

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

Short Form Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

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

▶ Do not enter social security numbers on this form as it may be made public.

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A For the 2018 calendar year, or tax year beginning 01-01-2018, and ending 12-31-2018

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

C Name of organization
JEFFERSON BUSINESS COUNCIL

Number and street (or P O box, if mail is not delivered to street address) Room/suite
2900 RIDGELAKE DRIVE 4TH FLOOR

City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code
METAIRIE, LA 70002

D Employer identification number
72-1201437

E Telephone number
(504) 289-3023

F Group Exemption Number ▶

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: ▶ [HTTP://WWW.JEFFERSONBUSINESSCOUNCIL.COM/](http://WWW.JEFFERSONBUSINESSCOUNCIL.COM/)
J Tax-exempt status (check only one) - 501(c)(3) 501(c)(6) ◀ (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 ▶ \$ 187,042

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	2	3	4	5a	5b	5c	6a	6b	6c	6d	7a	7b	7c	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	
Revenue	1	Contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts received																1,000												
	2	Program service revenue including government fees and contracts																												
	3	Membership dues and assessments																												
	4	Investment income																												
	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 ▶																													
Expenses	10	Grants and similar amounts paid (list in Schedule O)																												
	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																												
	15	Printing, publications, postage, and shipping																												
	16	Other expenses (describe in Schedule O)																												
	17	Total expenses. Add lines 10 through 16 ▶																												
Net Assets	18	Excess or (deficit) for the year (Subtract line 17 from line 9)																												
	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)																												
	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																												

Part V Other Information (Note the Schedule A and personal benefit contract statement requirements in the instructions for Part V) Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part V

Table with columns for question number, question text, and Yes/No columns. Rows include questions 33 through 41e regarding organizational activities, financials, and tax shelter status.

42a The organization's books are in care of ANTHONY V LIGI JR Telephone no (504) 289-3023 Located at 2900 RIDGELAKE DR 4TH FLOOR METAIRIE, LA ZIP + 4 70002

Table with columns for question number, question text, and Yes/No columns. Rows include questions 42b and 42c regarding foreign financial accounts and offices.

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

Table with columns for question number, question text, and Yes/No columns. Rows include questions 44a through 45b regarding donor advised funds, hospital facilities, and controlled entities.

	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	No

Part VI Section 501(c)(3) organizations only
 All section 501(c)(3) organizations must answer questions 47- 49b and 52, and complete the tables for lines 50 and 51.
 Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part VI

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

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.

***** Signature of officer	2019-02-18 Date
ANTHONY V LIGI JR EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR Type or print name and title	

Paid Preparer Use Only	Print/Type preparer's name JEANNE M DRISCOLL CPA	Preparer's signature	Date	Check <input type="checkbox"/> if self-employed	PTIN P00153701
	Firm's name ▶ LAPORTE APAC	Firm's EIN ▶ 72-1088864		Phone no (504) 835-5522	
	Firm's address ▶ 111 VETERANS MEMORIAL BLVD 600 METAIRIE, LA 700054958				

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

Additional Data

Software ID:

Software Version:

EIN: 72-1201437

Name: JEFFERSON BUSINESS COUNCIL

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

Describe the organization's program service accomplishments for each of its three largest program services, as measured by expenses. In a clear and concise manner, describe the services provided, the number of persons benefited, and other relevant information for each program title.	Expenses (Required for section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations; optional for others.)	
<p>28</p> <p>THE JEFFERSON BUSINESS COUNCIL (JBC) IS COMPRISED OF THE PARISH'S MOST INFLUENTIAL AND CIVIC MINDED BUSINESS LEADERS MEMBERS INCLUDE DISTINGUISHED SMALL BUSINESS OWNERS AND THE CHIEF EXECUTIVES OF THE PARISH'S LARGEST EMPLOYERS WHICH COLLECTIVELY HAVE A TREMENDOUS IMPACT ON THE PARISH'S ECONOMIC HEALTH OUR DIVERSE MEMBERS RANGE FROM MAJOR BANKS, REGIONAL LAW FIRMS, REAL ESTATE DEVELOPERS, AND MANY OTHER LARGE AND SMALL COMPANIES THE JBC ACCOMPLISHES ITS MISSION IN TWO WAYS BY PROVIDING A PROACTIVE FORUM FOR BUSINESSES, AND THROUGH ADVOCACY AND LEADERSHIP WE FOSTER OPEN, FREQUENT COMMUNICATION BETWEEN THE BUSINESS COMMUNITY AND GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS AS BUSINESS NEED GOVERNMENT POLICIES THAT UNLEASH THE STRENGTH OF THE PRIVATE SECTOR, WE ASSIST PARISH LEADERS IN DEVELOPING STRATEGIES FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND GROWTH THE JBC HAS THE MEMBERS, AGENDA, AND DETERMINATION TO ASSURE THE PROSPERITY OF THE REGION'S LARGEST PARISH SINCE KATRINA, THE JBC HAS BEEN A PRINCIPAL ADVOCATE FOR THE JEFFERSON EDGE 2020 QUALITY OF LIFE INITIATIVE TO ADDRESS THE PARISH'S MOST CRITICAL ISSUES THESE INCLUDE FLOOD PROTECTION, CRIME, PUBLIC EDUCATION, HEALTHCARE, BEAUTIFICATION, INSURANCE, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, AND THE REDEVELOPMENT OF FAT CITY THE JEFFERSON PARISH COUNCIL'S ADOPTION OF THE FAT CITY REDEVELOPEMENT PLAN AND THE DRAMATIC TURNOVER IN THE JEFFERSON PARISH SCHOOL BOARD REFLECT THE EFFECTIVENESS OF THE JBC'S LEADERSHIP THE JBC DOES NOT ENDORSE CANDIDATES FOR ELECTED OFFICE, BUT OCCASIONALLY WILL HOST OPPORTUNITIES TO MEET AND GREET CANDIDATES THE JBC PARTICIPATES IN THE SOUTHEAST BUSINESS COALITION WHICH INCLUDES THE BUSINESS COUNCILS OF PLAQUEMINES, ST BERNARD, ORLEANS, AND ST TAMMANY PARISHES WITH A FOCUS ON REGIONAL ISSUES SUCH AS THE PORTS, HEALTHCARE AND ARMSTRONG INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT THE JBC HAS STRONG TIES TO BOTH JEDCO AND GNO INC , AND IS A MEMBER ORGANIZATION OF BLUEPRINT LOUISIANA GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS ARE MONTHLY WITH BI-MONTHLY EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETINGS COMMITTEES ARE FORMED AS NEEDED FOR EXAMPLE, OUR LEGISLATURE COMMITTEE MONITORS PENDING STATE AND NATIONAL LEGISLATION AFFECTING BUSINESS, INCLUDING TAX ISSUES MEMBERS ARE ACTIVE IN MANY ORGANIZATIONS WHICH RANGE FROM THE LOUISIANA RECOVERY AUTHORITY, REGIONAL BUSINESS COUNCIL, BUREAU OF GOVERNMENT RESEARCH, AND A MULTITUDE OF OTHER PROMINENT GOVERNMENT BOARDS, COMMISSIONS, AND BUSINESS ORGANIZATIONS</p> <p>(Grants \$ 0) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here . . . <input type="checkbox"/></p>	28a	0

TY 2018 Transfers Personal Benefits Contracts Declaration

Name: JEFFERSON BUSINESS COUNCIL

EIN: 72-1201437

Declaration: THE ORGANIZATION DID NOT, DURING THE YEAR, RECEIVE ANY FUNDS, DIRECTLY,OR INDIRECTLY, TO PAY PREMIUMS ON A PERSONAL BENEFIT CONTRACT.THE ORGANIZATION, DID NOT, DURING THE YEAR, PAY ANY PREMIUMS, DIRECTLY,OR INDIRECTLY, ON A PERSONAL BENEFIT CONTRACT.

SCHEDULE C
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Political Campaign and Lobbying Activities
For Organizations Exempt From Income Tax Under section 501(c) and section 527

▶Complete if the organization is described below. ▶Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ.
▶Go to www.irs.gov/Form990 for instructions and the latest information.

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If the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, Line 3, or Form 990-EZ, Part V, line 46 (Political Campaign Activities), then
 ● Section 501(c)(3) organizations Complete Parts I-A and B Do not complete Part I-C
 ● Section 501(c) (other than section 501(c)(3)) organizations Complete Parts I-A and C below Do not complete Part I-B
 ● Section 527 organizations Complete Part I-A only
If the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, Line 4, or Form 990-EZ, Part VI, line 47 (Lobbying Activities), then
 ● Section 501(c)(3) organizations that have filed Form 5768 (election under section 501(h)) Complete Part II-A Do not complete Part II-B
 ● Section 501(c)(3) organizations that have NOT filed Form 5768 (election under section 501(h)) Complete Part II-B Do not complete Part II-A
If the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, Line 5 (Proxy Tax) (see separate instructions) or Form 990-EZ, Part V, line 35c (Proxy Tax) (see separate instructions), then
 ● Section 501(c)(4), (5), or (6) organizations Complete Part III

Name of the organization JEFFERSON BUSINESS COUNCIL	Employer identification number 72-1201437
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Part I-A Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c) or is a section 527 organization.

- 1 Provide a description of the organization's direct and indirect political campaign activities in Part IV (see instructions for definition of "political campaign activities")
- 2 Political campaign activity expenditures (see instructions) ▶ \$ _____
- 3 Volunteer hours for political campaign activities (see instructions) _____

Part I-B Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(3).

- 1 Enter the amount of any excise tax incurred by the organization under section 4955 ▶ \$ _____
- 2 Enter the amount of any excise tax incurred by organization managers under section 4955 ▶ \$ _____
- 3 If the organization incurred a section 4955 tax, did it file Form 4720 for this year? Yes No
- 4a Was a correction made? Yes No
- b If "Yes," describe in Part IV

Part I-C Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c), except section 501(c)(3).

- 1 Enter the amount directly expended by the filing organization for section 527 exempt function activities ▶ \$ _____
- 2 Enter the amount of the filing organization's funds contributed to other organizations for section 527 exempt function activities ▶ \$ _____
- 3 Total exempt function expenditures Add lines 1 and 2 Enter here and on Form 1120-POL, line 17b ▶ \$ _____
- 4 Did the filing organization file **Form 1120-POL** for this year? Yes No
- 5 Enter the names, addresses and employer identification number (EIN) of all section 527 political organizations to which the filing organization made payments For each organization listed, enter the amount paid from the filing organization's funds Also enter the amount of political contributions received that were promptly and directly delivered to a separate political organization, such as a separate segregated fund or a political action committee (PAC) If additional space is needed, provide information in Part IV

(a) Name	(b) Address	(c) EIN	(d) Amount paid from filing organization's funds If none, enter -0-	(e) Amount of political contributions received and promptly and directly delivered to a separate political organization If none, enter -0-
1				
2				
3				
4				
5				
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Part II-B Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(3) and has NOT filed Form 5768 (election under section 501(h)).

For each "Yes" response on lines 1a through 1i below, provide in Part IV a detailed description of the lobbying activity

	(a)		(b)
	Yes	No	Amount
1 During the year, did the filing organization attempt to influence foreign, national, state or local legislation, including any attempt to influence public opinion on a legislative matter or referendum, through the use of			
a Volunteers?			
b Paid staff or management (include compensation in expenses reported on lines 1c through 1i)?			
c Media advertisements?			
d Mailings to members, legislators, or the public?			
e Publications, or published or broadcast statements?			
f Grants to other organizations for lobbying purposes?			
g Direct contact with legislators, their staffs, government officials, or a legislative body?			
h Rallies, demonstrations, seminars, conventions, speeches, lectures, or any similar means?			
i Other activities?			
j Total Add lines 1c through 1i			
2a Did the activities in line 1 cause the organization to be not described in section 501(c)(3)?			
b If "Yes," enter the amount of any tax incurred under section 4912			
c If "Yes," enter the amount of any tax incurred by organization managers under section 4912			
d If the filing organization incurred a section 4912 tax, did it file Form 4720 for this year?			

Part III-A Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(4), section 501(c)(5), or section 501(c)(6).

	Yes	No
1 Were substantially all (90% or more) dues received nondeductible by members?	1	No
2 Did the organization make only in-house lobbying expenditures of \$2,000 or less?	2	No
3 Did the organization agree to carry over lobbying and political expenditures from the prior year?	3	No

Part III-B Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(4), section 501(c)(5), or section 501(c)(6) and if either (a) BOTH Part III-A, lines 1 and 2, are answered "No" OR (b) Part III-A, line 3, is answered "Yes."

1 Dues, assessments and similar amounts from members	1	185,063
2 Section 162(e) nondeductible lobbying and political expenditures (do not include amounts of political expenses for which the section 527(f) tax was paid).		
a Current year	2a	74,500
b Carryover from last year	2b	
c Total	2c	74,500
3 Aggregate amount reported in section 6033(e)(1)(A) notices of nondeductible section 162(e) dues	3	
4 If notices were sent and the amount on line 2c exceeds the amount on line 3, what portion of the excess does the organization agree to carryover to the reasonable estimate of nondeductible lobbying and political expenditure next year?	4	0
5 Taxable amount of lobbying and political expenditures (see instructions)	5	74,500

Part IV Supplemental Information

Provide the descriptions required for Part I-A, line 1, Part I-B, line 4, Part I-C, line 5, Part II-A (affiliated group list), Part II-A, lines 1 and 2 (see instructions), and Part II-B, line 1 Also, complete this part for any additional information

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.

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Name of the organization
JEFFERSON BUSINESS COUNCIL

Employer identification number

72-1201437

990 Schedule O, Supplemental Information

Return Reference	Explanation
FORM 990-EZ, PART I, LINE 4 - OTHER INVESTMENT INCOME	DESCRIPTION INVESTMENT INCOME AMOUNT 784

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Return Reference	Explanation
FORM 990-EZ, PART I, LINE 8 - OTHER REVENUE	DESCRIPTION OTHER INCOME AMOUNT 195

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FORM 990-EZ, PART I, LINE 10 - GRANTS AND SIMILAR AMOUNTS PAID	ACTIVITY CLASSIFICATION GRANTEE NAME GREATER NEW ORLEANS, INC GRANTEE ADDRESS 365 C ANAL STREET NEW ORLEANS, LA 70130 GRANTEE RELATIONSHIP NONE PROPERTY DESCRIPTION CASH DATE OF GIFT 03/12/18 AMOUNT GIVEN 20,000

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Return Reference	Explanation
FORM 990-EZ, PART I, LINE 10 - GRANTS AND SIMILAR AMOUNTS PAID	ACTIVITY CLASSIFICATION GRANTEE NAME POLICY INSTITUTE FOR CHILDREN GRANTEE ADDRESS P O BOX 13552 NEW ORLEANS, LA 70185 GRANTEE RELATIONSHIP NONE PROPERTY DESCRIPTION CASH DATE OF GIFT 02/26/18 AMOUNT GIVEN 500

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FORM 990-EZ, PART I, LINE 10 - GRANTS AND SIMILAR AMOUNTS PAID	ACTIVITY CLASSIFICATION GRANTEE NAME JEFFERSON CHAMBER FOUNDATION GRANTEE ADDRESS 34 21 N CAUSEWAY BLVD SUITE 203 METAIRIE, LA 70002 GRANTEE RELATIONSHIP NONE PROPERTY DESCRIPTION CASH DATE OF GIFT 04/05/18 AMOUNT GIVEN 640

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FORM 990-EZ, PART I, LINE 10 - GRANTS AND SIMILAR AMOUNTS PAID	ACTIVITY CLASSIFICATION GRANTEE NAME FORWARD JEFFERSON CORPORATION GRANTEE ADDRESS 700 CHURCHILL PKWY AVONDALE, LA 70094 GRANTEE RELATIONSHIP NONE PROPERTY DESCRIPTION C ASH DATE OF GIFT 09/14/18 AMOUNT GIVEN 5,000

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FORM 990-EZ, PART I, LINE 10 - GRANTS AND SIMILAR AMOUNTS PAID	ACTIVITY CLASSIFICATION GRANTEE NAME JEFFERSON PARISH PUBLIC SCHOOL SYSTEM GRANTEE ADDRESS 501 MANHATTAN BLVD HARVEY, LA 70058 GRANTEE RELATIONSHIP NONE PROPERTY DESCRIPTION CASH DATE OF GIFT 09/20/18 AMOUNT GIVEN 4,000 TOTAL INCLUDED ON FORM 990-EZ, LINE 10 30,140

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FORM 990-EZ, PART I, LINE 16 - OTHER EXPENSES	DESCRIPTION SPONSORSHIPS AMOUNT 6,230 DESCRIPTION MEETING EXPENSE AMOUNT 7,337 DESCRIPTION INSURANCE AMOUNT 714 DESCRIPTION DUES AMOUNT 250 DESCRIPTION OPERATIONS AMOUNT 490 DESCRIPTION TRAVEL AMOUNT 1,700 DESCRIPTION OTHER BUSINESS EXPENSE AMOUNT 105 DESCRIPTION AWARD AMOUNT 1,324 DESCRIPTION JPSS PROMOTION AMOUNT 6,670 DESCRIPTION LOBBYING AMOUNT 74,500 TOTAL TO FORM 990-EZ, LINE 16 99,320

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FORM 990-EZ, PART II, LINE 26 - OTHER LIABILITIES	DESCRIPTION UNEARNED REVENUE BEG OF YEAR AMOUNT 73,500 END OF YEAR AMOUNT 80,500