2013. 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 17a 10%-facts-and-circumstances test - 2014. 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 VI how the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization b 10%-facts-and-circumstances test - 2013. 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 VI how the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization Private foundation. If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, 16b, 17a, or 17b, check this box and see

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.)

	ction A. Public Support	•	•		, ,	•	,	
Cale	ndar year (or fiscal year beginning in) 🟲	(a) 2010	<b>(b)</b> 2011	<b>(c)</b> 2012	( <b>d)</b> 2013	<b>(e)</b> 2	014	<b>(f)</b> Total
1	Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received (Do not include any "unusual grants")	38,032	57,254	15,891	179,774		168,888	459,839
2	Gross receipts from admissions, merchandise sold or services performed, or facilities furnished in any activity that is related to the organization's tax-exempt purpose	1,850	3,060	29,009	38,601			72,520
3	Gross receipts from activities that are not an unrelated trade or business under section 513							0
4	Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf							0
5	The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge							0
6	<b>Total.</b> Add lines 1 through 5	39,882	60,314	44,900	218,375		168,888	532,359
7a	Amounts included on lines 1, 2, and 3 received from disqualified persons							0
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							0
c 8	Add lines 7a and 7b <b>Public support</b> (Subtract line 7c from line 6)							532,359
Se	ction B. Total Support							
	ndar year (or fiscal year beginning	(a) 2010	<b>(b)</b> 2011	(c) 2012	(d) 2013	(e) 20	14	(f) Total
9	in) ► A mounts from line 6	39,882	60,314	44,900	218,375	(-, -	168,888	532,359
10a	Gross income from interest,	,		,				
	dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources	4	4		6		15	29
b	Unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 taxes) from businesses acquired after June 30, 1975							0
C	Add lines 10a and 10b	4	4		6		15	29
11	Net income from unrelated business activities not included in line 10b, whether or not the business is regularly carried on							0
12	Other income Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part VI)							0
13	<b>Total support.</b> (Add lines 9, 10c, 11, and 12)	39,886	60,318	44,900	218,381		168,903	532,388
14	First five years. If the Form 990 is check this box and stop here			thırd, fourth, or fi	fth tax year as a	section	501(c)(3	) organization, <b>▶</b> ┌
	ction C. Computation of Pub			101 (0)				
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15	Public support percentage for 2014		•	,		-		
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b 33 1/3% support tests—2013. 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 **Private foundation.** If the organization did not check a box on line 14, 19a, or 19b, check this box and see instructions

#### Part IV Supporting Organizations

(Complete only if you checked a box on line 11 of Part I If you checked 11a of Part I, complete Sections A and B If you checked 11b of Part I, complete Sections A and C If you checked 11c of Part I, complete Sections A, D, and E If you checked 11d of Part I, complete Sections A and D, and complete Part V  $\,)$ 

Section A. All Supporting Organizations
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Se	ection A. All Supporting Organizations			
			Yes	No
1	Are all of the organization's supported organizations listed by name in the organization's governing documents? If "No," describe in <b>Part VI</b> how the supported organizations are designated. If designated by class or purpose, describe the designation. If historic and continuing relationship, explain.	1		
2	Did the organization have any supported organization that does not have an IRS determination of status under section $509(a)(1)$ or $(2)$ ? If "Yes," explain in <b>Part VI</b> how the organization determined that the supported organization was described in section $509(a)(1)$ or $(2)$ .	2		
За	Did the organization have a supported organization described in section 501(c)(4), (5), or (6)? If "Yes," answer (b) and (c) below.	За		
b	Did the organization confirm that each supported organization qualified under section 501(c)(4), (5), or (6) and satisfied the public support tests under section 509(a)(2)? If "Yes," describe in <b>Part VI</b> when and how the organization made the determination.	3b		
c	Did the organization ensure that all support to such organizations was used exclusively for section 170(c)(2)(B) purposes? If "Yes," explain in <b>Part VI</b> what controls the organization put in place to ensure such use.	3с		
4a	Was any supported organization not organized in the United States ("foreign supported organization")? If "Yes" and if you checked 11a or 11b in Part I, answer (b) and (c) below.	4a		
b	Did the organization have ultimate control and discretion in deciding whether to make grants to the foreign supported organization? If "Yes," describe in Part VI how the organization had such control and discretion despite being controlled or supervised by or in connection with its supported organizations.	4b		
c	Did the organization support any foreign supported organization that does not have an IRS determination under sections $501(c)(3)$ and $509(a)(1)$ or $(2)^7$ If "Yes," explain in Part VI what controls the organization used to ensure that all support to the foreign supported organization was used exclusively for section $170(c)(2)(B)$ purposes.	4c		
5a	Did the organization add, substitute, or remove any supported organizations during the tax year? If "Yes," answer (b) and (c) below (if applicable). Also, provide detail in Part VI, including (i) the names and EIN numbers of the supported organizations added, substituted, or removed, (ii) the reasons for each such action, (iii) the authority under the organization's organizing document authorizing such action, and (iv) how the action was accomplished (such as by amendment to the organizing document).	5a		
b	<b>Type I or Type II only.</b> Was any added or substituted supported organization part of a class already designated in the organization's organizing document?	5b		
c	Substitutions only. Was the substitution the result of an event beyond the organization's control?	5c		
6	Did the organization provide support (whether in the form of grants or the provision of services or facilities) to anyone other than (a) its supported organizations, (b) individuals that are part of the charitable class benefited by one or more of its supported organizations, or (c) other supporting organizations that also support or benefit one or more of the filing organization's supported organizations? If "Yes," provide detail in <b>Part VI</b> .	6		
7	Did the organization provide a grant, loan, compensation, or other similar payment to a substantial contributor (defined in IRC 4958(c)(3)(C)), a family member of a substantial contributor, or a 35-percent controlled entity with regard to a substantial contributor? If "Yes," complete Part I of Schedule L (Form 990).	7		
8	Did the organization make a loan to a disqualified person (as defined in section 4958) not described in line 7? If "Yes," complete Part II of Schedule L (Form 990).	8		
9a	Was the organization controlled directly or indirectly at any time during the tax year by one or more disqualified persons as defined in section 4946 (other than foundation managers and organizations described in section 509 (a)(1) or (2))? If "Yes," provide detail in <b>Part VI</b> .	9a		
b	Did one or more disqualified persons (as defined in line 9(a)) hold a controlling interest in any entity in which the supporting organization had an interest? <i>If</i> "Yes," provide detail in <b>Part VI</b> .	9b		
c	Did a disqualified person (as defined in line 9(a)) have an ownership interest in, or derive any personal benefit from, assets in which the supporting organization also had an interest? If "Yes," provide detail in <b>Part VI</b> .	9c		
L0a	Was the organization subject to the excess business holdings rules of IRC 4943 because of IRC 4943(f) (regarding certain Type II supporting organizations, and all Type III non-functionally integrated supporting organizations)? If "Yes," answer b below.	10a		
b	Did the organization have any excess business holdings in the tax year? (Use Schedule C, Form 4720, to determine whether the organization had excess business holdings).	10b		
l1	Has the organization accepted a gift or contribution from any of the following persons?			
а	A person who directly or indirectly controls, either alone or together with persons described in (b) and (c) below,			
	the governing body of a supported organization?	11a		
b	A family member of a person described in (a) above?	11b		

c A 35% controlled entity of a person described in (a) or (b) above? If "Yes" to a, b, or c, provide detail in Part VI.

11c

Par	t IV Supporting Organizations (continued)			
Se	ection B. Type I Supporting Organizations			
			Yes	No
1	Did the directors, trustees, or membership of one or more supported organizations have the power to regularly appoint or elect at least a majority of the organization's directors or trustees at all times during the tax year? If "No," describe in <b>Part VI</b> how the supported organization(s) effectively operated, supervised, or controlled the organization's activities. If the organization had more than one supported organization, describe how the powers to appoint and/or remove directors or trustees were allocated among the supported organizations and what conditions or restrictions, if any, applied to such powers during the tax year.	1		
2	Did the organization operate for the benefit of any supported organization other than the supported organization(s) that operated, supervised, or controlled the supporting organization? If "Yes," explain in <b>Part VI</b> how providing such benefit carried out the purposes of the supported organization(s) that operated, supervised or controlled the supporting organization.	2		
Se	ection C. Type II Supporting Organizations			
			Yes	No
1	Were a majority of the organization's directors or trustees during the tax year also a majority of the directors or trustees of each of the organization's supported organization(s)? If "No," describe in <b>Part VI</b> how control or management of the supporting organization was vested in the same persons that controlled or managed the supported organization(s).	1		
Se	ection D. All Type III Supporting Organizations			
			Yes	No
1	Did the organization provide to each of its supported organizations, by the last day of the fifth month of the organization's tax year, (1) a written notice describing the type and amount of support provided during the prior tax year, (2) a copy of the Form 990 that was most recently filed as of the date of notification, and (3) copies of the organization's governing documents in effect on the date of notification, to the extent not previously provided?	1		
2	Were any of the organization's officers, directors, or trustees either (i) appointed or elected by the supported organization(s) or (ii) serving on the governing body of a supported organization? If "No," explain in <b>Part VI</b> how the organization maintained a close and continuous working relationship with the supported organization(s).	2		
3	By reason of the relationship described in (2), did the organization's supported organizations have a significant voice in the organization's investment policies and in directing the use of the organization's income or assets at all times during the tax year? If "Yes," describe in <b>Part VI</b> the role the organization's supported organizations played in this regard.	3		
	sation E. Tuno III Functionally, Interpreted Comparting Openingtions			
	The organization is the parent of each of its supported organizations Complete <b>line 3</b> below			
2	Activities Test Answer (a) and (b) below.		Yes	No
а	Did substantially all of the organization's activities during the tax year directly further the exempt purposes of the supported organization(s) to which the organization was responsive? If "Yes," then in <b>Part VI identify those supported organizations and explain</b> how these activities directly furthered their exempt purposes, how the organization was responsive to those supported organizations, and how the organization determined that these activities constituted substantially all of its activities.	2a		
b	Did the activities described in (a) constitute activities that, but for the organization's involvement, one or more of the organization's supported organization(s) would have been engaged in? If "Yes," explain in <b>Part VI</b> the reasons for the organization's position that its supported organization(s) would have engaged in these activities but for the organization's involvement.	2b		
3	Parent of Supported Organizations Answer (a) and (b) below.			
а	Did the organization have the power to regularly appoint or elect a majority of the officers, directors, or trustees of each of the supported organizations? <i>Provide details in Part VI</i> .	3a		
Ь	Did the organization exercise a substantial degree of direction over the policies, programs and activities of each of its supported organizations? If "Yes," describe in Part VI, the role played by the organization in this regard.	3b		

of its supported organizations? If "Yes," describe in Part VI the role played by the organization in this regard.

### Part V - Type III Non-Functionally Integrated 509(a)(3) Supporting Organizations

1	_	Check here if the organization satisfied the Integral Part Test as a qualifying trust on Nov 20, 1970 See instructions. All other
ype	[]	II non-functionally integrated supporting organizations must complete Sections A through E

	Section A - Adjusted Net Income	(A) Prior Year	(B) Current Year (optional)	
1	Net short-term capital gain	1		
2	Recoveries of prior-year distributions	2		
3	Other gross income (see instructions)	3		
4	Add lines 1 through 3	4		
5	Depreciation and depletion	5		
6	Portion of operating expenses paid or incurred for production or collection of gross income or for management, conservation, or maintenance of property held for production of income (see instructions)	6		
7	Other expenses (see instructions)	7		
8	Adjusted Net Income (subtract lines 5, 6 and 7 from line 4)	8		

	Section B - Minimum Asset Amount		(A) Prior Year	(B) Current Year (optional)
1	Aggregate fair market value of all non-exempt-use assets (see instructions for short tax year or assets held for part of year)	1		
а	Average monthly value of securities	1a		
b	Average monthly cash balances	1b		
c	Fair market value of other non-exempt-use assets	1c		
d	Total (add lines 1a, 1b, and 1c)	1d		
e	<b>Discount</b> claimed for blockage or other factors (explain in detail in Part VI)			
2	Acquisition indebtedness applicable to non-exempt use assets	2		
3	Subtract line 2 from line 1d	3		
4	Cash deemed held for exempt use Enter 1-1/2% of line 3 (for greater amount, see instructions)	4		
5	Net value of non-exempt-use assets (subtract line 4 from line 3)	5		
6	Multiply line 5 by 035	6		
7	Recoveries of prior-year distributions	7		
8	Minimum Asset Amount (add line 7 to line 6)	8		

### Section C - Distributable Amount

- **1** Adjusted net income for prior year (from Section A, line 8, Column A)
- 2 Enter 85% of line 1
- 3 Minimum asset amount for prior year (from Section B, line 8, Column A)
- 4 Enter greater of line 2 or line 3
- 5 Income tax imposed in prior year
- **6 Distributable Amount.** Subtract line 5 from line 4, unless subject to emergency temporary reduction (see instructions)
- 7 Check here if the current year is the organization's first as a non-functionally-integrated Type III supporting organization (see instructions)

	Current Year
1	
2	
3	
4	
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6	

Section D - Distributions	Current Year		
1 Amounts paid to supported organizations to accom	plish exempt purposes		
2 A mounts paid to perform activity that directly furthexcess of income from activity	ers exempt purposes of supp	ported organizations, in	
3 Administrative expenses paid to accomplish exemp	ot purposes of supported org	anızatıons	
4 Amounts paid to acquire exempt-use assets			
5 Qualified set-aside amounts (prior IRS approval rec	nured)		
6 Other distributions (describe in Part VI) See instru	JCTIONS		
7 Total annual distributions. Add lines 1 through 6			
8 Distributions to attentive supported organizations t details in Part VI) See instructions	o which the organization is r	esponsive (provide	
9 Distributable amount for 2014 from Section C, line	6		
10 Line 8 amount divided by Line 9 amount			
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Section E - Distribution Allocations (see instructions)	(i) Excess Distributions	(ii) Underdistributions Pre-2014	(iii) Distributable Amount for 2014
1 Distributable amount for 2014 from Section C, line 6			
2 Underdistributions, if any, for years prior to 2014 (reasonable cause requiredsee instructions)			
3 Excess distributions carryover, if any, to 2014			
<b>a</b> From 2009			
<b>b</b> From 2010			
<b>c</b> From 2011			
d From 2012			
<b>e</b> From 2013			
f Total of lines 3a through e			
g Applied to underdistributions of prior years			
h Applied to 2014 distributable amount  i Carryover from 2009 not applied (see instructions)			
j Remainder Subtract lines 3g, 3h, and 3i from 3f			
4 Distributions for 2014 from Section D, line 7 \$			
A pplied to underdistributions of prior years			
<b>b</b> Applied to 2014 distributable amount			
c Remainder Subtract lines 4a and 4b from 4			
5 Remaining underdistributions for years prior to 2014, if any Subtract lines 3g and 4a from line 2 (if amount greater than zero, see instructions)			
6 Remaining underdistributions for 2014 Subtract lines 3h and 4b from line 1 (if amount greater than zero, see instructions)			
<b>7 Excess distributions carryover to 2015.</b> Add lines 3j and 4c			
8 Breakdown of line 7			
<b>a</b> From 2010			
<b>b</b> From 2011			
<b>c</b> From 2012			
d From 2013			

Part VI Supplemental Information. Provide the explanations required by Part II, line 10; Part II, line 17a or 17b; Part III, line 12; Part IV, Section A, lines 1, 2, 3b, 3c, 4b, 4c, 5a, 6, 9a, 9b, 9c, 11a, 11b, and 11c; Part IV, Section B, lines 1 and 2; Part IV, Section C, line 1; Part IV, Section D, lines 2 and 3; Part IV, Section E, lines 1c, 2a, 2b, 3a and 3b; Part V, line 1; Part V, Section B, line 1e; Part V Section D, lines 5, 6, and 8; and Part V, Section E, lines 2, 5, and 6. Also complete this part for any additional information. (See instructions).

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