

2017

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Form 990-EZ

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.

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Internal Revenue Service

A For the 2017 calendar year, or tax year beginning , 2017, and ending , 20

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

C Name of organization ☒ VIETNAMESE BUDDHIST COMMUNITY OF CONNECTICUT
 Number and street (or P.O. box, if mail is not delivered to street address) ☒ 126 FANEUIL ST
 City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code 03 WINDSOR, CT 06095

D Employer identification number ☒ 475651767

E Telephone number 203-213-7533

F Group Exemption Number ☒ 03

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: N/A

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 \$ 141,564

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 ☐

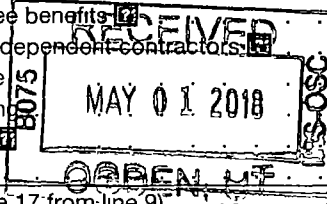
Line	Description	Amount
1	Contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts received	141,511
2	Program service revenue including government fees and contracts	
3	Membership dues and assessments	
4	Investment income	53
5a	Gross amount from sale of assets other than inventory	
5b	Less: cost or other basis 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)	
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	141,564
10	Grants and similar amounts paid (list in Schedule O)	1,920
11	Benefits paid to or for members	
12	Salaries, other compensation, and employee benefits	
13	Professional fees and other payments to independent contractors	
14	Occupancy, rent, utilities, and maintenance	20,708
15	Printing, publications, postage, and shipping	
16	Other expenses (describe in Schedule O)	8,693
17	Total expenses. Add lines 10 through 16	31,321
18	Excess or (deficit) for the year (Subtract line 17 from line 9)	110,244
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)	65,652
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	175,896

For Paperwork Reduction Act Notice, see the separate instructions.

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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	19,797	22 37,500
23	Land and buildings		23
24	Other assets (describe in Schedule O)	45,855	24 138,396
25	Total assets	65,652	25 175,896
26	Total liabilities (describe in Schedule O)		26
27	Net assets or fund balances (line 27 of column (B) must agree with line 21)	65,652	27 175,896

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? UPHOLD AND FOSTER THE TEACHINGS OF BUDDHA

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 HELD REGULAR SERVICES FOR CONGREGATION TO LEARN THE TEACHINGS OF BUDDHA

☐ (Grants \$) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here ☐ 28a 31,321 ☐

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(Grants \$) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here ☐ 29a

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(Grants \$) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here ☐ 30a

31 Other program services (describe in Schedule O)

(Grants \$ _____)	If this amount includes foreign grants, check here ☐	31a
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32	Total program service expenses (add lines 28a through 31a)	32
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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 Yes No

✓

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 Yes No

✓

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 Yes No

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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 Yes No

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 Yes No

✓

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 Yes No

✓

37a Enter amount of political expenditures, direct or indirect, as described in the instructions

37a

37b Yes No

✓

b Did the organization file Form 1120-POL for this year?

37b 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?

38a Yes No

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b If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part II and enter the total amount involved

38b

38b Yes No

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; section 4912; section 4955

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 Yes No

✓

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

d Section 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations. Enter amount of tax on line 40c reimbursed by the organization

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 Yes No

✓

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

42a The organization's books are in care of Telephone no.

Located at ZIP + 4

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)?

42b Yes No

✓

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?

42c Yes No

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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

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 Yes No

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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 Yes No

✓

c Did the organization receive any payments for indoor tanning services during the year?

44c Yes No

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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 Yes No

✓

45a Did the organization have a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)?

45a Yes No

✓

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 Yes No

✓

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

	Yes	No
48		☒

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

	Yes	No
49a		☒

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

	Yes	No
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."

(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 ▶

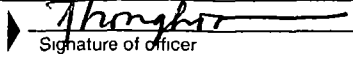
51 Complete this table for the organization's five highest compensated independent contractors who each received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization. If there is none, enter "None."

(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.

Sign Here		4/25/2018
	Signature of officer	Date
	MY DUNG DUONG	PRESIDENT
	Type or print name and title	Date

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 A
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Public Charity Status and Public Support

Complete if the organization is a section 501(c)(3) organization or a section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust.

► Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ.

► Go to www.irs.gov/Form990 for instructions and the latest information.

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Name of the organization

VIETNAMESE BUDDHIST COMMUNITY OF CONNECTICUT

Employer identification number

47-5651767

Part I Reason for Public Charity Status (All organizations must complete this part.) See instructions.

The organization is not a private foundation because it is (For lines 1 through 12, check only one box.)

- 1 ☒ A church, convention of churches, or association of churches described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(i)**.
- 2 ☐ A school described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)**. (Attach Schedule E (Form 990 or 990-EZ).)
- 3 ☐ A hospital or a cooperative hospital service organization described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii)**.
- 4 ☐ A medical research organization operated in conjunction with a hospital described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii)**. Enter the hospital's name, city, and state: _____
- 5 ☐ An organization operated for the benefit of a college or university owned or operated by a governmental unit described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iv)**. (Complete Part II.)
- 6 ☐ A federal, state, or local government or governmental unit described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(v)**.
- 7 ☐ An organization that normally receives a substantial part of its support from a governmental unit or from the general public described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi)**. (Complete Part II.)
- 8 ☐ A community trust described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi)**. (Complete Part II.)
- 9 ☐ An agricultural research organization described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(ix)** operated in conjunction with a land-grant college or university or a non-land-grant college of agriculture (see instructions). Enter the name, city, and state of the college or university: _____
- 10 ☐ An organization that normally receives: (1) more than 33 1/3% of its support from contributions, membership fees, and gross receipts from activities related to its exempt functions—subject to certain exceptions, and (2) no more than 33 1/3% of its support from gross investment income and unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 tax) from businesses acquired by the organization after June 30, 1975. See **section 509(a)(2)**. (Complete Part III.)
- 11 ☐ An organization organized and operated exclusively to test for public safety. See **section 509(a)(4)**.
- 12 ☐ An organization organized and operated exclusively for the benefit of, to perform the functions of, or to carry out the purposes of one or more publicly supported organizations described in **section 509(a)(1)** or **section 509(a)(2)**. See **section 509(a)(3)**. Check the box in lines 12a through 12d that describes the type of supporting organization and complete lines 12e, 12f, and 12g
- a ☐ **Type I.** A supporting organization operated, supervised, or controlled by its supported organization(s), typically by giving the supported organization(s) the power to regularly appoint or elect a majority of the directors or trustees of the supporting organization. **You must complete Part IV, Sections A and B.**
- b ☐ **Type II.** A supporting organization supervised or controlled in connection with its supported organization(s), by having control or management of the supporting organization vested in the same persons that control or manage the supported organization(s). **You must complete Part IV, Sections A and C.**
- c ☐ **Type III functionally integrated.** A supporting organization operated in connection with, and functionally integrated with, its supported organization(s) (see instructions). **You must complete Part IV, Sections A, D, and E.**
- d ☐ **Type III non-functionally integrated.** A supporting organization operated in connection with its supported organization(s) that is not functionally integrated. The organization generally must satisfy a distribution requirement and an attentiveness requirement (see instructions). **You must complete Part IV, Sections A and D, and Part V.**
- e ☐ Check this box if the organization received a written determination from the IRS that it is a Type I, Type II, Type III functionally integrated, or Type III non-functionally integrated supporting organization
- f Enter the number of supported organizations 0
- g Provide the following information about the supported organization(s).

(i) Name of supported organization	(ii) EIN	(iii) Type of organization (described on lines 1–10 above (see instructions))	(iv) Is the organization listed in your governing document?		(v) Amount of monetary support (see instructions)	(vi) Amount of other support (see instructions)
			Yes	No		
(A)						
(B)						
(C)						
(D)						
(E)						
Total						

SCHEDULE L
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Name of the organization

Transactions With Interested Persons

▶ **Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 25a, 25b, 26, 27, 28a, 28b, or 28c, or Form 990-EZ, Part V, line 38a or 40b.**

▶ **Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ.**

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Part I Excess Benefit Transactions (section 501(c)(3), section 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations only).

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 25a or 25b, or Form 990-EZ, Part V, line 40b.

1	(a) Name of disqualified person	(b) Relationship between disqualified person and organization	(c) Description of transaction	(d) Corrected?	
				Yes	No
(1)					
(2)					
(3)					
(4)					
(5)					
(6)					

2 Enter the amount of tax incurred by the organization managers or disqualified persons during the year under section 4958. ▶ \$

3 Enter the amount of tax, if any, on line 2, above, reimbursed by the organization ▶ \$

Part II Loans to and/or From Interested Persons.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990-EZ, Part V, line 38a or Form 990, Part IV, line 26; or if the organization reported an amount on Form 990, Part X, line 5, 6, or 22.

(a) Name of interested person	(b) Relationship with organization	(c) Purpose of loan	(d) Loan to or from the organization?		(e) Original principal amount	(f) Balance due	(g) In default?		(h) Approved by board or committee?		(i) Written agreement?	
			To	From			Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
(1) MY DUNG DUONG	PRESIDENT	TO PAY OFF		✓	86,268	86,268		✓	✓			✓
(2)		MORTGAGE										
(3)												
(4)												
(5)												
(6)												
(7)												
(8)												
(9)												
(10)												
Total ▶						\$ 86,268						

Part III Grants or Assistance Benefiting Interested Persons.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 27.

(a) Name of interested person	(b) Relationship between interested person and the organization	(c) Amount of assistance	(d) Type of assistance	(e) Purpose of assistance
(1)				
(2)				
(3)				
(4)				
(5)				
(6)				
(7)				
(8)				
(9)				
(10)				

SCHEDULE O
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service**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.
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FORM 990-EZ, PART I, LINE 10 GRANTS AND SIMILAR AMOUNTS PAID

DESCRIPTION OF EXPENSES	AMOUNT
DONATIONS	1,920
TOTAL TO FORM 990-EZ, LINE 10	1,920

FORM 990-EZ, PART I, LINE 16 OTHER EXPENSES

DESCRIPTION OF EXPENSES	AMOUNT
FOOD	5,835
GAS	146
INSURANCE	1,187
BANK SERVICE CHARGE	7
SUPPLIES	291
DREPRECIATION - BUDDHA STATUE	795
DEPRECIATION - LEASEHOLD IMPROVEMENT	385
DEPRECIATION - LAND IMPROVEMENT	47
TOTAL TO FORM 990-EZ, LINE 16	8,693

FORM 990-EZ, PART II, LINE 24 OTHER ASSETS

DESCRIPTION OF ASSETS	AMOUNT
BUDDHA STATUE - NET (GROSS 31,000 - ACCUM DEPREC 828)	30,172
LEASEHOLD IMPROVEMENT - NET (GROSS 15,000 - ACCUM DEPREC 497)	14,503
LAND IMPROVEMENT - NET (GROSS 7,500 - ACCUM. DEPREC 47)	7,453
LOAN TO PRESIDENT TO PAY OFF MORTGAGE LOAN	86,268
TOTAL TO FORM 990-EZ, LINE 24	138,396

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FORM 990-EZ, PART I, LINE 14 OCCUPANCY, RENT, UTILITIES AND MAINTENANCE

DESCRIPTION OF EXPENSES

AMOUNT

RENT

17,967

UTILITIES

2,741

TOTAL TO FORM 990-EZ, LINE 14

20,708