

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.

▶ Go to www.irs.gov/Form990EZ for instructions and the latest information.**2017**
Open to Public InspectionDepartment of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service**A For the 2017 calendar year, or tax year beginning**

March 1, 2017, and ending February 28, 2018

B Check if applicable:

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

C Name of organization

Vietnam Veterans of America, Chapter 1054

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

P.O. Box 1062

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

Watertown, SD 57201-6062 19

D Employer identification number

32-0341982

E Telephone number

605-753-0200

F Group Exemption Number

▶ 3202

G Accounting Method: ☒ Cash ☐ Accrual ☐ Other (specify) ▶**I Website:** ▶ www.nesdvva.org**J Tax-exempt status (check only one)** — ☐ 501(c)(3) ☒ 501(c)(19) (insert no.) ☐ 4947(a)(1) or ☐ 527**H Check** ☒ if the organization is not required to attach Schedule B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF).**K Form of organization:** ☒ Corporation ☐ Trust ☐ Association ☐ Other

L Add lines 5b, 6c, and 7b to line 9 to determine gross receipts. If gross receipts are \$200,000 or more, or if total assets (Part II, column (B) below) are \$500,000 or more, file Form 990 instead of Form 990-EZ. ▶ \$86,914

Part I Revenue, Expenses, and Changes in Net Assets or Fund Balances (see the instructions for Part I)Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part I ☒

Revenue	1	Contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts received	1	6,500
	2	Program service revenue including government fees and contracts	2	
	3	Membership dues and assessments	3	7,405
	4	Investment income	4	
	5a	Gross amount from sale of assets other than inventory	5a	
	5b	Less: cost or other basis and sales expenses	5b	
	5c	Gain or (loss) from sale of assets other than inventory (Subtract line 5b from line 5a)	5c	
	6	Gaming and fundraising events		
	a	Gross income from gaming (attach Schedule G if greater than \$15,000)	6a	26,740
Expenses	b	Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ of contributions from fundraising events reported on line 1) (attach Schedule G if the sum of such gross income and contributions exceeds \$15,000)	6b	9,738
	c	Less: direct expenses from gaming and fundraising events	6c	8,862
	d	Net income or (loss) from gaming and fundraising events (add lines 6a and 6b and subtract line 6c)	6d	27,616
	7a	Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances	7a	2,316
	b	Less: cost of goods sold	7b	3,953
	c	Gross profit or (loss) from sales of inventory (Subtract line 7b from line 7a)	7c	(1637)
	8	Other revenue (describe in Schedule O)	8	34,215
	9	Total revenue. Add lines 1, 2, 3, 4, 5c, 6d, 7c, and 8	9	74,099
	10	Grants and similar amounts paid (list in Schedule O)	10	16,153
	Net Assets	11	Benefits paid to or for members	11
12		Salaries, other compensation, and employee benefits	12	
13		Professional fees and other payments to independent contractors	13	
14		Occupancy, rent, utilities, and maintenance	14	
15		Printing, publications, postage, and shipping	15	6,316
16		Other expenses (describe in Schedule O)	16	69,487
17		Total expenses. Add lines 10 through 16	17	91,956
18		Excess or (deficit) for the year (Subtract line 17 from line 9)	18	(17,857)
19	Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (from line 27, column (A)) (must agree with end-of-year figure reported on prior year's return)	19	84,902	
20	Other changes in net assets or fund balances (explain in Schedule O)	20		
21	Net assets or fund balances at end of year. Combine lines 18 through 20	21	67,045	

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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	84,902	67,045
23 Land and buildings		
24 Other assets (describe in Schedule O)		
25 Total assets	84,902	67,045
26 Total liabilities (describe in Schedule O)		
27 Net assets or fund balances (line 27 of column (B) must agree with line 21)	84,902	67,045

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? Veterans helping veterans.

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	<u>We donate to veterans who are in need.</u>	
	(Grants \$) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here <input type="checkbox"/>	28a
29	<u>We have 42 members in our Honor Guard. They perform at funerals, parades and public ceremonies. All who attend benefit from our Honor Guard.</u>	
	(Grants \$) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here <input type="checkbox"/>	29a
30	<u>We produce a newsletter every other month for our members and for perspective members. For each publication we make 545 newsletters.</u>	
	(Grants \$) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here <input type="checkbox"/>	30a
31	Other program services (describe in Schedule O)	
	(Grants \$) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here <input type="checkbox"/>	31a
32	Total program service expenses (add lines 28a through 31a)	32

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 ☐

(a) Name and title	(b) Average hours per week devoted to position	(c) Reportable compensation (Forms W-2/1099-MISC) (if not paid, enter -0-)	(d) Health benefits, contributions to employee benefit plans, and deferred compensation	(e) Estimated amount of other compensation
Jack Kempter President	20	0	0	0
Phil Braeger Sr. Vice President	10	0	0	0
Floyd Hermans Vice President	10	0	0	0
Don Reconnu Treasurer	20	0	0	0
Rich Felberg Secretary	10	0	0	0
Don Zafft Chaplain	10	0	0	0
Stephen Annett-Director	10	0	0	0
Darrell Berning "	10	0	0	0
Paul Hermans "	10	0	0	0
Degn Halajilans "	10	0	0	0
Ed Timm "	10	0	0	0
Steve Strege "	10	0	0	0
Randy Holiday "	10	0	0	0
Bob Frink "	10	0	0	0
Jerry Denman "	10	0	0	0

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	X
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	X
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	X
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	
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	X
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	X
37a Enter amount of political expenditures, direct or indirect, as described in the instructions ▶ [37a]		
b Did the organization file Form 1120-POL for this year?	37b	X
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	X
b If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part II and enter the total amount involved	38b	
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	X
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	X
41 List the states with which a copy of this return is filed ▶		
42a The organization's books are in care of ▶ <u>Don Reconnu</u> Telephone no. ▶ <u>605-886-4516</u> Located at ▶ <u>220 20th Ave NW, Watertown, SD</u> ZIP + 4 ▶ <u>57201-6021</u>		
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	X
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	X
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	X
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	X
c Did the organization receive any payments for indoor tanning services during the year?	44c	X
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	X
45a Did the organization have a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)?	45a	X
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	X

	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		<input checked="" 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		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
48 Is the organization a school as described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? If "Yes," complete Schedule E		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
49a Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
b If "Yes," was the related organization a section 527 organization?		

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	Signature of officer <u>Donald H. Reconnu</u>	Date <u>3-5-18</u>
	Type or print name and title <u>Donald H. Reconnu Treasurer</u>	

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

SCHEDULE G
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Name of the organization

Supplemental Information Regarding Fundraising or Gaming Activities

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 17, 18, or 19, or if the organization entered more than \$15,000 on Form 990-EZ, line 6a.

▶ Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ.

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Vietnam Veterans of America, Chapter 1054 *32-0341982*

Part I Fundraising Activities. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 17.

Form 990-EZ filers are not required to complete this part.

1 Indicate whether the organization raised funds through any of the following activities. Check all that apply.

- a ☐ Mail solicitations e ☐ Solicitation of non-government grants
b ☐ Internet and email solicitations f ☐ Solicitation of government grants
c ☐ Phone solicitations g ☒ Special fundraising events
d ☐ In-person solicitations

2a Did the organization have a written or oral agreement with any individual (including officers, directors, trustees, or key employees listed in Form 990, Part VII) or entity in connection with professional fundraising services? ☐ Yes ☐ No

b If "Yes," list the 10 highest paid individuals or entities (fundraisers) pursuant to agreements under which the fundraiser is to be compensated at least \$5,000 by the organization.

(i) Name and address of individual or entity (fundraiser)	(ii) Activity	(iii) Did fundraiser have custody or control of contributions?		(iv) Gross receipts from activity	(v) Amount paid to (or retained by) fundraiser listed in col. (i)	(vi) Amount paid to (or retained by) organization
		Yes	No			
1						
2						
3						
4						
5						
6						
7						
8						
9						
10						
Total						

3 List all states in which the organization is registered or licensed to solicit contributions or has been notified it is exempt from registration or licensing.

South Dakota

Part II Fundraising Events. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 18, or reported more than \$15,000 of fundraising event contributions and gross income on Form 990-EZ, lines 1 and 6b. List events with gross receipts greater than \$5,000.

		(a) Event #1	(b) Event #2	(c) Other events	(d) Total events
		(event type)	(event type)	(total number)	(add col. (a) through col. (c))
Revenue	1 Gross receipts				
	2 Less: Contributions				
	3 Gross income (line 1 minus line 2)				
Direct Expenses	4 Cash prizes				
	5 Noncash prizes				
	6 Rent/facility costs				
	7 Food and beverages				
	8 Entertainment				
	9 Other direct expenses				
	10 Direct expense summary. Add lines 4 through 9 in column (d) ▶				
11 Net income summary. Subtract line 10 from line 3, column (d) ▶					

Part III Gaming. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 19, or reported more than \$15,000 on Form 990-EZ, line 6a.

		(a) Bingo	(b) Pull tabs/instant bingo/progressive bingo	(c) Other gaming	(d) Total gaming (add col. (a) through col. (c))
Revenue	1 Gross revenue			26,740	26,740
Direct Expenses	2 Cash prizes			2,000	2,000
	3 Noncash prizes			5,350	5,350
	4 Rent/facility costs			160	160
	5 Other direct expenses			302	302
	6 Volunteer labor	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes _____ % <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes _____ % <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes 100 % <input type="checkbox"/> No	
	7 Direct expense summary. Add lines 2 through 5 in column (d) ▶				7,812
	8 Net gaming income summary. Subtract line 7 from line 1, column (d) ▶				18,928

9 Enter the state(s) in which the organization conducts gaming activities: South Dakota
a Is the organization licensed to conduct gaming activities in each of these states? ☒ Yes ☐ No
b If "No," explain: _____

10a Were any of the organization's gaming licenses revoked, suspended, or terminated during the tax year? ☐ Yes ☒ No
b If "Yes," explain: _____

- 11** Does the organization conduct gaming activities with nonmembers? ☒ Yes ☐ No
- 12** Is the organization a grantor, beneficiary or trustee of a trust, or a member of a partnership or other entity formed to administer charitable gaming? ☐ Yes ☒ No
- 13** Indicate the percentage of gaming activity conducted in:
- | | | | |
|--------------------------------------|------------|-----------|---|
| a The organization's facility | 13a | 5 | % |
| b An outside facility | 13b | 95 | % |
- 14** Enter the name and address of the person who prepares the organization's gaming/special events books and records:

Name ▶

Donald H. Reconnu

Address ▶

220 20th Ave, NW, Watertown, SD 57201

- 15a** Does the organization have a contract with a third party from whom the organization receives gaming revenue? ☐ Yes ☒ No
- b** If "Yes," enter the amount of gaming revenue received by the organization ▶ \$ _____ and the amount of gaming revenue retained by the third party ▶ \$ _____
- c** If "Yes," enter name and address of the third party:

Name ▶

Address ▶

16 Gaming manager information:

Name ▶

Gaming manager compensation ▶

\$ _____

Description of services provided ▶

☐ Director/officer☐ Employee☐ Independent contractor**17** Mandatory distributions:

- a** Is the organization required under state law to make charitable distributions from the gaming proceeds to retain the state gaming license? ☐ Yes ☐ No
- b** Enter the amount of distributions required under state law to be distributed to other exempt organizations or spent in the organization's own exempt activities during the tax year ▶ \$ _____

Part IV

Supplemental Information. Provide the explanations required by Part I, line 2b, columns (iii) and (v); and Part III, lines 9, 9b, 10b, 15b, 15c, 16, and 17b, as applicable. Also provide any additional information. See instructions.

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.

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Other Revenue - Line 8

Trip to D.C.	23,732
Christmas Season Buffet	4,637
Honor Guard	1,949
Interest	39
Travel Leaders	3,858
	<u>34,215</u>

Donations - Line 10

Salvation Army	3,100
Veterans Fund	500
VVA Nurse	300
HD Supply	155
Nation of Patriots	500
Jack Weir	200
Elks Lodge	100
Nancy Reisch-Quitts	500
Rausch Granite-Tombstone	173
Rogers Salvage-Vets Car	125
KX LG Radio	100
POW MIA - Tewinkel	500
Friend of SDRB	200
Dave Peller	400
Oay County	100
Wal-Mart - vets in need	6,800
Paul Hermans - vets in need	2,100
Veterans Cemetery-Print sale	300
	<u>16,153</u>

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Other Expenses - Line 16

Bus	3,666
DC Trip	48,450
Honor Guard	2,281
Christmas Season Buffet	2,523
Annual Picnic	584
Promotional Pens	395
Scott Engineering-cemetery	639
DT Trip Refund	858
Membership Dues to National	5,380
Coffee at Meetings	683
Office Expenses	1,929
Telephone	585
Scholarships	1,000
Travel	200
Flags for Cemetery	314
	<u>69,487</u>