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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 1545-0047
2020
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 ▶ Go to www.irs.gov/Form990EZ for instructions and the latest information. *2012*

A For the 2020 calendar year, or tax year beginning January 1, **2020, and ending** December 31, **20**

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

C Name of organization Charcoal Project, Inc
 Number and street (or P.O. box if mail is not delivered to street address) 378 Clinton Street Room/suite Suite 1
 City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code Brooklyn, NY 11231 *03*

D Employer identification number 273653389
E Telephone number 914-589-8838
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: ▶ www.charcoalproject.org

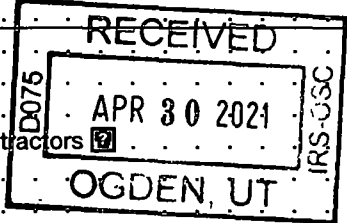
J Tax-exempt status (check only one) – 501(c)(3) 501(c) () ◀ (insert no.) 4947(a)(1) or 527

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)) are \$500,000 or more, file Form 990 instead of Form 990-EZ. ▶ \$ 68,113 75

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	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1	Contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts received	1 68,113 75
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 2	Program service revenue including government fees and contracts	2 0
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 3	Membership dues and assessments	3 0
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 4	Investment income	4 0
	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 0
	6	Gaming and fundraising events:	
	a	Gross income from gaming (attach Schedule G if greater than \$15,000)	6a
	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
c	Less: direct expenses from gaming and fundraising events	6c	
d	Net income or (loss) from gaming and fundraising events (add lines 6a and 6b and subtract line 6c)	6d 0	
7a	Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances	7a	
b	Less: cost of goods sold	7b	
c	Gross profit or (loss) from sales of inventory (subtract line 7b from line 7a)	7c 0	
8	Other revenue (describe in Schedule O)	8 0	
9	Total revenue. Add lines 1, 2, 3, 4, 5c, 6d, 7c, and 8	9 68,113 75	
Expenses	10	Grants and similar amounts paid (list in Schedule O)	10 20,200 00
	11	Benefits paid to or for members	11 0
	12	Salaries, other compensation, and employee benefits <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	12 62,000 04
	13	Professional fees and other payments to independent contractors <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	13 1,698 86
	14	Occupancy, rent, utilities, and maintenance	14 0
	15	Printing, publications, postage, and shipping	15 0
	16	Other expenses (describe in Schedule O) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	16 10,253 62
17	Total expenses. Add lines 10 through 16	17 94,152 52	
Net Assets	18	Excess or (deficit) for the year (subtract line 17 from line 9)	18 (26,038 77)
	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 82,381 45
	20	Other changes in net assets or fund balances (explain in Schedule O)	20 0
	21	Net assets or fund balances at end of year. Combine lines 18 through 20	21 56,342 68



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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
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 activities (such as those reported on lines 2, 6a, and 7a, among others)?
35b If "Yes" to line 35a, has the organization filed a Form 990-T for the year? If "No," provide an explanation in Schedule O
35c 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
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
37a Enter amount of political expenditures, direct or indirect, as described in the instructions
37b Did the organization file Form 1120-POL for this year?
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?
38b If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part II, and enter the total amount involved
39 Section 501(c)(7) organizations. Enter:
39a Initiation fees and capital contributions included on line 9
39b Gross receipts, included on line 9, for public use of club facilities
40a Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Enter amount of tax imposed on the organization during the year under: section 4911; section 4912; section 4955
40b 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
40c 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
40d Section 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations. Enter amount of tax on line 40c reimbursed by the organization
40e 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
41 List the states with which a copy of this return is filed
42a The organization's books are in care of Sylvia Herzog, Director and Board Treasurer Telephone no. 914-589-8838 Located at 220 Croton Avenue, Mt Kisco, NY ZIP + 4 10549-1033
42b 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)? If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country
42c At any time during the calendar year, did the organization maintain an office outside the United States? 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
44a Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds during the year? If "Yes," Form 990 must be completed instead of Form 990-EZ
44b Did the organization operate one or more hospital facilities during the year? If "Yes," Form 990 must be completed instead of Form 990-EZ
44c Did the organization receive any payments for indoor tanning services during the year?
44d If "Yes" to line 44c, has the organization filed a Form 720 to report these payments? If "No," provide an explanation in Schedule O
45a Did the organization have a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)?
45b 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

	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?		<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 0

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
None		

d Total number of other independent contractors each receiving over \$100,000 0

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 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<i>Sylvia Herzog</i> Signature of officer	4/17/21 Date
	Sylvia Herzog, Director and Board Treasurer 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

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
Charcoal Project, Inc

Employer identification number
27-3653389

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.

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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) 2016	(b) 2017	(c) 2018	(d) 2019	(e) 2020	(f) Total
1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received. (Do not include any "unusual grants.")	30,250 00	26,055 00	112,770 00	193,529 98	68,113 75	430,718 73
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	30,250 00	26,055 00	112,770 00	193,529 98	68,113 75	430,718 73
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)						16,271 25
6 Public support. Subtract line 5 from line 4						414,447 48

Section B. Total Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ▶	(a) 2016	(b) 2017	(c) 2018	(d) 2019	(e) 2020	(f) Total
7 Amounts from line 4	30,250 00	26,055 00	112,770 00	193,529 98	68,113 75	430,718 73
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						430,718 73
12 Gross receipts from related activities, etc. (see instructions)					12	
13 First 5 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

14 Public support percentage for 2020 (line 6, column (f), divided by line 11, column (f))	14	96 22 %
15 Public support percentage from 2019 Schedule A, Part II, line 14	15	99 25 %
16a 33 1/3% support test—2020. If the organization did not check the box on line 13, and line 14 is 33 1/3% or more, check this box and stop here. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization ▶ <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
b 33 1/3% support test—2019. If the organization did not check a box on line 13 or 16a, and line 15 is 33 1/3% 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—2020. 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"/>		
b 10%-facts-and-circumstances test—2019. If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, 16b, or 17a, and line 15 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"/>		
18 Private foundation. If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, 16b, 17a, or 17b, check this box and see instructions ▶ <input type="checkbox"/>		

**SCHEDULE O
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)**

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Name of the organization
Charcoal Project, Inc

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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Employer identification number
273653389

990 EZ Line 16 Other Expense Detail

Banking and Finance Fees \$281 47

Dues, Subscriptions & Internet \$1,793.75

Payroll Taxes & Licenses \$5,381 82

Travel \$2,534 55

Program Expenses \$211 33

Miscellaneous \$51 00

Total \$10,253 62

990 EZ Line 26 Liabilities

Federal Withholding & Employment Taxes Payable \$1,366 93

New York State Withholding Taxes Payable \$767 13

Chase Credit Card Payable \$29 99

Employee Reimbursement Payable \$234 38

Total Liabilities \$2,398 43

990 EZ Line 31 Other Program Expenses

COVID Relief Microgrants \$6,700 00

Travel \$2,015 02

Travel Meals \$519 53

Program Expenses \$211 03

Total \$9,445 58

990 EZ Line 10 Grants and Similar Amounts Paid

AEST Ltd , Uganda, COVID Microgrant, \$3,000

El Nido, New York, Programming Expenses, \$10,000

Name of the organization Charcoal Project, Inc.	Employer identification number 27-3653389
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990 EZ Line 10 Grants, Continued

Green Eco Solutions, Kenya, COVID Microgrant, \$250

Eyoh Alder Ventures, Kenya, COVID Microgrant, \$250

Eco-charcoal Ltd, Kenya, COVID Microgrant, \$750

Winam Green Ventures, Kenya, Program Support, \$500

Rubaare Educational Foundation, Uganda, Program Support, \$200

Green Bio Energy, Uganda, COVID Microgrant, \$250

Nyalore Impact, Kenya, COVID Microgrant, \$250

Farmers with a Vision, Kenya, COVID Microgrant, \$250

Najmaz Enterprise, Kenya, COVID Microgrant, \$250

Goodfire Ltd , Uganda, COVID Microgrant, \$250

Maa Briquette, Kenya, COVID Microgrant, \$250

Best of Waste Ltd , Uganda, COVID Microgrant, \$250

Divine Bamboo, Uganda, COVID Microgrant, \$250

Brcket Investment Ltd , Kenya, COVID Microgrant, \$250

Green Heat Uganda, COVID Microgrant, \$250

Rattat Bio Energy, Kenya, COVID Microgrant, \$250

Kiangure Springs Environment, Kenya, COVID Microgrant, \$250

Eversave Briquettes Ltd , Kenya, COVID Microgrant, \$250

Bright Green Renewable Energy, Kenya, COVID Microgrant, \$250

Raising Gabdho Foundation, Uganda, COVID Microgrant, \$250

Ecolibrium Solar Ltd , Kenya, COVID Microgrant, \$250

ARTI-TZ, Tanzania, COVID Microgrant, \$250

Adapt Plus Ltd , Uganda, COVID Microgrant, \$250

Khmer Green Charcoal, Cambodia, COVID Microgrant, \$250

Natural Char Energy, Kenya, COVID Microgrant, \$250

Heido Haiti, Haiti, COVID Microgrant, \$250

Total Grants Paid \$20,200