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Form **990-EZ**

# Short Form

## Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

OMB No. 1545-1150

**2015**

**Open to Public Inspection**

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

▶ Do not enter social security numbers on this form as it may be made public.

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

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

**A** For the 2015 calendar year, or tax year beginning JAN. 1, 2015, and ending December 31, 2015

**B** Check if applicable:  
☐ Address change  
☐ Name change  
☐ Initial return  
☐ Final return/terminated  
☐ Amended return  
☐ Application pending

**C** Name of organization  
UNITED STEELWORKERS LOCAL 7243  
Number and street (or P.O. box, if mail is not delivered to street address) Room/suite  
P.O. BOX 185  
City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code  
MONTPELIER, OH 43543

**D** Employer identification number  
34-6610030

**E** Telephone number  
260-214-0341

**F** Group Exemption Number ▶ 0260

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

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

**I** Website: ▶ \_\_\_\_\_

**J** Tax-exempt status (check only one) — ☐ 501(c)(3) ☒ 501(c) ( 5 ) ◀ (insert no.) ☐ 4947(a)(1) or ☐ 527

**K** Form of organization: ☐ Corporation ☐ Trust ☐ Association ☒ Other Labor Organization

**L** Add lines 5b, 6c, and 7b to line 9 to determine gross receipts. If gross receipts are \$200,000 or more, or if total assets (Part II, column (B) below) are \$500,000 or more, file Form 990 instead of Form 990-EZ. ▶ \$ 63627

**Part I** Revenue, Expenses, and Changes in Net Assets or Fund Balances (see the instructions for Part I)

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

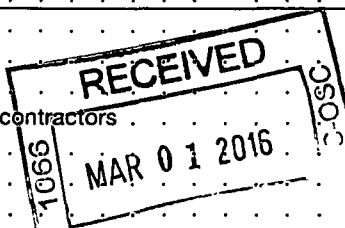
	1	2	3	4	5a	5b	5c	6a	6b	6c	6d	7a	7b	7c	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21				
Revenue	1	Contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts received																														
	2	Program service revenue including government fees and contracts																														
	3	Membership dues and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

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**Part II Balance Sheets** (see the instructions for Part II)Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part II ☐

	(A) Beginning of year	(B) End of year
22 Cash, savings, and investments	58779	68696
23 Land and buildings	0	0
24 Other assets (describe in Schedule O)	6753	6753
25 Total assets	65532	75449
26 Total liabilities (describe in Schedule O)	269	415
27 Net assets or fund balances (line 27 of column (B) must agree with line 21)	65263	75034

**Part III Statement of Program Service Accomplishments** (see the instructions for Part III)Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part III ☐What is the organization's primary exempt purpose? Collective Bargaining

Describe the organization's program service accomplishments for each of its three largest program services, as measured by expenses. In a clear and concise manner, describe the services provided, the number of persons benefited, and other relevant information for each program title.

**Expenses**  
 (Required for section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations; optional for others.)

28	The Local enforced the collective bargaining agreement to better the working conditions of the Local Union and provide representation to its members		
	(Grants \$ ) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here <input type="checkbox"/>	28a	
29			
	(Grants \$ ) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here <input type="checkbox"/>	29a	
30			
	(Grants \$ ) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here <input type="checkbox"/>	30a	
31	Other program services (describe in Schedule O)		
	(Grants \$ ) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here <input type="checkbox"/>	31a	
32	Total program service expenses (add lines 28a through 31a)	32	

**Part IV List of Officers, Directors, Trustees, and Key Employees** (list each one even if not compensated—see the instructions for Part IV)Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part IV ☒

(a) Name and title	(b) Average hours per week devoted to position	(c) Reportable compensation (Forms W-2/1099-MISC) (If not paid, enter -0-)	(d) Health benefits, contributions to employee benefit plans, and deferred compensation	(e) Estimated amount of other compensation
Michael Abbuzzese President		3529		
Steve Taylor President		2444		
Troy Biggenbach Vice President		854		
Stephanie Downing Recording Secretary		1747		
Shane Downing Treasurer		708		
Roland Hoover Treasurer		475		
Andrew Leese Financial Secretary		2776		
Tom Brennan Grievance Chairman		1227		
Randall Phipps Grievance Chairman		1281		
Erin Koch Trustee		914		
Manuel Ibarra Trustee		238		
Jim Borton Trustee		123		

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

	Yes	No
<b>33</b> Did the organization engage in any significant activity not previously reported to the IRS? If "Yes," provide a detailed description of each activity in Schedule O . . . . .	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>34</b> Were any significant changes made to the organizing or governing documents? If "Yes," attach a conformed copy of the amended documents if they reflect a change to the organization's name. Otherwise, explain the change on Schedule O (see instructions) . . . . .	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>35a</b> Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year from business activities (such as those reported on lines 2, 6a, and 7a, among others)? . . . . .	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>b</b> If "Yes," to line 35a, has the organization filed a Form 990-T for the year? If "No," provide an explanation in Schedule O . . . . .	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>c</b> Was the organization a section 501(c)(4), 501(c)(5), or 501(c)(6) organization subject to section 6033(e) notice, reporting, and proxy tax requirements during the year? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part III . . . . .	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>36</b> Did the organization undergo a liquidation, dissolution, termination, or significant disposition of net assets during the year? If "Yes," complete applicable parts of Schedule N . . . . .	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>37a</b> Enter amount of political expenditures, direct or indirect, as described in the instructions ▶ <b>37a</b> -0-	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>b</b> Did the organization file <b>Form 1120-POL</b> for this year? . . . . .	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>38a</b> Did the organization borrow from, or make any loans to, any officer, director, trustee, or key employee or were any such loans made in a prior year and still outstanding at the end of the tax year covered by this return? . . . . .	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>b</b> If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part II and enter the total amount involved . . . . .	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>39</b> Section 501(c)(7) organizations. Enter:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>a</b> Initiation fees and capital contributions included on line 9 . . . . .	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>b</b> Gross receipts, included on line 9, for public use of club facilities . . . . .	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>40a</b> Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Enter amount of tax imposed on the organization during the year under: section 4911 ▶ ; section 4912 ▶ ; section 4955 ▶ . . . . .	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<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 . . . . .	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>c</b> 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 sections 4912, 4955, and 4958 . . . . . ▶ . . . . .	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>d</b> Section 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations. Enter amount of tax on line 40c reimbursed by the organization . . . . . ▶ . . . . .	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>e</b> All organizations. At any time during the tax year, was the organization a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction? If "Yes," complete Form 8886-T . . . . .	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>41</b> List the states with which a copy of this return is filed ▶ . . . . .	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>42a</b> The organization's books are in care of ▶ . . . . . Telephone no. ▶ . . . . . Located at ▶ . . . . . ZIP + 4 ▶ . . . . .	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>b</b> At any time during the calendar year, did the organization have an interest in or a signature or other authority over a financial account in a foreign country (such as a bank account, securities account, or other financial account)? If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country: ▶ . . . . . See the instructions for exceptions and filing requirements for FinCEN Form 114, Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts (FBAR). . . . .	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>c</b> At any time during the calendar year, did the organization maintain an office outside the U.S.? . . . . . If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country: ▶ . . . . .	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>43</b> 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 . . . . . ▶ <b>43</b> . . . . . <input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>44a</b> Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds during the year? If "Yes," Form 990 must be completed instead of Form 990-EZ . . . . .	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>b</b> Did the organization operate one or more hospital facilities during the year? If "Yes," Form 990 must be completed instead of Form 990-EZ . . . . .	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>c</b> Did the organization receive any payments for indoor tanning services during the year? . . . . .	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>d</b> If "Yes" to line 44c, has the organization filed a Form 720 to report these payments? If "No," provide an explanation in Schedule O . . . . .	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>45a</b> Did the organization have a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? . . . . .	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>b</b> Did the organization receive any payment from or engage in any transaction with a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? If "Yes," Form 990 and Schedule R may need to be completed instead of Form 990-EZ (see instructions) . . . . .	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

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

	Yes	No
<b>46</b>		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

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

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

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

**47** Did the organization engage in lobbying activities or have a section 501(h) election in effect during the tax year? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part II . . . . .

	Yes	No
<b>47</b>		
<b>48</b>		
<b>49a</b>		
<b>49b</b>		

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

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

**b** If "Yes," was the related organization a section 527 organization? . . . . .

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

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

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

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

(a) Name and business address of each independent contractor	(b) Type of service	(c) Compensation

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

**52** Did the organization complete Schedule A? **Note:** All section 501(c)(3) organizations must attach a completed Schedule A . . . . . ▶ ☐ Yes ☐ No

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

<b>Sign Here</b>	Signature of officer <u>Andrew Lease</u>	Date <u>2-5-16</u>
	Type or print name and title <u>Andrew Lease Financial Officer</u>	

<b>Paid Preparer Use Only</b>	Print/Type preparer's name	Preparer's signature	Date	Check <input type="checkbox"/> if self-employed	PTIN
	Firm's name ▶	Firm's EIN ▶			
	Firm's address ▶	Phone no ▶			

May the IRS discuss this return with the preparer shown above? See instructions . . . . . ▶ ☐ Yes ☐ No

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

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

Complete to provide information for responses to specific questions on  
Form 990 or 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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Name of the organization

UNITED STEELWORKERS LOCAL 7248

Employer identification number

34-6610030

990 EZ PART I LINE 16 Reimb. Exps 9643 Educ 4034 taxes pd 9932 dues remittance 924 asset purch. 89 deductions <7113> Total 17509

990 EZ PART II LINE 24 LAPTOP COMPUTER, PRINTER, CHAIRS, DESK, FILE CABINETS - TOTAL \$675399

990 EZ PART II LINE 26A-26B BEG TAX LIAB \$269, END TAX LIAB \$415

990EZ PART IV List of officers, directors, trustees, + Key Employees

(A) Name and title

(C) Reportable compensation

Mic Schrom Trustee

1043

Lorrie Gruber Trustee

161

John Kreischer Inside Guard

06

Michael Ryan Inside Guard

00

William Lambert Outside Guard

104

Troy Eriksen Outside Guard

36

Lewis Stough Guide

108