

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)

▶ **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.**

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A For the 2016 calendar year, or tax year beginning 01-01-2016, and ending 12-31-2016

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

C Name of organization
 CITIZENS IN CHARGE

Number and street (or P O box, if mail is not delivered to street address) Room/suite
 13168 CENTERPOINTE WAY SUITE 202

City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code
 WOODBRIDGE, VA 22193

D Employer identification number
 54-2051447

E Telephone number
 (703) 492-1776

F Group Exemption Number ▶

G Accounting Method Cash Accrual Other (specify) ▶ _____

I Website: ▶ WWW.CITIZENSINCHARGE.ORG

J Tax-exempt status (check only one) - 501(c)(3) 501(c)(4) ◀ (insert no) 4947(a)(1) or 527

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

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. ▶ \$ 55,994

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	55,994
2	Program service revenue including government fees and contracts	2	
3	Membership dues and assessments	3	
4	Investment income	4	
5a	Gross amount from sale of assets other than inventory	5a	
b	Less cost or other basis and sales expenses	5b	
c	Gain or (loss) from sale of assets other than inventory (Subtract line 5b from line 5a)	5c	
6	Gaming and fundraising events		
a	Gross income from gaming (attach Schedule G if greater than \$15,000)	6a	
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	
c	Less direct expenses from gaming and fundraising events	6c	
d	Net income or (loss) from gaming and fundraising events (add lines 6a and 6b and subtract line 6c)	6d	
7a	Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances	7a	
b	Less cost of goods sold	7b	
c	Gross profit or (loss) from sales of inventory (Subtract line 7b from line 7a)	7c	
8	Other revenue (describe in Schedule O)	8	
9	Total revenue. Add lines 1, 2, 3, 4, 5c, 6d, 7c, and 8 ▶	9	55,994
		Revenue	
		Expenses	
10	Grants and similar amounts paid (list in Schedule O)	10	350,500
11	Benefits paid to or for members	11	
12	Salaries, other compensation, and employee benefits	12	
13	Professional fees and other payments to independent contractors	13	645
14	Occupancy, rent, utilities, and maintenance	14	
15	Printing, publications, postage, and shipping	15	14
16	Other expenses (describe in Schedule O)	16	36,372
17	Total expenses. Add lines 10 through 16 ▶	17	387,531
		Net Assets	
18	Excess or (deficit) for the year (Subtract line 17 from line 9)	18	-331,537
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	-271,087
20	Other changes in net assets or fund balances (explain in Schedule O)	20	
21	Net assets or fund balances at end of year. Combine lines 18 through 20	21	-602,624

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

Table with columns for question number, question text, and Yes/No response columns. Rows include questions 33 through 45b regarding organizational activities, financials, and compliance.

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 46 No

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 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

Table with 5 columns: (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 "

Table with 3 columns: (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 ***** Signature of officer 2017-11-13 Date
PAUL JACOB PRESIDENT Type or print name and title

Paid Preparer Use Only Print/Type preparer's name JAIME L WILFONG Preparer's signature Date 2017-11-14 Check if self-employed PTIN P01061901
Firm's name BRINK KEY & CHLUDZINSKI PC Firm's EIN 38-3061223
Firm's address 1300 W CENTRE AVE STE 200 PORTAGE, MI 49024 Phone no (269) 321-9200

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

Additional Data

Software ID:

Software Version:

EIN: 54-2051447

Name: CITIZENS IN CHARGE

Form 990EZ, Part III - Statement of Program Service Accomplishments

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.)	
<p>28 CONTINUED TO SUPPORT EFFORTS TO PROTECT AND EXPAND THE INITIATIVE AND REFERENDUM PROCESS COMMUNICATED WITH THE GENERAL PUBLIC ABOUT THE NEED FOR AN OPEN AND ACCESSIBLE INITIATIVE AND REFERENDUM PROCESS AND LEADERS WHO SUPPORT CITIZENS' RIGHT TO PETITION THEIR GOVERNMENT THEY ALSO CONTINUED TO BUILD AN INFORMAL NETWORK AND VARIOUS BROAD-BASED COALITIONS TO SUPPORT THE MOVEMENT FINALLY, THEY RESEARCHED AND IDENTIFIED PRO-INITIATIVE SUPPORTERS ACROSS THE COUNTRY TO PROVIDE A RESOURCE BASE</p> <p>(Grants \$ 350,500) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here . . . <input type="checkbox"/></p>	28a	366,001

SCHEDULE O
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

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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Name of the organization
CITIZENS IN CHARGE

Employer identification number

54-2051447

990 Schedule O, Supplemental Information

Return Reference	Explanation
FORM 990-EZ, PART I, LINE 10	SIGNATURE GATHERING COMPANY OF OREG 60646 TETON CT BEND, OR 97702 275,000 0 0 INITIATIVE PETITION 49 - OR 75,000 0 0

990 Schedule O, Supplemental Information

Return Reference	Explanation
FORM 990-EZ, PART I, LINE 16	EXPENSES ADVERTISING/PROMOTIONAL 10,000 OFFICE EXPENSE 420 LEASED EMPLOYEES 25,952 TOTAL 36,372

990 Schedule O, Supplemental Information

Return Reference	Explanation
FORM 990-EZ, PART II, LINE 24	EQUIPMENT 4,490 4,490 LESS ACCUMULATED DEPRECIATION 4,490 4,490 OTHER RECEIVABLE 3,337 3,337 TOTAL 3,337 3,337

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FORM 990-EZ, PART II, LINE 26	ACCOUNTS PAYABLE AND ACCRUED EXPENSES 2,000 0 UNSECURED NOTES AND LOANS PAYABLE 122,000 11 4,000 NOTE PAYABLE - RELATED PARTY 127,197 444,717 NOTE PAYABLE - RELATED PARTY 2 23,756 4 8,208

990 Schedule O, Supplemental Information

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FORM 990-EZ, PART III, LINE 28	CONTINUED TO SUPPORT EFFORTS TO PROTECT AND EXPAND THE INITIATIVE AND REFERENDUM PROCESS COMMUNICATED WITH THE GENERAL PUBLIC ABOUT THE NEED FOR AN OPEN AND ACCESSIBLE INITIATIVE AND REFERENDUM PROCESS AND LEADERS WHO SUPPORT CITIZENS' RIGHT TO PETITION THEIR GOVERNMENT THEY ALSO CONTINUED TO BUILD AN INFORMAL NETWORK AND VARIOUS BROAD-BASED COALITIONS TO SUPPORT THE MOVEMENT FINALLY, THEY RESEARCHED AND IDENTIFIED PRO-INITIATIVE SUPPORTERS ACROSS THE COUNTRY TO PROVIDE A RESOURCE BASE