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Form **990**
Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

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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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
WASHINGTON STATE TRANSIT ASSOCIATION

Doing business as
WSTA

Number and street (or P O box if mail is not delivered to street address) Room/suite
2629 12TH COURT SW

City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code
OLYMPIA, WA 98502

D Employer identification number
91-1152629

E Telephone number

F Name and address of principal officer
TOM HINGSON
2629 12TH COURT SW
OLYMPIA, WA 98502

H(a) Is this a group return for subordinates? Yes No
H(b) Are all subordinates included? Yes No
If "No," attach a list (see instructions)
H(c) Group exemption number ▶

I Tax-exempt status 501(c)(3) 501(c) (4) ◀ (insert no) 4947(a)(1) or 527

J Website: ▶ WWW.WATTRANSIT.COM

K Form of organization Corporation Trust Association Other ▶

L Year of formation 1981 **M** State of legal domicile WA

Part I Summary

1 Briefly describe the organization's mission or most significant activities
TO PROMOTE AND ENHANCE PUBLIC TRANSIT FOR THE CITIZENS OF WASHINGTON WSTA ADVOCATES FOR STATE LEGISLATION BENEFICIAL TO PUBLIC TRANSIT, FOSTERS THE PROFESSIONAL GROWTH AND DEVELOPMENT OF TRANSIT PROFESSIONALS, AND PROVIDES OUTREACH AND EDUCATION ABOUT PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION ON BEHALF OF OUR MEMBERS

2 Check this box if the organization discontinued its operations or disposed of more than 25% of its net assets

3 Number of voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1a)	3	32
4 Number of independent voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1b)	4	32
5 Total number of individuals employed in calendar year 2016 (Part V, line 2a)	5	5
6 Total number of volunteers (estimate if necessary)	6	
7a Total unrelated business revenue from Part VIII, column (C), line 12	7a	0
b Net unrelated business taxable income from Form 990-T, line 34	7b	

	Prior Year	Current Year
8 Contributions and grants (Part VIII, line 1h)	491,700	528,778
9 Program service revenue (Part VIII, line 2g)	241,868	138,065
10 Investment income (Part VIII, column (A), lines 3, 4, and 7d)	644	1,778
11 Other revenue (Part VIII, column (A), lines 5, 6d, 8c, 9c, 10c, and 11e)		0
12 Total revenue—add lines 8 through 11 (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	734,212	668,621

13 Grants and similar amounts paid (Part IX, column (A), lines 1-3)		0
14 Benefits paid to or for members (Part IX, column (A), line 4)		0
15 Salaries, other compensation, employee benefits (Part IX, column (A), lines 5-10)	301,540	305,056
16a Professional fundraising fees (Part IX, column (A), line 11e)		0
b Total fundraising expenses (Part IX, column (D), line 25) ▶ 0		
17 Other expenses (Part IX, column (A), lines 11a-11d, 11f-24e)	379,770	357,328
18 Total expenses Add lines 13-17 (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	681,310	662,384
19 Revenue less expenses Subtract line 18 from line 12	52,902	6,237

	Beginning of Current Year	End of Year
20 Total assets (Part X, line 16)	466,249	479,754
21 Total liabilities (Part X, line 26)	14,215	21,483
22 Net assets or fund balances Subtract line 21 from line 20	452,034	458,271

Part II Signature Block

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: 2017-07-24
JUSTIN LEIGHTON EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
Type or print name and title

Paid Preparer Use Only
Print/Type preparer's name: PATRICIA PICH
Preparer's signature: PATRICIA PICH
Date: 2017-07-24
Check if self-employed
PTIN: P01558603
Firm's name: PATRICIA L PICH CPA PLLC
Firm's EIN: 81-4135216
Firm's address: 300 DESCHUTES WAY SW STE 312
TUMWATER, WA 985017719
Phone no: (360) 339-7867

Part III Statement of Program Service Accomplishments

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part III

1 Briefly describe the organization's mission

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2 Did the organization undertake any significant program services during the year which were not listed on the prior Form 990 or 990-EZ? Yes No

If "Yes," describe these new services on Schedule O

3 Did the organization cease conducting, or make significant changes in how it conducts, any program services? Yes No

If "Yes," describe these changes on Schedule O

4 Describe the organization's program service accomplishments for each of its three largest program services, as measured by expenses Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations are required to report the amount of grants and allocations to others, the total expenses, and revenue, if any, for each program service reported

4a (Code) (Expenses \$ 384,640 including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)
See Additional Data















4b (Code) (Expenses \$ 195,053 including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)
See Additional Data

4c (Code) (Expenses \$ including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)

4d Other program services (Describe in Schedule O)
(Expenses \$ including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)

4e Total program service expenses ▶ 579,693

Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules

	Yes	No
1 Is the organization described in section 501(c)(3) or 4947(a)(1) (other than a private foundation)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule A</i>		No
2 Is the organization required to complete <i>Schedule B, Schedule of Contributors</i> (see instructions)? 	Yes	
3 Did the organization engage in direct or indirect political campaign activities on behalf of or in opposition to candidates for public office? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part I</i>		No
4 Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Did the organization engage in lobbying activities, or have a section 501(h) election in effect during the tax year? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part II</i>		
5 Is the organization a section 501(c)(4), 501(c)(5), or 501(c)(6) organization that receives membership dues, assessments, or similar amounts as defined in Revenue Procedure 98-19? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part III</i>		No
6 Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds or any similar funds or accounts for which donors have the right to provide advice on the distribution or investment of amounts in such funds or accounts? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part I</i> 		No
7 Did the organization receive or hold a conservation easement, including easements to preserve open space, the environment, historic land areas, or historic structures? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part II</i> 		No
8 Did the organization maintain collections of works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part III</i> 		No
9 Did the organization report an amount in Part X, line 21 for escrow or custodial account liability, serve as a custodian for amounts not listed in Part X, or provide credit counseling, debt management, credit repair, or debt negotiation services? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part IV</i> 		No
10 Did the organization, directly or through a related organization, hold assets in temporarily restricted endowments, permanent endowments, or quasi-endowments? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part V</i> 		No
11 If the organization's answer to any of the following questions is "Yes," then complete Schedule D, Parts VI, VII, VIII, IX, or X as applicable a Did the organization report an amount for land, buildings, and equipment in Part X, line 10? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VI</i> 	Yes	
b Did the organization report an amount for investments—other securities in Part X, line 12 that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VII</i> 		No
c Did the organization report an amount for investments—program related in Part X, line 13 that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VIII</i> 		No
d Did the organization report an amount for other assets in Part X, line 15 that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part IX</i> 		No
e Did the organization report an amount for other liabilities in Part X, line 25? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X</i> 		No
f Did the organization's separate or consolidated financial statements for the tax year include a footnote that addresses the organization's liability for uncertain tax positions under FIN 48 (ASC 740)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X</i> 		No
12a Did the organization obtain separate, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Parts XI and XII</i> 	Yes	
b Was the organization included in consolidated, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? <i>If "Yes," and if the organization answered "No" to line 12a, then completing Schedule D, Parts XI and XII is optional</i> 		No
13 Is the organization a school described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule E</i>		No
14a Did the organization maintain an office, employees, or agents outside of the United States?		No
b Did the organization have aggregate revenues or expenses of more than \$10,000 from grantmaking, fundraising, business, investment, and program service activities outside the United States, or aggregate foreign investments valued at \$100,000 or more? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts I and IV</i>		No
15 Did the organization report on Part IX, column (A), line 3, more than \$5,000 of grants or other assistance to or for any foreign organization? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts II and IV</i>		No
16 Did the organization report on Part IX, column (A), line 3, more than \$5,000 of aggregate grants or other assistance to or for foreign individuals? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts III and IV</i>		No
17 Did the organization report a total of more than \$15,000 of expenses for professional fundraising services on Part IX, column (A), lines 6 and 11e? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part I</i> (see instructions)		No
18 Did the organization report more than \$15,000 total of fundraising event gross income and contributions on Part VIII, lines 1c and 8a? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part II</i>		No
19 Did the organization report more than \$15,000 of gross income from gaming activities on Part VIII, line 9a? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part III</i>		No

Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules (continued)

Table with 3 columns: Question ID, Question Text, Yes, No. Rows include 20a through 38, covering various organizational requirements and schedules.

Part V Statements Regarding Other IRS Filings and Tax Compliance

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part V

Table with columns for question ID, question text, and Yes/No response boxes. Includes sections for backup withholding, employee reporting, foreign accounts, prohibited tax shelter transactions, deductible contributions, and nonprofit health insurance issuers.

Part VI Governance, Management, and Disclosure For each "Yes" response to lines 2 through 7b below, and for a "No" response to lines 8a, 8b, or 10b below, describe the circumstances, processes, or changes in Schedule O See instructions

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part VI [X]

Section A. Governing Body and Management

Table with 3 columns: Question, Yes, No. Rows include: 1a (32), 1b (32), 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7a (Yes), 7b (Yes), 8a (Yes), 8b (Yes), 9 (No).

Section B. Policies (This Section B requests information about policies not required by the Internal Revenue Code.)

Table with 3 columns: Question, Yes, No. Rows include: 10a, 10b, 11a (Yes), 12a (Yes), 12b (Yes), 12c (Yes), 13 (Yes), 14 (Yes), 15a (Yes), 15b (Yes), 16a (No), 16b.

Section C. Disclosure

Table with 3 columns: Question, Yes, No. Rows include: 17, 18 (Own website, Another's website, Upon request, Other), 19, 20 (WSTA 2629 12TH COURT SW OLYMPIA, WA 98502 (360) 786-9734).

Part VIII Statement of Revenue

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part VIII

		(A) Total revenue	(B) Related or exempt function revenue	(C) Unrelated business revenue	(D) Revenue excluded from tax under sections 512-514	
Contributions, Gifts, Grants and Other Similar Amounts	1a Federated campaigns	1a				
	b Membership dues	1b	497,001			
	c Fundraising events	1c				
	d Related organizations	1d				
	e Government grants (contributions)	1e	31,777			
	f All other contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts not included above	1f				
	g Noncash contributions included in lines 1a-1f \$ _____					
	h Total. Add lines 1a-1f		528,778			
Program Service Revenue		Business Code				
	2a MEETINGS AND EVENTS		112,051	112,051		
	b ROADEO EVENT		26,014	26,014		
	c _____					
	d _____					
	e _____					
	f All other program service revenue					
g Total. Add lines 2a-2f		138,065				
Other Revenue	3 Investment income (including dividends, interest, and other similar amounts)		1,778	1,778		
	4 Income from investment of tax-exempt bond proceeds					
	5 Royalties					
	6a Gross rents	(i) Real				
		(ii) Personal				
		b Less rental expenses				
		c Rental income or (loss)				
	d Net rental income or (loss)					
	7a Gross amount from sales of assets other than inventory	(i) Securities				
		(ii) Other				
		b Less cost or other basis and sales expenses				
		c Gain or (loss)				
	d Net gain or (loss)					
	8a Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ _____ of contributions reported on line 1c) See Part IV, line 18	a				
		b Less direct expenses	b			
		c Net income or (loss) from fundraising events				
	9a Gross income from gaming activities See Part IV, line 19	a				
b Less direct expenses		b				
c Net income or (loss) from gaming activities						
10a Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances	a					
	b Less cost of goods sold	b				
	c Net income or (loss) from sales of inventory					
Miscellaneous Revenue	Business Code					
11a						
b						
c						
d All other revenue						
e Total. Add lines 11a-11d						
12 Total revenue. See Instructions		668,621	139,843			

Part IX Statement of Functional Expenses

Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations must complete all columns. All other organizations must complete column (A)

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part IX

	(A) Total expenses	(B) Program service expenses	(C) Management and general expenses	(D) Fundraising expenses
Do not include amounts reported on lines 6b, 7b, 8b, 9b, and 10b of Part VIII.				
1 Grants and other assistance to domestic organizations and domestic governments. See Part IV, line 21				
2 Grants and other assistance to domestic individuals. See Part IV, line 22				
3 Grants and other assistance to foreign organizations, foreign governments, and foreign individuals. See Part IV, line 15 and 16				
4 Benefits paid to or for members				
5 Compensation of current officers, directors, trustees, and key employees				
6 Compensation not included above, to disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)) and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B)				
7 Other salaries and wages	248,184	195,756	52,428	
8 Pension plan accruals and contributions (include section 401 (k) and 403(b) employer contributions)				
9 Other employee benefits	36,529	29,447	7,082	
10 Payroll taxes	20,343	16,529	3,814	
11 Fees for services (non-employees)				
a Management				
b Legal				
c Accounting				
d Lobbying	105,000	105,000		
e Professional fundraising services. See Part IV, line 17				
f Investment management fees				
g Other (If line 11g amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A) amount, list line 11g expenses on Schedule O)				
12 Advertising and promotion				
13 Office expenses	11,576	10,042	1,534	
14 Information technology	1,750	1,575	175	
15 Royalties				
16 Occupancy	18,000	16,200	1,800	
17 Travel	23,872	23,872		
18 Payments of travel or entertainment expenses for any federal, state, or local public officials				
19 Conferences, conventions, and meetings	120,517	120,211	306	
20 Interest				
21 Payments to affiliates				
22 Depreciation, depletion, and amortization	2,293	1,812	481	
23 Insurance	582		582	
24 Other expenses. Itemize expenses not covered above (List miscellaneous expenses in line 24e. If line 24e amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A) amount, list line 24e expenses on Schedule O.)				
a PUBLIC OUJTREACH	40,000	40,000		
b DUES & SUBSCRIPTIONS	17,419	13,064	4,355	
c PROFESSIONAL SVCS	7,500		7,500	
d GRANT EXPENDITURES	5,885	5,885		
e All other expenses	2,934	300	2,634	
25 Total functional expenses. Add lines 1 through 24e	662,384	579,693	82,691	0
26 Joint costs. Complete this line only if the organization reported in column (B) joint costs from a combined educational campaign and fundraising solicitation. Check here <input type="checkbox"/> if following SOP 98-2 (ASC 958-720)				

Part X Balance Sheet

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part IX

		(A) Beginning of year		(B) End of year	
Assets	1 Cash—non-interest-bearing	445,639	1	472,500	
	2 Savings and temporary cash investments		2		
	3 Pledges and grants receivable, net	14,629	3	3,566	
	4 Accounts receivable, net		4		
	5 Loans and other receivables from current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, and highest compensated employees Complete Part II of Schedule L		5		
	6 Loans and other receivables from other disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)), persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B), and contributing employers and sponsoring organizations of section 501(c)(9) voluntary employees' beneficiary organizations (see instructions) Complete Part II of Schedule L		6		
	7 Notes and loans receivable, net		7		
	8 Inventories for sale or use		8		
	9 Prepaid expenses and deferred charges		9		
	10a Land, buildings, and equipment cost or other basis Complete Part VI of Schedule D	17,601			
	b Less accumulated depreciation	13,913	5,981	10c	3,688
	11 Investments—publicly traded securities		11		
	12 Investments—other securities See Part IV, line 11		12		
	13 Investments—program-related See Part IV, line 11		13		
	14 Intangible assets		14		
	15 Other assets See Part IV, line 11		15		
16 Total assets. Add lines 1 through 15 (must equal line 34)	466,249	16	479,754		
Liabilities	17 Accounts payable and accrued expenses	14,215	17	21,483	
	18 Grants payable		18		
	19 Deferred revenue		19		
	20 Tax-exempt bond liabilities		20		
	21 Escrow or custodial account liability Complete Part IV of Schedule D		21		
	22 Loans and other payables to current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, highest compensated employees, and disqualified persons Complete Part II of Schedule L		22		
	23 Secured mortgages and notes payable to unrelated third parties		23		
	24 Unsecured notes and loans payable to unrelated third parties		24		
	25 Other liabilities (including federal income tax, payables to related third parties, and other liabilities not included on lines 17-24) Complete Part X of Schedule D		25		
	26 Total liabilities. Add lines 17 through 25	14,215	26	21,483	
Net Assets or Fund Balances	27 Organizations that follow SFAS 117 (ASC 958), check here <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 27 through 29, and lines 33 and 34. Unrestricted net assets	452,034	27	458,271	
	28 Temporarily restricted net assets		28		
	29 Permanently restricted net assets		29		
	30 Organizations that do not follow SFAS 117 (ASC 958), check here <input type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 30 through 34. Capital stock or trust principal, or current funds		30		
	31 Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, building or equipment fund		31		
	32 Retained earnings, endowment, accumulated income, or other funds		32		
	33 Total net assets or fund balances	452,034	33	458,271	
	34 Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances	466,249	34	479,754	

Part XI Reconciliation of Net Assets

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part XI

1	Total revenue (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	1	668,621
2	Total expenses (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	2	662,384
3	Revenue less expenses Subtract line 2 from line 1	3	6,237
4	Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (must equal Part X, line 33, column (A))	4	452,034
5	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	5	
6	Donated services and use of facilities	6	
7	Investment expenses	7	
8	Prior period adjustments	8	
9	Other changes in net assets or fund balances (explain in Schedule O)	9	
10	Net assets or fund balances at end of year Combine lines 3 through 9 (must equal Part X, line 33, column (B))	10	458,271

Part XII Financial Statements and Reporting

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part XII

	Yes	No
<p>1 Accounting method used to prepare the Form 990 <input type="checkbox"/> Cash <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Accrual <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ If the organization changed its method of accounting from a prior year or checked "Other," explain in Schedule O</p>		
<p>2a Were the organization's financial statements compiled or reviewed by an independent accountant? If 'Yes,' check a box below to indicate whether the financial statements for the year were compiled or reviewed on a separate basis, consolidated basis, or both</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Separate basis <input type="checkbox"/> Consolidated basis <input type="checkbox"/> Both consolidated and separate basis</p>	Yes	
<p>b Were the organization's financial statements audited by an independent accountant? If 'Yes,' check a box below to indicate whether the financial statements for the year were audited on a separate basis, consolidated basis, or both</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Separate basis <input type="checkbox"/> Consolidated basis <input type="checkbox"/> Both consolidated and separate basis</p>		No
<p>c If "Yes," to line 2a or 2b, does the organization have a committee that assumes responsibility for oversight of the audit, review, or compilation of its financial statements and selection of an independent accountant? If the organization changed either its oversight process or selection process during the tax year, explain in Schedule O</p>		
<p>3a As a result of a federal award, was the organization required to undergo an audit or audits as set forth in the Single Audit Act and OMB Circular A-133?</p>		No
<p>b If "Yes," did the organization undergo the required audit or audits? If the organization did not undergo the required audit or audits, explain why in Schedule O and describe any steps taken to undergo such audits</p>		

Additional Data

Software ID:

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Name: WASHINGTON STATE TRANSIT
ASSOCIATION

Form 990 (2016)

Form 990, Part III, Line 4a:

MEMBER SERVICES, MEETINGS AND EVENTS THE WASHINGTON STATE TRANSIT ASSOCIATION (WSTA) MEMBERS CONSIST OF 29 PUBLIC TRANSIT AGENCIES AND THE WASHINGTON STATE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION WSTA ORGANIZES OVER 50 MEETINGS PER YEAR FOR THE WSTA BOARD AND THE 12 STANDING COMMITTEES MADE UP OF TRANSIT PROFESSIONALS FROM OUR MEMBER AGENCIES WSTA ALSO ORGANIZES SPECIAL EVENTS, INCLUDING AN ANNUAL SPRING MAINTENANCE VENDOR FORUM, ANNUAL PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION ROADEO, AND IN ALTERNATING YEARS A STATEWIDE PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION SYMPOSIUM AND MARKETING & COMMUNICATION EXCHANGE MANY OF WSTA'S ASSOCIATE MEMBERS PARTICIPATE IN WSTA EVENTS WSTA PRODUCES A WEEKLY NEWSLETTER FOR MEMBERS AND ASSOCIATE MEMBERS AND PROVIDES OTHER MEMBER SERVICES AS APPROPRIATE CONSITENT WITH THE WSTA MISSION AND VISION

Form 990, Part III, Line 4b:

LEGISLATIVE AND PUBLIC OUTREACH THE WASHINGTON STATE TRANSIT ASSOCIATION (WSTA) MEMBERS WORK TOGETHER TO DEVELOP A STATE LEGISLATIVE AGENDA AND THEN WORK TOGETHER (MEMBERS, WSTA EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, AND WSTA AND SMTA (A CAUCUS OF WSTA) CONTRACT LOBBYISTS) TO PURSUE THE LEGISLATIVE AGENDA WSTA PROVIDES EDUCATIONAL INFORMATION AND BRIEFINGS, AS WELL AS A CENTRAL POINT OF CONTACT TO LEGISLATORS, LEGISLATIVE STAFF, AND THE GOVERNOR'S OFFICE AND STAFF, AND STATE AGENCIES AS NEEDED, WSTA PREPARES COMMENTS ON PROPOSED STATE LAWS, RULES, AND BUDGET PROPOSALS, AND FUNDING PACKAGES WSTA PROVIDES WEEKLY UPDATES AND CALLS TO KEEP MEMBERS INFORMED OF LEGISLATIVE ACTIVITIES DURING THE STATE LEGISLATIVE SESSION WSTA PARTICIPATES IN LEGISLATIVE STUDIES RELATED TO PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION OCCASIONALLY, WSTA PROVIDES LEGISLATIVE UPDATES TO MEMBERS REGARDING ISSUES AT THE FEDERAL LEVEL AND MAY PREPARE COMMENT LETTERS ON BEHALF OF MEMBERS WSTA ALSO COLLABORATES WITH OTHER PARTNERS TO PROVIDE OUTREACH AND EDUCATION ON THE BENEFITS OF PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION THIS WORK INCLUDES DEVELOPMENT OF INFORMATIONAL DOCUMENTS, RESPONSES TO QUESTIONS, DRAFTING OF ARTICLES AND/OR NEWS RELEASES FOR THE PRESS, AND COORDINATING WITH OTHER GROUPS INCLUDING GRASS ROOTS ORGANIZATIONS AND VARIOUS BUSINESS GROUPS IN RECENT YEARS, THIS WORK HAS BEEN CLOSELY TIED TO DISCUSSIONS ABOUT A POSSIBLE STATEWIDE TRANSPORTATION FUNDING PACKAGE

Form 990, Part VII - Compensation of Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, Highest Compensated Employees, and Independent Contractors

(A) Name and Title	(B) Average hours per week (list any hours for related organizations below dotted line)	(C) Position (do not check more than one box, unless person is both an officer and a director/trustee)						(D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W- 2/1099-MISC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W- 2/1099-MISC)	(F) Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations
		Individual trustee or director	Institutional Trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former			
GLORIA BOYCE MEMBER	X						0	0	0
JEFF HAMM MEMBER	X						0	0	0
WENDY CLARK-GETZIN MEMBER	X						0	0	0
STEPHANIE GUETTINGER MEMBER	X						0	0	0
EMMETT HEATH MEMBER	X						0	0	0
MICHAEL WAGNER MEMBER	X						0	0	0
KEN MAHIN MEMBER	X						0	0	0
TAMMI RUBERT MEMBER	X						0	0	0
RICHARD DEROCK MEMBER	X						0	0	0
KELLY SCALF MEMBER	X						0	0	0

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(A) Name and Title	(B) Average hours per week (list any hours for related organizations below dotted line)	(C) Position (do not check more than one box, unless person is both an officer and a director/trustee)						(D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W- 2/1099-MISC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W- 2/1099-MISC)	(F) Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations
		Individual trustee or director	Institutional Trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former			
RICHARD EVANS MEMBER	X						0	0	0
SUE DREIER MEMBER	X						0	0	0
WAYNE THOMPSON MEMBER	X						0	0	0
AMY ASHER MEMBER	X						0	0	0
DALE O'BRIEN MEMBER	X						0	0	0
SUSAN MEYER MEMBER	X						0	0	0
ROB LAFONTAINE MEMBER	X						0	0	0
DICK FONDAHN MEMBER	X						0	0	0
PETE STARK MEMBER	X						0	0	0
ALVIE MAXEY MEMBER	X						0	0	0

Form 990, Part VII - Compensation of Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, Highest Compensated Employees, and Independent Contractors

(A) Name and Title	(B) Average hours per week (list any hours for related organizations below dotted line)	(C) Position (do not check more than one box, unless person is both an officer and a director/trustee)						(D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W- 2/1099-MISC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W- 2/1099-MISC)	(F) Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations
		Individual trustee or director	Institutional Trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former			
TOM HINGSON PRESIDENT	X		X				0	0	0
ANN FREEMAN-MANZANARES VICE PRESIDE	X		X				0	0	0
JOHN CLAUSON TREASURER	X		X				0	0	0
JENNY GEORGE MEMBER	X						0	0	0
BRUCE SACKRON MEMBER	X						0	0	0
RACHEL SLUSSER MEMBER	X						0	0	0
MIKE NORTIER MEMBER	X						0	0	0
RICK GANNON MEMBER	X						0	0	0
DANNETTE BRANNIN MEMBER	X						0	0	0
SCOTT KUBLY MEMBER	X						0	0	0

Form 990, Part VII - Compensation of Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, Highest Compensated Employees, and Independent Contractors

(A) Name and Title	(B) Average hours per week (list any hours for related organizations below dotted line)	(C) Position (do not check more than one box, unless person is both an officer and a director/trustee)						(D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W- 2/1099-MISC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W- 2/1099-MISC)	(F) Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations
		Individual trustee or director	Institutional Trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former			
PETER ROGOFF MEMBER	.....	X						0	0	0
BRIAN LAGERBERG MEMBER	.....	X						0	0	0
JUSTIN LEIGHTON EXECUTIVE DI	40 00			X				105,053	0	0

SCHEDULE D
(Form 990)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Supplemental Financial Statements
▶ Complete if the organization answered "Yes," on Form 990, Part IV, line 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11a, 11b, 11c, 11d, 11e, 11f, 12a, or 12b. ▶ Attach to Form 990.
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WASHINGTON STATE TRANSIT ASSOCIATION

Employer identification number
91-1152629

Part I Organizations Maintaining Donor Advised Funds or Other Similar Funds or Accounts.
Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 6.

	(a) Donor advised funds	(b) Funds and other accounts
1 Total number at end of year		
2 Aggregate value of contributions to (during year)		
3 Aggregate value of grants from (during year)		
4 Aggregate value at end of year		

5 Did the organization inform all donors and donor advisors in writing that the assets held in donor advised funds are the organization's property, subject to the organization's exclusive legal control? Yes No

6 Did the organization inform all grantees, donors, and donor advisors in writing that grant funds can be used only for charitable purposes and not for the benefit of the donor or donor advisor, or for any other purpose conferring impermissible private benefit? Yes No

Part II Conservation Easements. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 7.

1 Purpose(s) of conservation easements held by the organization (check all that apply)

Preservation of land for public use (e g , recreation or education) Preservation of an historically important land area

Protection of natural habitat Preservation of a certified historic structure

Preservation of open space

2 Complete lines 2a through 2d if the organization held a qualified conservation contribution in the form of a conservation easement on the last day of the tax year

	Held at the End of the Year
a Total number of conservation easements	2a
b Total acreage restricted by conservation easements	2b
c Number of conservation easements on a certified historic structure included in (a)	2c
d Number of conservation easements included in (c) acquired after 8/17/06, and not on a historic structure listed in the National Register	2d

3 Number of conservation easements modified, transferred, released, extinguished, or terminated by the organization during the tax year ▶ _____

4 Number of states where property subject to conservation easement is located ▶ _____

5 Does the organization have a written policy regarding the periodic monitoring, inspection, handling of violations, and enforcement of the conservation easements it holds? Yes No

6 Staff and volunteer hours devoted to monitoring, inspecting, handling of violations, and enforcing conservation easements during the year ▶ _____

7 Amount of expenses incurred in monitoring, inspecting, handling of violations, and enforcing conservation easements during the year ▶ \$ _____

8 Does each conservation easement reported on line 2(d) above satisfy the requirements of section 170(h)(4)(B)(i) and section 170(h)(4)(B)(ii)? Yes No

9 In Part XIII, describe how the organization reports conservation easements in its revenue and expense statement, and balance sheet, and include, if applicable, the text of the footnote to the organization's financial statements that describes the organization's accounting for conservation easements

Part III Organizations Maintaining Collections of Art, Historical Treasures, or Other Similar Assets.
Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 8.

1a If the organization elected, as permitted under SFAS 116 (ASC 958), not to report in its revenue statement and balance sheet works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets held for public exhibition, education, or research in furtherance of public service, provide, in Part XIII, the text of the footnote to its financial statements that describes these items

b If the organization elected, as permitted under SFAS 116 (ASC 958), to report in its revenue statement and balance sheet works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets held for public exhibition, education, or research in furtherance of public service, provide the following amounts relating to these items

(i) Revenue included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 1 ▶ \$ _____

(ii) Assets included in Form 990, Part X ▶ \$ _____

2 If the organization received or held works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets for financial gain, provide the following amounts required to be reported under SFAS 116 (ASC 958) relating to these items

a Revenue included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 1 ▶ \$ _____

b Assets included in Form 990, Part X ▶ \$ _____

Part III Organizations Maintaining Collections of Art, Historical Treasures, or Other Similar Assets (continued)

- 3** Using the organization's acquisition, accession, and other records, check any of the following that are a significant use of its collection items (check all that apply)
- a** Public exhibition
 - b** Scholarly research
 - c** Preservation for future generations
 - d** Loan or exchange programs
 - e** Other
- 4** Provide a description of the organization's collections and explain how they further the organization's exempt purpose in Part XIII
- 5** During the year, did the organization solicit or receive donations of art, historical treasures or other similar assets to be sold to raise funds rather than to be maintained as part of the organization's collection? Yes No

Part IV Escrow and Custodial Arrangements.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 9, or reported an amount on Form 990, Part X, line 21.

- 1a** Is the organization an agent, trustee, custodian or other intermediary for contributions or other assets not included on Form 990, Part X? Yes No
- b** If "Yes," explain the arrangement in Part XIII and complete the following table
- | | Amount |
|--|--------|
| c Beginning balance | |
| d Additions during the year | |
| e Distributions during the year | |
| f Ending balance | |
- 2a** Did the organization include an amount on Form 990, Part X, line 21, for escrow or custodial account liability? Yes No
- b** If "Yes," explain the arrangement in Part XIII Check here if the explanation has been provided in Part XIII

Part V Endowment Funds. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 10.

	(a)Current year	(b)Prior year	(c)Two years back	(d)Three years back	(e)Four years back
1a Beginning of year balance					
b Contributions					
c Net investment earnings, gains, and losses					
d Grants or scholarships					
e Other expenditures for facilities and programs					
f Administrative expenses					
g End of year balance					

- 2** Provide the estimated percentage of the current year end balance (line 1g, column (a)) held as
- a** Board designated or quasi-endowment ▶
 - b** Permanent endowment ▶
 - c** Temporarily restricted endowment ▶
- The percentages on lines 2a, 2b, and 2c should equal 100%
- 3a** Are there endowment funds not in the possession of the organization that are held and administered for the organization by
- | | | |
|--|------------|-----------|
| (i) unrelated organizations | Yes | No |
| (ii) related organizations | | |
| b If "Yes" on 3a(ii), are the related organizations listed as required on Schedule R? | | |
- 4** Describe in Part XIII the intended uses of the organization's endowment funds

Part VI Land, Buildings, and Equipment.

Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' on Form 990, Part IV, line 11a. See Form 990, Part X, line 10.

Description of property	(a) Cost or other basis (investment)	(b) Cost or other basis (other)	(c) Accumulated depreciation	(d) Book value
1a Land				
b Buildings				
c Leasehold improvements				
d Equipment		17,601	13,913	3,688
e Other				
Total. Add lines 1a through 1e (Column (d) must equal Form 990, Part X, column (B), line 10(c)) . . . ▶				3,688

Part VII Investments—Other Securities. Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' on Form 990, Part IV, line 11b. See Form 990, Part X, line 12.

(a) Description of security or category (including name of security)	(b) Book value	(c) Method of valuation Cost or end-of-year market value
(1) Financial derivatives		
(2) Closely-held equity interests		
(3) Other _____		
(A)		
(B)		
(C)		
(D)		
(E)		
(F)		
(G)		
(H)		
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col (B) line 12)		

Part VIII Investments—Program Related. Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' on Form 990, Part IV, line 11c. See Form 990, Part X, line 13.

(a) Description of investment	(b) Book value	(c) Method of valuation Cost or end-of-year market value
(1)		
(2)		
(3)		
(4)		
(5)		
(6)		
(7)		
(8)		
(9)		
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col (B) line 13)		

Part IX Other Assets. Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' on Form 990, Part IV, line 11d. See Form 990, Part X, line 15

(a) Description	(b) Book value
(1)	
(2)	
(3)	
(4)	
(5)	
(6)	
(7)	
(8)	
(9)	
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col (B) line 15)	

Part X Other Liabilities. Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' on Form 990, Part IV, line 11e or 11f. See Form 990, Part X, line 25.

(a) Description of liability	(b) Book value
1. (1) Federal income taxes	
(2)	
(3)	
(4)	
(5)	
(6)	
(7)	
(8)	
(9)	
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col (B) line 25)	

2. Liability for uncertain tax positions In Part XIII, provide the text of the footnote to the organization's financial statements that reports the organization's liability for uncertain tax positions under FIN 48 (ASC 740) Check here if the text of the footnote has been provided in Part XIII

Part XI Reconciliation of Revenue per Audited Financial Statements With Revenue per Return

Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' on Form 990, Part IV, line 12a.

1	Total revenue, gains, and other support per audited financial statements	1	668,621
2	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12		
a	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	2a	
b	Donated services and use of facilities	2b	
c	Recoveries of prior year grants	2c	
d	Other (Describe in Part XIII)	2d	
e	Add lines 2a through 2d	2e	
3	Subtract line 2e from line 1	3	668,621
4	Amounts included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, but not on line 1:		
a	Investment expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b	4a	
b	Other (Describe in Part XIII)	4b	
c	Add lines 4a and 4b	4c	
5	Total revenue Add lines 3 and 4c . (This must equal Form 990, Part I, line 12)	5	668,621

Part XII Reconciliation of Expenses per Audited Financial Statements With Expenses per Return.

Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' on Form 990, Part IV, line 12a.

1	Total expenses and losses per audited financial statements	1	662,384
2	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part IX, line 25		
a	Donated services and use of facilities	2a	
b	Prior year adjustments	2b	
c	Other losses	2c	
d	Other (Describe in Part XIII)	2d	
e	Add lines 2a through 2d	2e	
3	Subtract line 2e from line 1	3	662,384
4	Amounts included on Form 990, Part IX, line 25, but not on line 1:		
a	Investment expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b	4a	
b	Other (Describe in Part XIII)	4b	
c	Add lines 4a and 4b	4c	
5	Total expenses Add lines 3 and 4c . (This must equal Form 990, Part I, line 18)	5	662,384

Part XIII Supplemental Information

Provide the descriptions required for Part II, lines 3, 5, and 9, Part III, lines 1a and 4, Part IV, lines 1b and 2b, Part V, line 4, Part X, line 2, Part XI, lines 2d and 4b, and Part XII, lines 2d and 4b Also complete this part to provide any additional information

Return Reference	Explanation
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Part XIII **Supplemental Information (continued)**

Return Reference	Explanation
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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
WASHINGTON STATE TRANSIT
ASSOCIATION

Employer identification number

91-1152629

990 Schedule O, Supplemental Information

Return Reference	Explanation
FORM 990 - ORGANIZATION'S MISSION	TO PROMOTE AND ENHANCE PUBLIC TRANSIT FOR THE CITIZENS OF WASHINGTON WSTA ADVOCATES FOR STATE LEGISLATION BENEFICIAL TO PUBLIC TRANSIT, FOSTERS THE PROFESSIONAL GROWTH AND DEVELOPMENT OF TRANSIT PROFESSIONALS, AND PROVIDES OUTREACH AND EDUCATION ABOUT PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION ON BEHALF OF OUR MEMBERS

990 Schedule O, Supplemental Information

Return Reference	Explanation
FORM 990, PAGE 2, PART III, LINE 4A	APPROPRIATE CONSITENT WITH THE WSTA MISSION AND VISION

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Return Reference	Explanation
FORM 990, PAGE 2, PART III, LINE 4B	RELATED TO PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION OCCASIONALLY, WSTA PROVIDES LEGISLATIVE UPDATES TO MEMBERS REGARDING ISSUES AT THE FEDERAL LEVEL AND MAY PREPARE COMMENT LETTERS ON BEHALF OF MEMBERS WSTA ALSO COLLABORATES WITH OTHER PARTNERS TO PROVIDE OUTREACH AND EDUCATION ON THE BENEFITS OF PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION THIS WORK INCLUDES DEVELOPMENT OF INFORMATIONAL DOCUMENTS, RESPONSES TO QUESTIONS, DRAFTING OF ARTICLES AND/OR NEWS RELEASES FOR THE PRESS, AND COORDINATING WITH OTHER GROUPS INCLUDING GRASS ROOTS ORGANIZATIONS AND VARIOUS BUSINESS GROUPS IN RECENT YEARS, THIS WORK HAS BEEN CLOSELY TIED TO DISCUSSIONS ABOUT A POSSIBLE STATEWIDE TRANSPORTATION FUNDING PACKAGE

990 Schedule O, Supplemental Information

Return Reference	Explanation
FORM 990, PAGE 6, PART VI, LINE 7A	THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE BOARD SHALL CONSIST OF THE CHIEF TRANSIT ADMINISTRATOR, OR DESIGNEE, OF EACH OF THE MEMBER AGENCIES THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF WSTA IS AN EX-OFFICIO, NONVOTING MEMBER OF THE BOARD

990 Schedule O, Supplemental Information

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FORM 990, PAGE 6, PART VI, LINE 7B	EACH MEMBER ORGANIZATION APPOINTS AN INDIVIDUAL TO REPRESENT THE ORGANIZATION ON THE BOARD

990 Schedule O, Supplemental Information

Return Reference	Explanation
FORM 990, PAGE 6, PART VI, LINE 11B	FORM 990 IS REVIEWED BY THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR COPIES OF THE FORM 990 ARE DISTRIBUTED AND REVIEWED BY THE BOARD

990 Schedule O, Supplemental Information

Return Reference	Explanation
FORM 990, PAGE 6, PART VI, LINE 12C	ALL BOARD MEMBERS, OFFICERS, AND STAFF ARE REQUIRED TO DISCLOSE POTENTIAL CONFLICTS OF INTEREST AS THEY ARISE WHENVER SUCH INDIVIDUALS ARE SUSPECTED OF NOT DISCLOSING POTENTIAL CONFLICTS, THEY ARE REFERRED TO THE GOVERNING BOARD WHICH TAKES APPROPRIATE ACTION

990 Schedule O, Supplemental Information

Return Reference	Explanation
FORM 990, PAGE 6, PART VI, LINE 15A	TGHE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S SALARY IS APPROVED BY THE BOARD

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Return Reference	Explanation
FORM 990, PAGE 6, PART VI, LINE 15B	THE BOARD REVIEWS ALL SALARIES AND RAISES

990 Schedule O, Supplemental Information

Return Reference	Explanation
FORM 990, PAGE 6, PART VI, LINE 19	SUCH DOCUMENTS ARE PROVIDED UPON REQUEST COMING TO THE OFFICE