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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**Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

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.

A For the 2015 calendar year, or tax year beginning Jan , 2015, and ending Dec , 20 15	
B Check if applicable: ☐ Address change ☐ Name change ☒ Initial return ☐ Final return/terminated ☐ Amended return ☒ Application pending	C Name of organization MAKERSMITHS INC. Number and street (or P O box, if mail is not delivered to street address) Room/suite 71 Lawson Road Southeast City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code Leesburg, VA 20175-4460
D Employer identification number 47-1939431	
E Telephone number 303-246-0374	
F Group Exemption Number ▶	
G Accounting Method: ☐ Cash ☒ Accrual Other (specify) ▶	
H Check ☒ if the organization is not required to attach Schedule B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF).	
I Website: ▶ http://makersmiths.org/	
J Tax-exempt status (check only one) — ☒ 501(c)(3) ☐ 501(c) () ◀ (insert no.) ☐ 4947(a)(1) or ☐ 527	
K Form of organization: ☒ Corporation ☐ Trust ☐ Association ☐ Other	
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 ▶ \$ 73,253	

Part I Revenue, Expenses, and Changes in Net Assets or Fund Balances (see the instructions for Part I)Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part I ☒

Revenue	1	Contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts received	1	48,175
	2	Program service revenue including government fees and contracts	2	878
	3	Membership dues and assessments	3	24,200
	4	Investment income	4	0
	5a	Gross amount from sale of assets other than inventory 5a	0	
	b	Less: cost or other basis and sales expenses 5b	0	
	c	Gain or (loss) from sale of assets other than inventory (Subtract line 5b from line 5a) 5c	0	
	6	Gaming and fundraising events		
	a	Gross income from gaming (attach Schedule G if greater than \$15,000) 6a	0	
b	Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ of contributions from fundraising events reported on line 1) (attach Schedule G if the sum of such gross income and contributions exceeds \$15,000) 6b	0		
c	Less: direct expenses from gaming and fundraising events 6c	0		
d	Net income or (loss) from gaming and fundraising events (add lines 6a and 6b and subtract line 6c) 6d	0		
Revenue	7a	Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances 7a	0	
	b	Less: cost of goods sold 7b	0	
	c	Gross profit or (loss) from sales of inventory (Subtract line 7b from line 7a) 7c	0	
	8	Other revenue (describe in Schedule O) 8	0	
	9	Total revenue. Add lines 1, 2, 3, 4, 5c, 6d, 7c, and 8 ▶ 9	73,253	
Expenses	10	Grants and similar amounts paid (list in Schedule O) 10	500	
	11	Benefits paid to or for members 11	0	
	12	Salaries, other compensation, and employee benefits 12	0	
	13	Professional fees and other payments to independent contractors 13	0	
	14	Occupancy, rent, utilities, and maintenance 14	23,148	
	15	Printing, publications, postage, and shipping 15	80	
	16	Other expenses (describe in Schedule O) 16	12,385	
	17	Total expenses. Add lines 10 through 16 ▶ 17	36,113	
Net Assets	18	Excess or (deficit) for the year (Subtract line 17 from line 9) 18	37,140	
	19	Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (from line 27, column (A)) (must agree with end-of-year figure reported on prior year's return) 19	765	
	20	Other changes in net assets or fund balances (explain in Schedule O) 20	0	
	21	Net assets or fund balances at end of year. Combine lines 18 through 20 ▶ 21	37,905	

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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	3,535	22 32,197
23	Land and buildings	0	23 0
24	Other assets (describe in Schedule O)	0	24 27,102
25	Total assets	3,535	25 59,300
26	Total liabilities (describe in Schedule O)	2,770	26 21,394
27	Net assets or fund balances (line 27 of column (B) must agree with line 21)	765	27 37,905

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?	Educational and Scientific
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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	Provided a community makerspace where people can learn, teach, make and collaborate on making things. Over 200 members of the community used the facility.		
	(Grants \$ _____) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here ☐	28a	27,601
29	Provide programming such as classes, events, and other activities that instruct people in how to make things. Over 100 classes/programs on subjects like sewing, wood working, laser etching were conducted.		
	(Grants \$ _____) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here ☐	29a	4,460
30	Promoted making to our core audiences in the community: students (of all ages), prototyping entrepreneurs, enthusiasts (hobbyists), artists, and other community organizations whose mission aligns with our non profit mission.		
	(Grants \$ _____ 500) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here ☐	30a	4,053
31	Other program services (describe in Schedule O) ☐		
	(Grants \$ _____) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here ☐	31a	
32	Total program service expenses (add lines 28a through 31a) ☐	32	36,113

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 ☐

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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
33 Did the organization engage in any significant activity not previously reported to the IRS? If "Yes," provide a detailed description of each activity in Schedule O	33	✓
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)	34	✓
35a Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year from business activities (such as those reported on lines 2, 6a, and 7a, among others)?	35a	✓
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	
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	✓
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	✓
37a Enter amount of political expenditures, direct or indirect, as described in the instructions ▶ 37a 0		
b Did the organization file Form 1120-POL for this year?	37b	✓
38a Did the organization borrow from, or make any loans to, any officer, director, trustee, or key employee or were any such loans made in a prior year and still outstanding at the end of the tax year covered by this return?	38a	✓
b If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part II and enter the total amount involved	38b	
39 Section 501(c)(7) organizations. Enter:		
a Initiation fees and capital contributions included on line 9	39a	
b Gross receipts, included on line 9, for public use of club facilities	39b	
40a Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Enter amount of tax imposed on the organization during the year under: section 4911 ▶ 0 ; section 4912 ▶ 0 ; section 4955 ▶ 0		
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	40b	✓
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 sections 4912, 4955, and 4958 ▶ 0		
d Section 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations. Enter amount of tax on line 40c reimbursed by the organization ▶ 0		
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	✓
41 List the states with which a copy of this return is filed ▶ None		
42a The organization's books are in care of ▶ John Dubelko Telephone no. ▶ 703 737-0484 Located at ▶ 71 Lawson Road Southeast, Leesburg VA ZIP + 4 ▶ 20175-4446		
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).	42b	✓
c 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: ▶	42c	✓
43 Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts filing Form 990-EZ in lieu of Form 1041 —Check here ▶ ☐ and enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the tax year ▶ 43 0		
44a Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds during the year? If "Yes," Form 990 must be completed instead of Form 990-EZ	44a	✓
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	✓
c Did the organization receive any payments for indoor tanning services during the year?	44c	✓
d If "Yes" to line 44c, has the organization filed a Form 720 to report these payments? If "No," provide an explanation in Schedule O	44d	
45a Did the organization have a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)?	45a	✓
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)	45b	✓

- 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
46		☒

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
47		☒

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

48		☒
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- 49a** Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization?

49a		☒
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- b** If "Yes," was the related organization a section 527 organization?

49b		
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- 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 **0**

- 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 **0**

- 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.

Sign Here

Signature of officer

Date

Pat Scannell, Chairman of the Board of Directors

Type or print name and title

Paid Preparer Use Only

Print/Type preparer's name

Preparer's signature

Date

Check ☐ 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)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Name of the organization

MAKERSMITHS INC.

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.

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Employer identification number

47-1939431

FORM 990-EZ, PART I, LINE 10:

**A GRANT OF \$500 WAS GIVEN TO LOUDEN COUNTY SCHOOLS TO REPLACE STOLEN EQUIPMENT USED BY STUDENTS TO COMPETE IN
ROBOTICS COMPETITIONS.**

FORM 990-EZ, PART I, LINE 16:

**OTHER EXPENSES: SMALL TOOL PURCHASES \$3,943, MARKETING MATERIALS \$2,303, FACILITY BUILD OUT \$1,425, SUPPLIES \$1,302,
INSURANCE \$990, CONFERENCE FEES \$700, TRAVEL \$350, OTHER \$1,366.**

FORM 990-EZ, PART II, LINE 24:

ASSETS: EQUIPMENT (LASER CUTTER) \$22,012, RENT DEPOSITS \$4,890, ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE \$200.

FORM 990-EZ, PART II, LINE 26:

LIABILITIES: CAPITAL LEASE (LASER CUTTER) \$21,394

LATE FILING OF INITIAL RETURN:

**WE APOLOGIZE FOR THE LATE FILING OF THIS INITIAL 990. OUR BOOKKEEPER'S MOTHER BECAME ILL IN MARCH OF 2016 AND
REQUIRED AROUND THE CLOCK CARE. THE BOOKKEEPER RESIGNED A FEW MONTHS LATER AND WE WERE UNABLE TO GET THE
ACCOUNTING RECORDS FROM HER UNTIL LATE SEPTEMBER 2016. ANOTHER VOLUNTEER BOOKKEEPER STEPPED IN, BROUGHT THE
BOOKS UP TO DATE, AND PREPARED THE DRAFT 990. WE REQUEST THAT ANY FINES OR PENALTIES BE WAIVED SO THAT WE CAN
USE OUR LIMITED RESOURCES TO CONTINUE TO BENEFIT THE MAKER COMMUNITY IN THE NORTHERN VIRGINIA AREA. TO PREVENT
THIS FROM HAPPENING AGAIN WE ARE:**

- 1) PLACING ALL ACCOUNTING RECORDS IN A SECURE ELECTRONIC CLOUD ENVIRONMENT THAT CAN BE ACCESSED BY THE
CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS, PRESIDENT AND BOOKKEEPERS.**
- 2) WE HAVE APPOINTED A SECOND VOLUNTEER BOOKKEEPER AND ARE WORKING ON SPLITTING DUTIES FOR INTERNAL CONTROLS
AND CONTINUITY.**
- 3) THE BOOKKEEPERS WILL PRESENT TO THE CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS A DRAFT 990 BY THE 1ST OF APRIL EACH
YEAR AND A TWO-WEEK REVIEW PERIOD BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS WILL START NO LATER THAN 15TH OF APRIL.**
- 4) THE BOOKKEEPER WILL FILE THE 990 BY THE 10TH OF MAY AND NOTIFY THE CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS. IF THIS
DOES NOT HAPPEN BY THE 10TH OF MAY, AN EXTENSION WILL BE FILLED BY THE BOOKKEEPERS AND THE CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD
OF DIRECTORS NOTIFIED.**

Name of the organization

Employer identification number