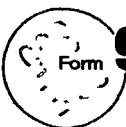


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**990-EZ**Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service**Short Form****Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax**

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

OMB No. 1545-1150

2017**Open to Public
Inspection****A For the 2017 calendar year, or tax year beginning**

January 1

, 2017, and ending

December 31

, 2017

B Check if applicable:

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

C Name of organization **inc****Common Threads Project**Number and street (or P.O. box, if mail is not delivered to street address) **inc**

25 Plaza Street West

Room/suite

3F

81-4212971

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

Brooklyn, NY 11217

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301 928 7907**D Employer identification number** **inc****E Telephone number****F Group Exemption****Number** **inc****G Accounting Method:** Cash Accrual Other (specify) ►**I Website:** ► commonthreadsproject.net**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**H Check** ► **if the organization is not****required to attach Schedule B** **inc**

(Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF).

Sign Here inc	Rachel A. Cohen Signature of officer	May 10, 2018 Date			
	Rachel A. Cohen, Executive Director Type or print name and title				
Paid Preparer Use Only	Print/Type preparer's name	Preparer's signature	Date	Check <input type="checkbox"/> 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
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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

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	✓	

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)

35a Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year from business

		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	46	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>

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	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
48	Is the organization a school as described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? If "Yes," complete Schedule E	48	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
49a	Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization?	49a	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
b	If "Yes," was the related organization a section 527 organization?	49b	<input type="checkbox"/>
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
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."
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(a) Name and business address of each independent contractor	(b) Type of service	(c) Compensation
None		

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
	► <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> 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 knowledge.

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

Employer identification number

Common Threads Project

814-212971

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). 07

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 $\frac{1}{3}$ % 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 $\frac{1}{3}$ % 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 _____

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						

Part II Support Schedule for Organizations Described in Sections 170(b)(1)(A)(iv) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi)

(Complete only if you checked the box on line 5, 7, or 8 of Part I or if the organization failed to qualify under Part III. If the organization fails to qualify under the tests listed below, please complete Part III.)

Section A. Public Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ►	(a) 2013	(b) 2014	(c) 2015	(d) 2016	(e) 2017	(f) Total
1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received. (Do not include any "unusual grants.")				865,100	8123,182	8188,282
2 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf						
3 The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge						
4 Total. Add lines 1 through 3				865,100	8123,182	8188,282
5 The portion of total contributions by each person (other than a governmental unit or publicly supported organization) included on line 1 that exceeds 2% of the amount shown on line 11, column (f)						
6 Public support. Subtract line 5 from line 4						8183,2148 85,068

Section B. Total Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ►	(a) 2013	(b) 2014	(c) 2015	(d) 2016	(e) 2017	(f) Total
7 Amounts from line 4				865,100	8123,182	8188,282
8 Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties, and income from similar sources						
9 Net income from unrelated business activities, whether or not the business is regularly carried on						
10 Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part VI.)						
11 Total support. Add lines 7 through 10						8188,282
12 Gross receipts from related activities, etc. (see instructions)				12		0
13 First five years. If the Form 990 is for the organization's first, second, third, fourth, or fifth tax year as a section 501(c)(3) organization, check this box and stop here ► <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>						

Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage

14 Public support percentage for 2017 (line 6, column (f) divided by line 11, column (f))	14	%
15 Public support percentage from 2016 Schedule A, Part II, line 14	15	%
16a 33½% support test—2017. If the organization did not check the box on line 13, and line 14 is 33½% or more, check this box and stop here. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization ► <input type="checkbox"/>		
b 33½% support test—2016. If the organization did not check a box on line 13 or 16a, and line 15 is 33½% or more, check this box and stop here. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization ► <input type="checkbox"/>		
17a 10%-facts-and-circumstances test—2017. If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, or 16b, and line 14 is 10% or more, and if the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test, check this box and stop here. Explain in Part VI how the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization ► <input type="checkbox"/>		

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. ► \$

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

1 Contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts received	1	123,182
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		

Part III. Support Schedule for Organizations Described in Section 509(a)(2)

(Complete only if you checked the box on line 10 of Part I or if the organization failed to qualify under Part II.)

(If the organization fails to qualify under the tests listed below, please complete Part II.)

Section A. Public Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ►	(a) 2013	(b) 2014	(c) 2015	(d) 2016	(e) 2017	(f) Total
1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received. (Do not include any "unusual grants.")						
2 Gross receipts from admissions, merchandise sold or services performed, or facilities furnished in any activity that is related to the organization's tax-exempt purpose . . .						
3 Gross receipts from activities that are not an unrelated trade or business under section 513 . . .						
4 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf . . .						
5 The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge . . .						
6 Total. Add lines 1 through 5 . . .						
7a Amounts included on lines 1, 2, and 3 received from disqualified persons . .						
b Amounts included on lines 2 and 3 received from other than disqualified persons that exceed the greater of \$5,000 or 1% of the amount on line 13 for the year . .						
c Add lines 7a and 7b . . .						
8 Public support. (Subtract line 7c from line 6.) . . .						

Section B. Total Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ►	(a) 2013	(b) 2014	(c) 2015	(d) 2016	(e) 2017	(f) Total
9 Amounts from line 6 . . .						
10a Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties, and income from similar sources . .						
b Unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 taxes) from businesses acquired after June 30, 1975 . .						
c Add lines 10a and 10b . . .						
11 Net income from unrelated business activities not included in line 10b, whether or not the business is regularly carried on . .						
12 Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part VI.) . . .						
13 Total support. (Add lines 9, 10c, 11, and 12.) . . .						
14 First five years. If the Form 990 is for the organization's first, second, third, fourth, or fifth tax year as a section 501(c)(3) organization, check this box and stop here ► <input type="checkbox"/>						

Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage

15 Public support percentage for 2017 (line 8, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f)) . . .	15	%
16 Public support percentage from 2016 Schedule A, Part III, line 15 . . .	16	%

Section D. Computation of Investment Income Percentage

17 Investment income percentage for 2017 (line 10c, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f)) . . .	17	%
18 Investment income percentage from 2016 Schedule A, Part III, line 17 . . .	18	%
19a 33 1/3% support tests—2017. If the organization did not check the box on line 14, and line 15 is more than 33 1/3%, and line 17 is not more than 33 1/3%, check this box and stop here. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization ► <input type="checkbox"/>		
b 33 1/3% support tests—2016. If the organization did not check a box on line 14 or line 19a, and line 16 is more than 33 1/3%, and line 18 is not more than 33 1/3%, check this box and stop here. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization ► <input type="checkbox"/>		
20 Private foundation. If the organization did not check a box on line 14, 19a, or 19b, check this box and see instructions ► <input type="checkbox"/>		

Part IV Supporting Organizations

(Complete only if you checked a box in line 12 on Part I. If you checked 12a of Part I, complete Sections A and B. If you checked 12b of Part I, complete Sections A and C. If you checked 12c of Part I, complete Sections A, D, and E. If you checked 12d of Part I, complete Sections A and D, and complete Part V.)

Section A. All Supporting Organizations

	Yes	No
1		
2		
3a		
b		
c		
4a		
b		
Did the organization support any foreign-supported organization that does not have an IRS determination		

Part IV Supporting Organizations (continued)

11 Has the organization accepted a gift or contribution from any of the following persons?

- A person who directly or indirectly controls, either alone or together with persons described in (b) and (c) below, the governing body of a supported organization?
- A family member of a person described in (a) above?
- A 35% controlled entity of a person described in (a) or (b) above? If "Yes" to a, b, or c, provide detail in Part VI.

	Yes	No
11a		
11b		
11c		

Section B. Type I Supporting Organizations

1 Did the directors, trustees, or membership of one or more supported organizations have the power to regularly appoint or elect at least a majority of the organization's directors or trustees at all times during the tax year? If "No," describe in Part VI how the supported organization(s) effectively operated, supervised, or controlled the organization's activities. If the organization had more than one supported organization, describe how the powers to appoint and/or remove directors or trustees were allocated among the supported organizations and what conditions or restrictions, if any, applied to such powers during the tax year.

2 Did the organization operate for the benefit of any supported organization other than the supported organization(s) that operated, supervised, or controlled the supporting organization? If "Yes," explain in Part VI how providing such benefit carried out the purposes of the supported organization(s) that operated, supervised, or controlled the supporting organization.

	Yes	No
1		
2		

Section C. Type II Supporting Organizations

1 Were a majority of the organization's directors or trustees during the tax year also a majority of the directors or trustees of each of the organization's supported organization(s)? If "No," describe in Part VI how control or management of the supporting organization was vested in the same persons that controlled or managed the supported organization(s).

	Yes	No
1		

Section D. All Type III Supporting Organizations

1 Did the organization provide to each of its supported organizations, by the last day of the fifth month of the organization's tax year, (i) a written notice describing the type and amount of support provided during the prior tax year, (ii) a copy of the Form 990 that was most recently filed as of the date of notification, and (iii) copies of the organization's governing documents in effect on the date of notification, to the extent not previously provided?

2 Were any of the organization's officers, directors, or trustees either (i) appointed or elected by the supported organization(s) or (ii) serving on the governing body of a supported organization? If "No," explain in Part VI how the organization maintained a close and continuous working relationship with the supported organization(s).

3 By reason of the relationship described in (2), did the organization's supported organizations have a

	Yes	No
1		
2		

Part V Type III Non-Functionally Integrated 509(a)(3) Supporting Organizations

1 Check here if the organization satisfied the Integral Part Test as a qualifying trust on Nov. 20, 1970 (explain in Part VI). See instructions. All other Type III non-functionally integrated supporting organizations must complete Sections A through E.

Section A - Adjusted Net Income		(A) Prior Year	(B) Current Year (optional)
1 Net short-term capital gain	1		
2 Recoveries of prior-year distributions	2		
3 Other gross income (see instructions)	3		
4 Add lines 1 through 3.	4		
5 Depreciation and depletion	5		
6 Portion of operating expenses paid or incurred for production or collection of gross income or for management, conservation, or maintenance of property held for production of income (see instructions)	6		
7 Other expenses (see instructions)	7		
8 Adjusted Net Income (subtract lines 5, 6, and 7 from line 4).	8		
Section B - Minimum Asset Amount		(A) Prior Year	(B) Current Year (optional)
1 Aggregate fair market value of all non-exempt-use assets (see instructions for short tax year or assets held for part of year):			
a Average monthly value of securities	1a		
b Average monthly cash balances	1b		
c Fair market value of other non-exempt-use assets	1c		
d Total (add lines 1a, 1b, and 1c)	1d		
e Discount claimed for blockage or other factors (explain in detail in Part VI):			
2 Acquisition indebtedness applicable to non-exempt-use assets	2		
3 Subtract line 2 from line 1d.	3		
4 Cash deemed held for exempt use. Enter 1-1/2% of line 3 (for greater amount, see instructions).	4		
5 Net value of non-exempt-use assets (subtract line 4 from line 3)	5		
6 Multiply line 5 by .035.	6		
7 Recoveries of prior-year distributions	7		
8 Minimum Asset Amount (add line 7 to line 6)	8		
Section C - Distributable Amount			Current Year
1 Adjusted net income for prior year (from Section A, line 8, Column A)	1		
2 Enter 85% of line 1.	2		
3 Minimum asset amount for prior year (from Section B, line 8, Column A)	3		
4 Enter greater of line 2 or line 3.	4		
5 Income tax imposed in prior year	5		
6 Distributable Amount Subtract line 5 from line 4, unless subject to emergency temporary reduction (see instructions).	6		
7 <input type="checkbox"/> Check here if the current year is the organization's first as a non-functionally integrated Type III supporting organization (see instructions).			

Part V Type III Non-Functionally Integrated 509(a)(3) Supporting Organizations (continued)

Section D - Distributions		Current Year	
1	Amounts paid to supported organizations to accomplish exempt purposes		
2	Amounts paid to perform activity that directly furthers exempt purposes of supported organizations, in excess of income from activity		
3	Administrative expenses paid to accomplish exempt purposes of supported organizations		
4	Amounts paid to acquire exempt-use assets		
5	Qualified set-aside amounts (prior IRS approval required)		
6	Other distributions (describe in Part VI). See instructions.		
7	Total annual distributions. Add lines 1 through 6.		
8	Distributions to attentive supported organizations to which the organization is responsive (provide details in Part VI). See instructions.		
9	Distributable amount for 2017 from Section C, line 6		
10	Line 8 amount divided by line 9 amount		
Section E - Distribution Allocations (see instructions)			
	(i) Excess Distributions	(ii) Underdistributions Pre-2017	(iii) Distributable Amount for 2017
1	Distributable amount for 2017 from Section C, line 6		
2	Underdistributions, if any, for years prior to 2017 (reasonable cause required—explain in Part VI). See instructions.		
3	Excess distributions carryover, if any, to 2017		
a			
b	From 2013		
c	From 2014		
d	From 2015		
e	From 2016		
f	Total of lines 3a through e		
g	Applied to underdistributions of prior years		
h	Applied to 2017 distributable amount		
i	Carryover from 2012 not applied (see instructions)		
j	Remainder. Subtract lines 3g, 3h, and 3i from 3f.		
4	Distributions for 2017 from Section D, line 7: \$		
a	Applied to underdistributions of prior years		
b	Applied to 2017 distributable amount		
c	Remainder. Subtract lines 4a and 4b from 4.		
5	Remaining underdistributions for years prior to 2017, if any. Subtract lines 3g and 4a from line 2. For result greater than zero, explain in Part VI. See instructions.		
6	Remaining underdistributions for 2017. Subtract lines 3h and 4b from line 1. For result greater than zero, explain in Part VI. See instructions.		
7	Excess distributions carryover to 2018. Add lines 3j and 4c.		
8	Breakdown of line 7:		
a	Excess from 2013		
b	Excess from 2014		
c	Excess from 2015		
d	Excess from 2016		
e	Excess from 2017		

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

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.

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Part 1 Line 16 Other Expenses

Program Implementation: \$ 27,051.89; Office Supplies: \$ 69.44; Internet Hosting: \$ 271.55; Bank and credit card fees: \$ 930.60;

Dues and subscriptions: \$ 199; Registration fees: \$ 722.35;

Total: \$ 29,244.83

Part III: Organizations Primary Exempt Purpose:

Common Threads Project Inc. was created to provide an innovative program for recovery from the psychosocial consequences of sexual and gender based violence. Through traditional hand-sewing groups, women gather to sew their stories into cloth, share their experiences, support one another and engage in a program of recovery. The organization develops program materials, including training materials, collaborates with local organizations to implement and adapt the organization's program in communities that the local organizations serve, identify and train program facilitators, select and screen participants and collect baseline data.

Name of the organization

Employer identification number