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Form 990-EZ

Short Form

Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

OMB No 1545-1150

2016

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InspectionDepartment of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

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

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A For the 2016 calendar year, or tax year beginning

January 1, 2016, and ending December 31, 2016

B Check if applicable

Address change
 Name change
 Initial return
 Final return/terminated
 Amended return
 Application pending

C Name of organization

Growth and Opportunity Fund, Inc.

Number and street (or P O box, if mail is not delivered to street address)

Room/suite

403 N. 2nd Street

City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code

Harrisburg, PA 17101

D Employer identification number

46-4605899

E Telephone number

717-602-1080

F Group Exemption
Number ►G Accounting Method. Cash Accrual Other (specify) ►I Website: ► goforpa.orgJ Tax-exempt status (check only one) — 501(c)(3) 501(c) (4) □ (insert no) 4947(a)(1) or 527K 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 ► \$ 130,000

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

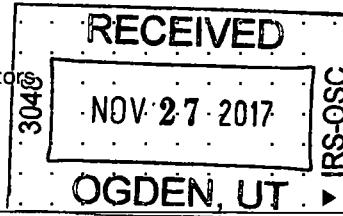
Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part I

Revenue	1 Contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts received	1	130,000
	2 Program service revenue including government fees and contracts	2	0
	3 Membership dues and assessments	3	0
	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 \$ _____ 0 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
	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	130,000
Expenses	10 Grants and similar amounts paid (list in Schedule O)	10	0
	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	132,105
	14 Occupancy, rent, utilities, and maintenance	14	0
	15 Printing, publications, postage, and shipping	15	318
	16 Other expenses (describe in Schedule O)	16	53,312
	17 Total expenses. Add lines 10 through 16	17	185,735
Net Assets	18 Excess or (deficit) for the year (Subtract line 17 from line 9)	18	-55,735
	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	144,976
	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	89,241

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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	144,976	22
23 Land and buildings	0	23
24 Other assets (describe in Schedule O)	0	24
25 Total assets	144,976	25
26 Total liabilities (describe in Schedule O)	0	26
27 Net assets or fund balances (line 27 of column (B) must agree with line 21)	144,976	27
		89,241
		0
		0
		89,241
		0
		89,241

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? **See Schedule O**

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)

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

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.

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 Yes No
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) Yes No
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)? Yes No
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 Yes No
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 Yes No
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 Yes No
36 ✓

37a Enter amount of political expenditures, direct or indirect, as described in the instructions ► **37a** 0
37b ✓

b Did the organization file Form 1120-POL for this year? Yes No

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? Yes No
38a ✓

b If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part II and enter the total amount involved Yes No
38b ✓

39 Section 501(c)(7) organizations. Enter: Yes No
39a ✓

a Initiation fees and capital contributions included on line 9 Yes No
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
40b ✓

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 Yes No
40c ✓

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 Yes No
40d ✓

d Section 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations. Enter amount of tax on line 40c reimbursed by the organization Yes No
40e ✓

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 Yes No

41 List the states with which a copy of this return is filed ►

42a The organization's books are in care of ► **Bob Uber** Telephone no. ► **717-602-1080**
 Located at ► **403 N. 2nd St., Harrisburg, PA** ZIP + 4 ► **17101** Yes No
42b ✓

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).

c At any time during the calendar year, did the organization maintain an office outside the United States? If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country: ►

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** Yes No

44a Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds during the year? If "Yes," Form 990 must be completed instead of Form 990-EZ Yes No
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 Yes No
44b ✓

c Did the organization receive any payments for indoor tanning services during the year? Yes No
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 Yes No
44d ✓

45a Did the organization have a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? Yes No
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) Yes No
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
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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

		Yes	No
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	47	
48	Is the organization a school as described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? If "Yes," complete Schedule E	48	
49a	Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization?	49a	
b	If "Yes," was the related organization a section 527 organization?	49b	
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."		

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.

Sign Here		11/15/2017
	Signature of officer	Date
	D. Eric Lycon, Asst. Secretary	
	Type or print name and title	

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	D. Eric Lycan		11/15/17		P01672958
	Firm's name ► Dinsmore & Shohl LLP		Firm's EIN ►		
Firm's address ► 250 W. Main St., Ste. 1400, Lexington, KY 40507		Phone no	859-425-1047		

May the IRS discuss this return with the preparer shown above? See instructions.

Name of the organization

Growth and Opportunity Fund, Inc.

Employer identification number

46-4605899

Part III. Description of primary exempt purpose:

Growth And Opportunity Fund, Inc. is a not-for-profit corporation dedicated to advocating and educating the public on issues important to the people of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, including free enterprise, limited government, economic growth, and traditional values.

It promotes real policy solutions to create jobs, responsibly develop our plentiful energy resources and empower the private sector to move Pennsylvania forward. Growth And Opportunity Fund will equip the public with information and encourages citizens and policymakers to take action.

Part I, line 15: This expense was for a golf trip that in the past had been used as a fundraiser. No funds were raised directly in connection with the even this year, so its purpose was as a donor appreciation event for donors who had contributed throughout the course of the year.

Part IV: Daniel Meuser resigned as President in September 2017.