

Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

2022

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

A For the 2022 calendar year, or tax year beginning _____, and ending _____

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

C Name of organization: **TENNESSEE AQUARIUM**
 Doing business as _____
 Number and street (or P.O. box if mail is not delivered to street address) Room/suite
ONE BROAD STREET, P.O. Box 11048
 City or town State ZIP code
CHATTANOOGA TN 37402
 Foreign country name Foreign province/state/county Foreign postal code

D Employer identification number: **58-1837154**

E Telephone number: **(423) 785-4002**

F Name and address of principal officer:
KEITH SANFORD 201 BROAD STREET, P.O. Box 11048, CHATTANOOGA, TN 37402

G Gross receipts \$: **31,248,531**

H(a) Is this a group return for subordinates? Yes No
H(b) Are all subordinates included? Yes No
 If "No," attach a list. See instructions

I Tax-exempt status: 501(c)(3) 501(c) () (insert no.) 4947(a)(1) or 527

J Website: **WWW.TNAQUA.ORG**

K Form of organization: Corporation Trust Association Other

L Year of formation: **1989**

M State of legal domicile: **TN**

H(c) Group exemption number _____

Part I Summary		Prior Year	Current Year
Activities & Governance	1 Briefly describe the organization's mission or most significant activities: <u>THE MISSION OF THE TENNESSEE AQUARIUM IS CONNECT PEOPLE WITH NATURE AND EMPOWER THEM TO MAKE INFORMED DECISIONS ABOUT WATER AND WILDLIFE</u>		
	2 Check this box <input type="checkbox"/> if the organization discontinued its operations or disposed of more than 25% of its net assets.		
	3 Number of voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1a)	3	12
	4 Number of independent voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1b)	4	12
	5 Total number of individuals employed in calendar year 2022 (Part V, line 2a)	5	318
	6 Total number of volunteers (estimate if necessary)	6	350
	7a Total unrelated business revenue from Part VIII, column (C), line 12	7a	525,233
b Net unrelated business taxable income from Form 990-T, Part I, line 11	7b		
Revenue	8 Contributions and grants (Part VIII, line 1h)	13,739,814	3,999,600
	9 Program service revenue (Part VIII, line 2g)	21,428,038	22,815,463
	10 Investment income (Part VIII, column (A), lines 3, 4, and 7d)	664,520	473,247
	11 Other revenue (Part VIII, column (A), lines 5, 6d, 8c, 9c, 10c, and 11e)	910,483	1,089,225
	12 Total revenue—add lines 8 through 11 (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	36,742,855	28,377,535
	Expenses	13 Grants and similar amounts paid (Part IX, column (A), lines 1–3)	0
14 Benefits paid to or for members (Part IX, column (A), line 4)		0	0
15 Salaries, other compensation, employee benefits (Part IX, column (A), lines 5–10)		9,929,253	11,957,654
16a Professional fundraising fees (Part IX, column (A), line 11e)		0	0
b Total fundraising expenses (Part IX, column (D), line 25)		410,867	
17 Other expenses (Part IX, column (A), lines 11a–11d, 11f–24e)		12,324,059	13,682,883
18 Total expenses. Add lines 13–17 (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	22,253,312	25,640,537	
19 Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 18 from line 12	14,489,543	2,736,998	
Net Assets or Fund Balances	20 Total assets (Part X, line 16)	Beginning of Current Year 81,821,526	End of Year 81,816,889
	21 Total liabilities (Part X, line 26)	18,725,218	18,239,281
	22 Net assets or fund balances. Subtract line 21 from line 20	63,096,308	63,577,608

Part II Signature Block

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: **GORDON A STALANS** Date: **11/12/2023**
 Type or print name and title: **VICE PRESIDENT-COO, CFO, CIO**

Paid Preparer Use Only

Print/Type preparer's name: **GORDON A STALANS** Preparer's signature: _____ Date: **11/27/2023** Check if self-employed PTIN: _____
 Firm's name: _____ Firm's EIN: _____
 Firm's address: _____ Phone no.: _____

Part III

Statement of Program Service Accomplishments

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part III

Input box for Schedule O check

1 Briefly describe the organization's mission: THE MISSION OF THE TENNESSEE AQUARIUM IS TO CONNECT PEOPLE WITH NATURE AND EMPOWER THEM TO MAKE INFORMED DECISIONS ABOUT WATER AND WILDLIFE

2 Did the organization undertake any significant program services during the year which were not listed on the prior Form 990 or 990-EZ? [] Yes [X] No

3 Did the organization cease conducting, or make significant changes in how it conducts, any program services? [] Yes [X] No

4 Describe the organization's program service accomplishments for each of its three largest program services, as measured by expenses. Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations are required to report the amount of grants and allocations to others, the total expenses, and revenue, if any, for each program service reported.

4a (Code:) (Expenses \$ 16,960,714 including grants of \$) (Revenue \$) THE TENNESSEE AQUARIUM IS A HIGHLY VISITED ATTRACTION AND IS CONSISTENTLY RATED VERY HIGH IN GUEST SATISFACTION. AFTER THIRTY YEARS THE AQUARIUM CONTINUES TO BE A MAJOR CATALYST FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, PROVIDING STRONG FISCAL AND ECONOMIC IMPACTS ON THE REGION. IN 2022, THE AQUARIUM WELCOMED MORE THAN 772,000 VISITORS TO ITS RIVER JOURNEY AND OCEAN JOURNEY BUILDINGS. THROUGH VIBRANT AND UNIQUE EXHIBITS THE AQUARIUM IMMERSSES VISITORS IN THE FASCINATING STORIES OF LIFE ABOVE, AROUND AND BELOW THE WATER. THESE EXHIBITS HOUSE 12,000 ANIMALS REPRESENTING 800 SPECIES, MANY OF WHOM ARE PART OF SPECIES SURVIVAL PLANS COORDINATED BY ZOOS AND AQUARIUMS ACROSS THE COUNTRY. THE AQUARIUM ALSO INCLUDES AN IMAX 3D THEATER SHOWING EDUCATIONAL AND INSPIRING FILMS DAILY. THE AQUARIUM HAS BEEN CONTINUOUSLY ACCREDITED BY THE AZA FOR TWENTY-EIGHT YEARS, AFFIRMING A GOAL TO ACHIEVE THE HIGHEST STANDARDS OF WELLBEING FOR THE ANIMALS IN OUR CARE. THIS ACCREDITATION REFLECTS OUR COMMITMENT TO THE BEST PRACTICES OF OUR INDUSTRY.

4b (Code:) (Expenses \$ 610,351 including grants of \$) (Revenue \$) THE RIVERS OF THE SOUTHEASTERN UNITED STATES HARBOR SOME OF THE HIGHEST FRESHWATER DIVERSITY ON THE PLANET. BASED IN A LEED GOLD CERTIFIED FRESHWATER SCIENCE CENTER ON THE BANKS OF THE TENNESSEE RIVER, THE TENNESSEE AQUARIUM CONSERVATION INSTITUTE FURTHERS THE MISSION OF THE TENNESSEE AQUARIUM BY CONDUCTING SCIENTIFIC STUDIES, RESTORING AND PROTECTING OUR REGION'S NATURAL ECOSYSTEMS, AND EDUCATING MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO TAKE CONSERVATION ACTION. RESEARCH TO IDENTIFY WHICH SOUTHEASTERN WATERS HAVE THE GREATEST BIODIVERSITY IS VITAL FOR CONSERVATION PLANNING IN THE SOUTHEAST, BECAUSE IT CAN BE USED TO IDENTIFY HOTSPOTS OF DIVERSITY THAT NEED PROTECTION. ONE SIGNATURE PROGRAM IS THE PROPAGATION AND REINTRODUCTION OF LAKE STURGEON TO THE TENNESSEE RIVER. THE AQUARIUM AND ITS PARTNERS HAVE RELEASED MORE THAN 300,000 LAKE STURGEON.

4c (Code:) (Expenses \$ 571,650 including grants of \$) (Revenue \$) THE TENNESSEE AQUARIUM IS A LEADER IN ENVIRONMENTAL AND CONSERVATION EDUCATION AND HAS RECEIVED OVERWHELMING ACCLAIM FOR ITS EDUCATION PROGRAMS. FREQUENTLY HONORED FOR ITS EDUCATION, CONSERVATION AND RESEARCH WORK, THE AQUARIUM HAS ALSO RECEIVED AWARDS FOR ITS CUSTOMER SERVICE AND VISITOR EXPERIENCE. CONSERVATION EDUCATOR OF THE YEAR FROM THE TENNESSEE WILDLIFE FEDERATION, OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARDSHIP AWARD, AND THE NORTH AMERICAN CONSERVATION AWARD AQUARIUM EDUCATORS HAVE CONNECTED MORE THAN 2.5 MILLION STUDENTS WITH THE NATURAL WORLD THROUGH THE AQUARIUM'S DYNAMIC LIVING COLLECTION. SCHOOL GROUPS CAN SELECT FROM SEVERAL ACTIVITIES INCLUDING SELF-GUIDED TOURS OF THE AQUARIUM, STANDARDS-BASED CLASSROOM PROGRAMS AND EDUCATIONAL IMAX FILMS. THE AQUARIUM OFFERS COMPLIMENTARY ADMISSION AND BUS TRANSPORTATION FOR ECONOMICALLY DISADVANTAGED STUDENTS IN TITLE I SCHOOLS.

4d Other program services (Describe on Schedule O.) (Expenses \$ 0 including grants of \$ 0) (Revenue \$ 0)

4e Total program service expenses 18,142,715

Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules

	Yes	No
1 Is the organization described in section 501(c)(3) or 4947(a)(1) (other than a private foundation)? If "Yes," complete Schedule A	X	
2 Is the organization required to complete Schedule B, Schedule of Contributors? See instructions	X	
3 Did the organization engage in direct or indirect political campaign activities on behalf of or in opposition to candidates for public office? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part I		X
4 Section 501(c)(3) organizations. 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		X
5 Is the organization a section 501(c)(4), 501(c)(5), or 501(c)(6) organization that receives membership dues, assessments, or similar amounts as defined in Rev. Proc. 98-19? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part III		X
6 Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds or any similar funds or accounts for which donors have the right to provide advice on the distribution or investment of amounts in such funds or accounts? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part I		X
7 Did the organization receive or hold a conservation easement, including easements to preserve open space, the environment, historic land areas, or historic structures? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part II		X
8 Did the organization maintain collections of works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part III		X
9 Did the organization report an amount in Part X, line 21, for escrow or custodial account liability, serve as a custodian for amounts not listed in Part X; or provide credit counseling, debt management, credit repair, or debt negotiation services? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part IV		X
10 Did the organization, directly or through a related organization, hold assets in donor-restricted endowments or in quasi endowments? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part V	X	
11 If the organization's answer to any of the following questions is "Yes," then complete Schedule D, Parts VI, VII, VIII, IX, or X, as applicable.		
a Did the organization report an amount for land, buildings, and equipment in Part X, line 10? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VI	X	
b Did the organization report an amount for investments—other securities in Part X, line 12, that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VII		X
c Did the organization report an amount for investments—program related in Part X, line 13, that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VIII		X
d Did the organization report an amount for other assets in Part X, line 15, that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part IX		X
e Did the organization report an amount for other liabilities in Part X, line 25? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X		X
f Did the organization's separate or consolidated financial statements for the tax year include a footnote that addresses the organization's liability for uncertain tax positions under FIN 48 (ASC 740)? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X	X	
12a Did the organization obtain separate, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Parts XI and XII	X	
b Was the organization included in consolidated, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? If "Yes," and if the organization answered "No" to line 12a, then completing Schedule D, Parts XI and XII is optional		X
13 Is the organization a school described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? If "Yes," complete Schedule E		X
14a Did the organization maintain an office, employees, or agents outside of the United States?		X
b Did the organization have aggregate revenues or expenses of more than \$10,000 from grantmaking, fundraising, business, investment, and program service activities outside the United States, or aggregate foreign investments valued at \$100,000 or more? If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts I and IV		X
15 Did the organization report on Part IX, column (A), line 3, more than \$5,000 of grants or other assistance to or for any foreign organization? If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts II and IV		X
16 Did the organization report on Part IX, column (A), line 3, more than \$5,000 of aggregate grants or other assistance to or for foreign individuals? If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts III and IV		X
17 Did the organization report a total of more than \$15,000 of expenses for professional fundraising services on Part IX, column (A), lines 6 and 11e? If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part I. See instructions.		X
18 Did the organization report more than \$15,000 total of fundraising event gross income and contributions on Part VIII, lines 1c and 8a? If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part II	X	
19 Did the organization report more than \$15,000 of gross income from gaming activities on Part VIII, line 9a? If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part III		X
20a Did the organization operate one or more hospital facilities? If "Yes," complete Schedule H		X
b If "Yes" to line 20a, did the organization attach a copy of its audited financial statements to this return?		
21 Did the organization report more than \$5,000 of grants or other assistance to any domestic organization or domestic government on Part IX, column (A), line 1? If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and II		X

Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules (continued)

	Yes	No
22 Did the organization report more than \$5,000 of grants or other assistance to or for domestic individuals on Part IX, column (A), line 2? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and III.</i>		X
23 Did the organization answer "Yes" to Part VII, Section A, line 3, 4, or 5, about compensation of the organization's current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, and highest compensated employees? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J.</i>	X	
24a Did the organization have a tax-exempt bond issue with an outstanding principal amount of more than \$100,000 as of the last day of the year, that was issued after December 31, 2002? <i>If "Yes," answer lines 24b through 24d and complete Schedule K. If "No," go to line 25a.</i>	X	
24b Did the organization invest any proceeds of tax-exempt bonds beyond a temporary period exception?		X
24c Did the organization maintain an escrow account other than a refunding escrow at any time during the year to defease any tax-exempt bonds?		X
24d Did the organization act as an "on behalf of" issuer for bonds outstanding at any time during the year?		X
25a Section 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations. Did the organization engage in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person during the year? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I.</i>		X
b Is the organization aware that it engaged in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person in a prior year, and that the transaction has not been reported on any of the organization's prior Forms 990 or 990-EZ? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I.</i>		X
26 Did the organization report any amount on Part X, line 5 or 22, for receivables from or payables to any current or former officer, director, trustee, key employee, creator or founder, substantial contributor, or 35% controlled entity or family member of any of these persons? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part II.</i>		X
27 Did the organization provide a grant or other assistance to any current or former officer, director, trustee, key employee, creator or founder, substantial contributor or employee thereof, a grant selection committee member, or to a 35% controlled entity (including an employee thereof) or family member of any of these persons? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part III.</i>		X
28 Was the organization a party to a business transaction with one of the following parties (see the Schedule L, Part IV, instructions for applicable filing thresholds, conditions, and exceptions):		
a A current or former officer, director, trustee, key employee, creator or founder, or substantial contributor? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV.</i>	X	
b A family member of any individual described in line 28a? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV.</i>	X	
c A 35% controlled entity of one or more individuals and/or organizations described in line 28a or 28b? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV.</i>	X	
29 Did the organization receive more than \$25,000 in non-cash contributions? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule M.</i>		X
30 Did the organization receive contributions of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets, or qualified conservation contributions? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule M.</i>		X
31 Did the organization liquidate, terminate, or dissolve and cease operations? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part I.</i>		X
32 Did the organization sell, exchange, dispose of, or transfer more than 25% of its net assets? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part II.</i>		X
33 Did the organization own 100% of an entity disregarded as separate from the organization under Regulations sections 301.7701-2 and 301.7701-3? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part I.</i>		X
34 Was the organization related to any tax-exempt or taxable entity? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part II, III, or IV, and Part V, line 1.</i>		X
35a Did the organization have a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)?		X
b If "Yes" to line 35a, did the organization receive any payment from or engage in any transaction with a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2.</i>		
36 Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2.</i>		X
37 Did the organization conduct more than 5% of its activities through an entity that is not a related organization and that is treated as a partnership for federal income tax purposes? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part VI.</i>		X
38 Did the organization complete Schedule O and provide explanations on Schedule O for Part VI, lines 11b and 19? Note: All Form 990 filers are required to complete Schedule O.	X	

Part V Statements Regarding Other IRS Filings and Tax Compliance
 Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part V.

	Yes	No
1a Enter the number reported in box 3 of Form 1096. Enter -0- if not applicable.		
b Enter the number of Forms W-2G included on line 1a. Enter -0- if not applicable.		
c Did the organization comply with backup withholding rules for reportable payments to vendors and reportable gaming (gambling) winnings to prize winners?		

Part V Statements Regarding Other IRS Filings and Tax Compliance (continued)

Table with columns for question number, question text, and Yes/No columns. Includes questions 2a through 17 regarding employee reporting, tax shelter transactions, contributions, and organizational status.

Part VI Governance, Management, and Disclosure For each "Yes" response to lines 2 through 7b below, and for a "No" response to line 8a, 8b, or 10b below, describe the circumstances, processes, or changes on Schedule O. See instructions. Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part VI. [X]

Section A. Governing Body and Management

Table with 3 columns: Question, Yes, No. Rows include: 1a (12), 1b (12), 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7a, 7b, 8a, 8b, 9. Includes a large 'Pre-filing Only' watermark.

Section B. Policies (This Section B requests information about policies not required by the Internal Revenue Code.)

Table with 3 columns: Question, Yes, No. Rows include: 10a, 10b, 11a, 11b, 12a, 12b, 12c, 13, 14, 15a, 15b, 16a, 16b.

Section C. Disclosure

Table with 2 columns: Question, Answer. Rows include: 17 (TN), 18 (Own website, Another's website, Upon request, Other), 19, 20 (GORDON A STALANS, 201 CHESTNUT STREET, CHATTANOOGA, TN 37402, (423) 785-2054).

Part VII Compensation of Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, Highest Compensated Employees, and Independent Contractors

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part VII.

Section A. Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees

1a Complete this table for all persons required to be listed. Report compensation for the calendar year ending with or within the organization's tax year.

- List all of the organization's **current** officers, directors, trustees (whether individuals or organizations), regardless of amount of compensation. Enter -0- in columns (D), (E), and (F) if no compensation was paid.
- List all of the organization's **current** key employees, if any. See the instructions for definition of "key employee."
- List the organization's five **current** highest compensated employees (other than an officer, director, trustee, or key employee) who received reportable compensation (box 5 of Form W-2, box 6 of Form 1099-MISC, and/or box 1 of Form 1099-NEC) of more than \$100,000 from the organization and any related organizations.
- List all of the organization's **former** officers, key employees, and highest compensated employees who received more than \$100,000 of reportable compensation from the organization and any related organizations.
- List all of the organization's **former directors or trustees** that received, in the capacity as a former director or trustee of the organization, more than \$10,000 of reportable compensation from the organization and any related organizations.

See the instructions for the order in which to list the persons above.

Check this box if neither the organization nor any related organization compensated any current officer, director, or trustee.

(A) Name and title	(B) Average hours per week (list any hours for related organizations below dotted line)	(C) Position (do not check more than one box, unless person is both an officer and a director/trustee)						(D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W-2/ 1099-MISC/ 1099-NEC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W-2/ 1099-MISC/ 1099-NEC)	(F) Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations
		Individual trustee or director	Institutional trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former			
(1) WALTER K SANFORD PRESIDENT	40.00 0.00			X	X	X		330,184	0	32,305
(2) JACKSON C ANDREWS FORMER COO	40.00 0.00				X		X	221,525	0	24,214
(3) GORDON A STALANS COO, CFO, CIO	40.00 0.00				X			216,395	0	24,155
(4) ANNA GEORGE CHIEF CONSERVATION/EDUCATION OFFICER	40.00 0.00				X			163,171	0	22,179
(5) JULIE M PIPER CHIEF HR OFFICER	40.00 0.00				X			152,237	0	12,845
(6) THOM BENSON CHIEF MARKETING & COMM OFFICER	40.00 0.00				X			140,468	0	18,773
(7) VAL ARMSTRONG CHAIR	6.00 0.00	X		X						
(8) SCOTT PIERCE VICE CHAIR	4.00 0.00	X		X						
(9) PATRICK STOWE TREASURER	4.00 0.00	X		X						
(10) CATHERINE COLBY SECRETARY	4.00 0.00	X		X						
(11) HARRISON LEWIS TRUSTEE	2.00 0.00	X								
(12) STACY LIGHTFOOT TRUSTEE	2.00 0.00	X								
(13) CAMERON DOODY TRUSTEE	2.00 0.00	X								
(14) WADE HINTON TRUSTEE	2.00 0.00	X								

Part VII Section A. Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees (continued)

(A) Name and title	(B) Average hours per week (list any hours for related organizations below dotted line)	(C) Position (do not check more than one box, unless person is both an officer and a director/trustee)						(D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W-2/1099-MISC/1099-NEC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W-2/1099-MISC/1099-NEC)	(F) Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations
		Individual trustee or director	Institutional trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former			
(15) MATTHEW RASMUSSEN TRUSTEE	2.00 0.00	X								
(16) CANDY JOHNSON TRUSTEE	2.00 0.00	X								
(17) DAPHNE KIRKSEY TRUSTEE	2.00 0.00	X								
(18) SHALIN TEJANI TRUSTEE	2.00 0.00	X								
(19)										
(20)										
(21)										
(22)										
(23)										
(24)										
(25)										
1b Subtotal							1,223,980	0	134,471	
c Total from continuation sheets to Part VII, Section A							0	0	0	
d Total (add lines 1b and 1c)							1,223,980	0	134,471	

2 Total number of individuals (including but not limited to those listed above) who received more than \$100,000 of reportable compensation from the organization 12

	Yes	No
3 Did the organization list any former officer, director, trustee, key employee, or highest compensated employee on line 1a? If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual	X	
4 For any individual listed on line 1a, is the sum of reportable compensation and other compensation from the organization and related organizations greater than \$150,000? If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual	X	
5 Did any person listed on line 1a receive or accrue compensation from any unrelated organization or individual for services rendered to the organization? If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such person		X

Section B. Independent Contractors

1 Complete this table for your five highest compensated independent contractors that received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization. Report compensation for the calendar year ending with or within the organization's tax year.

(A) Name and business address	(B) Description of services	(C) Compensation
COUNTS COMPANY 102 CEDAR LANE CHATTANOOGA, TN 37421	CONSTRUCTION SERVICE	1,335,168
BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD 1 CAMERON HILL CIRCLE CHATTANOOGA, TN 37	GROUP HEALTH INSURAN	904,129
IMPACTS RESEARCH 3720 FALCON RIDGE DRIVE MEDINA, OH 44256	MARKETING RESEARCH &	848,271
UKG PO BOX 90953 ATLANTA, GA 31193	PAYROLL SERVICES	162,103
EFFECTV PO BOX 415949 BOSTON, MA 02241	ADVERTISING	156,185

2 Total number of independent contractors (including but not limited to those listed above) who received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization 6

Part VIII Statement of Revenue

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part VIII.

				(A) Total revenue	(B) Related or exempt function revenue	(C) Unrelated business revenue	(D) Revenue excluded from tax under sections 512-514	
Contributions, Gifts, Grants and Other Similar Amounts	1a Federated campaigns	1a	0					
	b Membership dues	1b	2,346,284					
	c Fundraising events	1c	7,490					
	d Related organizations	1d	0					
	e Government grants (contributions)	1e	830,811					
	f All other contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts not included above	1f	815,015					
	g Noncash contributions included in lines 1a-1f	1g	\$ 0					
	h Total. Add lines 1a-1f							3,999,600
	Program Service Revenue	2a <u>ADMISSIONS REVENUE</u>	Business Code					
		713990		18,464,679	18,464,679			
b <u>AUXILIARY SERVICES</u>		713990		2,287,047	2,287,047			
c <u>PARKING FEES</u>		900002		934,935	934,935			
d <u>PHOTOGRAPHY FEES</u>		713990		743,427	743,427			
e <u>EDUCATION PROGRAM FEES</u>				385,375	385,375			
f All other program service revenue				0				
g Total. Add lines 2a-2f			22,815,463					
Other Revenue	3 Investment income (including dividends, interest, and other similar amounts)			550,677			550,677	
	4 Income from investment of tax-exempt bond proceeds			0				
	5 Royalties			0				
	6a Gross rents	6a	(i) Real					
			(ii) Personal					
			349,357					
	b Less: rental expenses	6b	211,422					
	c Rental income or (loss)	6c	137,935	0				
	d Net rental income or (loss)				137,935	137,935		
	7a Gross amount from sales of assets other than inventory	7a	(i) Securities					
			(ii) Other					
			2,390,095	0				
	b Less: cost or other basis and sales expenses	7b	2,467,525	0				
	c Gain or (loss)	7c	-77,430	0				
	d Net gain or (loss)				-77,430		-77,430	
8a Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ 7,490 of contributions reported on line 1c). See Part IV, line 18	8a							
			245,071					
			87,741					
b Less: direct expenses	8b							
c Net income or (loss) from fundraising events				157,330				
9a Gross income from gaming activities. See Part IV, line 19	9a		0					
			0					
			0					
b Less: direct expenses	9b							
c Net income or (loss) from gaming activities				0				
10a Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances	10a		109,867					
			104,308					
b Less: cost of goods sold	10b							
c Net income or (loss) from sales of inventory				5,559	5,559			
Miscellaneous Revenue	11a <u>CONTRACT SERVICES</u>	Business Code						
		541610		525,233		525,233		
		b <u>SPONSORSHIP INCOME</u>	713990		218,948	218,948		
		c <u>OTHER INCOME</u>	713990		44,220	44,220		
		d All other revenue			0			
e Total. Add lines 11a-11d				788,401				
12 Total revenue. See instructions				28,377,535	23,222,125	525,233	473,247	

Part IX Statement of Functional Expenses

Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations must complete all columns. All other organizations must complete column (A).

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part IX

Do not include amounts reported on lines 6b, 7b, 8b, 9b, and 10b of Part VIII.	(A) Total expenses	(B) Program service expenses	(C) Management and general expenses	(D) Fundraising expenses
1 Grants and other assistance to domestic organizations and domestic governments. See Part IV, line 21	0			
2 Grants and other assistance to domestic individuals. See Part IV, line 22	0			
3 Grants and other assistance to foreign organizations, foreign governments, and foreign individuals. See Part IV, lines 15 and 16	0			
4 Benefits paid to or for members	0			
5 Compensation of current officers, directors, trustees, and key employees	1,189,676	374,083	815,593	0
6 Compensation not included above to disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)) and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B)	8,574,338	6,231,134	2,018,418	324,786
7 Other salaries and wages	0			
8 Pension plan accruals and contributions (include section 401(k) and 403(b) employer contributions)	499,266	310,192	168,084	20,990
9 Other employee benefits	1,007,990	368,204	622,583	17,203
10 Payroll taxes	686,384	477,469	185,849	23,066
11 Fees for services (nonemployees):				
a Management	0			
b Legal	15,690		15,690	
c Accounting	25,400		25,400	
d Lobbying	0			
e Professional fundraising services. See Part IV, line 17	0			
f Investment management fees	84,354		84,354	
g Other. (If line 11g amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A), amount, list line 11g expenses on Schedule O.)	1,614,367	795,431	808,408	10,528
12 Advertising and promotion	1,595,064	1,592,675	1,687	702
13 Office expenses	44,547	1,622	42,154	771
14 Information technology	1,123,136	131,156	991,980	
15 Royalties	409,154	409,154		
16 Occupancy	2,273,395	1,938,100	335,295	
17 Travel	167,118	109,390	55,293	2,435
18 Payments of travel or entertainment expenses for any federal, state, or local public officials	0			
19 Conferences, conventions, and meetings	51,042	31,677	18,145	1,220
20 Interest	328,582	314,189	14,393	
21 Payments to affiliates	0			
22 Depreciation, depletion, and amortization	3,684,828	3,471,875	212,953	0
23 Insurance	257,197		257,197	
24 Other expenses. Itemize expenses not covered above. (List miscellaneous expenses on line 24e. If line 24e amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A), amount, list line 24e expenses on Schedule O.)				
a OPERATING SUPPLIES	591,991	559,828	31,625	538
b REPAIRS AND MAINTENANCE	695,883	695,883		
c SPECIMAN CARE	288,952	288,952		
d TAXES AND LICENSES	122,285	16,048	106,237	
e All other expenses <u>OTHER OPERATING EXPENSES</u>	309,898	25,653	275,617	8,628
25 Total functional expenses. Add lines 1 through 24e	25,640,537	18,142,715	7,086,955	410,867
26 Joint costs. Complete this line only if the organization reported in column (B) joint costs from a combined educational campaign and fundraising solicitation. Check here <input type="checkbox"/> if following SOP 98-2 (ASC 958-720)				

Part X Balance Sheet

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part X.

		(A) Beginning of year		(B) End of year		
Assets	1	Cash—non-interest-bearing	14,843,628	1	830,473	
	2	Savings and temporary cash investments	49,213	2	5,876,376	
	3	Pledges and grants receivable, net	278,861	3	19,246	
	4	Accounts receivable, net	562,170	4	653,494	
	5	Loans and other receivables from any current or former officer, director, trustee, key employee, creator or founder, substantial contributor, or 35% controlled entity or family member of any of these persons	0	5		
	6	Loans and other receivables from other disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)), and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B)	0	6		
	7	Notes and loans receivable, net	0	7	0	
	8	Inventories for sale or use	0	8		
	9	Prepaid expenses and deferred charges	712,314	9	802,881	
	10a	Land, buildings, and equipment: cost or other basis. Complete Part VI of Schedule D	10a	129,693,597		
	b	Less: accumulated depreciation	10b	83,072,254		
	11	Investments—publicly traded securities	46,621,343	10c	45,886,161	
	12	Investments—other securities. See Part IV, line 11	18,686,220	11	27,578,773	
	13	Investments—program-related. See Part IV, line 11	0	12	0	
	14	Intangible assets	0	13	0	
	15	Other assets. See Part IV, line 11	0	14	0	
16	Total assets. Add lines 1 through 15 (must equal line 33)	67,777	15	169,485		
Liabilities	17	Accounts payable and accrued expenses	81,821,526	16	81,816,889	
	18	Grants payable	2,269,862	17	2,748,230	
	19	Deferred revenue	0	18		
	20	Tax-exempt bond liabilities	1,419,855	19	1,529,622	
	21	Escrow or custodial account liability. Complete Part IV of Schedule D	14,481,959	20	13,552,850	
	22	Loans and other payables to any current or former officer, director, trustee, key employee, creator or founder, substantial contributor, or 35% controlled entity or family member of any of these persons	0	21		
	23	Secured mortgages and notes payable to unrelated third parties	0	22		
	24	Unsecured notes and loans payable to unrelated third parties	553,542	23	408,579	
	25	Other liabilities (including federal income tax, payables to related third parties, and other liabilities not included on lines 17–24). Complete Part X of Schedule D	0	24	0	
	26	Total liabilities. Add lines 17 through 25	0	25	0	
Net Assets or Fund Balances	Organizations that follow FASB ASC 958, check here <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>					
	and complete lines 27, 28, 32, and 33.					
	27	Net assets without donor restrictions	62,188,629	27	63,188,889	
	28	Net assets with donor restrictions	907,679	28	388,719	
	Organizations that do not follow FASB ASC 958, check here <input type="checkbox"/>					
	and complete lines 29 through 33.					
	29	Capital stock or trust principal, or current funds	0	29		
30	Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, building, or equipment fund	0	30			
31	Retained earnings, endowment, accumulated income, or other funds	0	31			
32	Total net assets or fund balances	63,096,308	32	63,577,608		
33	Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances	81,821,526	33	81,816,889		

Part XI Reconciliation of Net Assets

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part XI

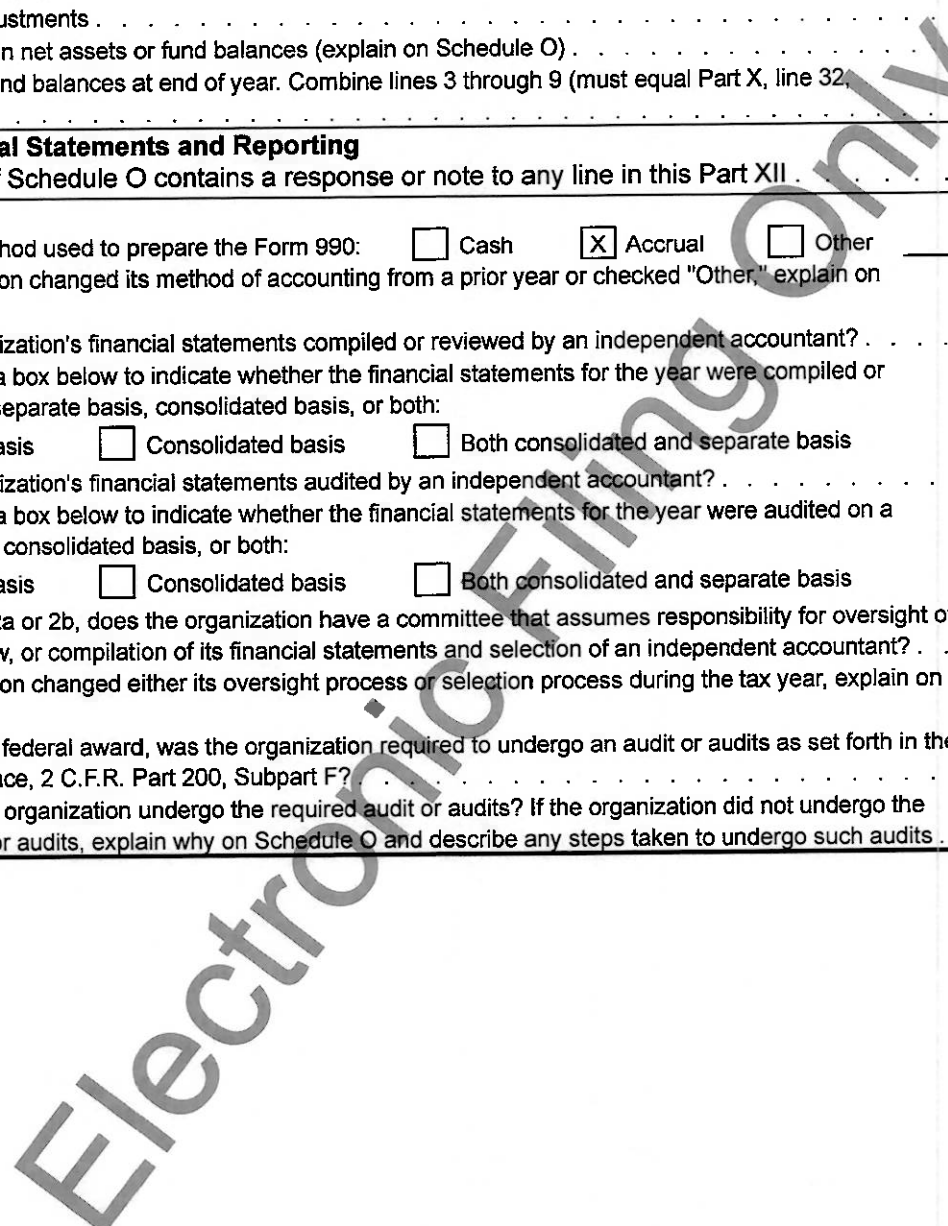
1	Total revenue (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	1	28,377,535
2	Total expenses (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	2	25,640,537
3	Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 2 from line 1	3	2,736,998
4	Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (must equal Part X, line 32, column (A))	4	63,096,308
5	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	5	-2,255,698
6	Donated services and use of facilities	6	
7	Investment expenses	7	
8	Prior period adjustments	8	
9	Other changes in net assets or fund balances (explain on Schedule O)	9	
10	Net assets or fund balances at end of year. Combine lines 3 through 9 (must equal Part X, line 32, column (B))	10	63,577,608

Part XII Financial Statements and Reporting

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part XII

- 1 Accounting method used to prepare the Form 990: Cash Accrual Other
If the organization changed its method of accounting from a prior year or checked "Other," explain on Schedule O.
- 2a Were the organization's financial statements compiled or reviewed by an independent accountant?
If "Yes," check a box below to indicate whether the financial statements for the year were compiled or reviewed on a separate basis, consolidated basis, or both:
 Separate basis Consolidated basis Both consolidated and separate basis
- b Were the organization's financial statements audited by an independent accountant?
If "Yes," check a box below to indicate whether the financial statements for the year were audited on a separate basis, consolidated basis, or both:
 Separate basis Consolidated basis Both consolidated and separate basis
- c If "Yes" to line 2a or 2b, does the organization have a committee that assumes responsibility for oversight of the audit, review, or compilation of its financial statements and selection of an independent accountant?
If the organization changed either its oversight process or selection process during the tax year, explain on Schedule O.
- 3a As a result of a federal award, was the organization required to undergo an audit or audits as set forth in the Uniform Guidance, 2 C.F.R. Part 200, Subpart F?
- b If "Yes," did the organization undergo the required audit or audits? If the organization did not undergo the required audit or audits, explain why on Schedule O and describe any steps taken to undergo such audits.

	Yes	No
2a		X
2b	X	
2c	X	
3a		X
3b		



**SCHEDULE A
(Form 990)**

Public Charity Status and Public Support

OMB No. 1545-0047

2022

Open to Public Inspection

Complete if the organization is a section 501(c)(3) organization or a section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust.
990 or Form 990-EZ.

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

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Name of the organization

TENNESSEE AQUARIUM

Employer identification number

58-1837154

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).)
- 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 on lines 12a through 12d that describes the type of supporting organization and complete lines 12e, 12f, and 12g.
 - a **Type I.** A supporting organization operated, supervised, or controlled by its supported organization(s), typically by giving the supported organization(s) the power to regularly appoint or elect a majority of the directors or trustees of the supporting organization. **You must complete Part IV, Sections A and B.**
 - b **Type II.** A supporting organization supervised or controlled in connection with its supported organization(s), by having control or management of the supporting organization vested in the same persons that control or manage the supported organization(s). **You must complete Part IV, Sections A and C.**
 - c **Type III functionally integrated.** A supporting organization operated in connection with, and functionally integrated with, its supported organization(s) (see instructions). **You must complete Part IV, Sections A, D, and E.**
 - d **Type III non-functionally integrated.** A supporting organization operated in connection with its supported organization(s) that is not functionally integrated. The organization generally must satisfy a distribution requirement and an attentiveness requirement (see instructions). **You must complete Part IV, Sections A and D, and Part V.**
 - e Check this box if the organization received a written determination from the IRS that it is a Type I, Type II, Type III functionally integrated, or Type III non-functionally integrated supporting organization.
 - f Enter the number of supported organizations 0
 - g Provide the following information about the supported organization(s).

(i) Name of supported organization	(ii) EIN	(iii) Type of organization (described on lines 1–10 above (see instructions))	(iv) Is the organization listed in your governing document?		(v) Amount of monetary support (see instructions)	(vi) Amount of other support (see instructions)
			Yes	No		
(A)						
(B)						
(C)						
(D)						
(E)						
Total					0	0

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) 2018	(b) 2019	(c) 2020	(d) 2021	(e) 2022	(f) Total
1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received. (Do not include any "unusual grants.")	6,875,729	4,052,641	4,709,571	3,739,814	4,187,600	23,565,355
2 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf						0
3 The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge						0
4 Total. Add lines 1 through 3	6,875,729	4,052,641	4,709,571	3,739,814	4,187,600	23,565,355
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						23,565,355

Section B. Total Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in)	(a) 2018	(b) 2019	(c) 2020	(d) 2021	(e) 2022	(f) Total
7 Amounts from line 4	6,875,729	4,052,641	4,709,571	3,739,814	4,187,600	23,565,355
8 Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties, and income from similar sources	272,865	371,596	411,779	524,401	550,677	2,131,318
9 Net income from unrelated business activities, whether or not the business is regularly carried on					173,542	173,542
10 Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part VI.)	19,040,951	18,335,962	11,449,969	22,218,886	23,302,025	94,347,793
11 Total support. Add lines 7 through 10						120,218,008

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**

Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage

14 Public support percentage for 2022 (line 6, column (f), divided by line 11, column (f)) **14** 19.60%

15 Public support percentage from 2021 Schedule A, Part II, line 14 **15** 19.81%

16a **33 1/3% support test—2022.** 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

b **33 1/3% support test—2021.** 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

17a **10%-facts-and-circumstances test—2022.** 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

b **10%-facts-and-circumstances test—2021.** 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

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

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

Table with 7 columns: (a) 2018, (b) 2019, (c) 2020, (d) 2021, (e) 2022, (f) Total. Rows include: 1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received; 2 Gross receipts from admissions, merchandise sold or services performed; 3 Gross receipts from activities that are not an unrelated trade or business; 4 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit; 5 The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit; 6 Total. Add lines 1 through 5; 7a Amounts included on lines 1, 2, and 3 received from disqualified persons; 7b Amounts included on lines 2 and 3 received from other than disqualified persons; 7c Add lines 7a and 7b; 8 Public support (Subtract line 7c from line 6).

Section B. Total Support

Table with 7 columns: (a) 2018, (b) 2019, (c) 2020, (d) 2021, (e) 2022, (f) Total. Rows include: 9 Amounts from line 6; 10a Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties, and income from similar sources; 10b Unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 taxes) from businesses acquired after June 30, 1975; 10c Add lines 10a and 10b; 11 Net income from unrelated business activities not included on 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 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.

Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage

Table with 3 columns: Line number, Description, Percentage. Row 15: Public support percentage for 2022 (line 8, column (f), divided by line 13, column (f)) 0.00%. Row 16: Public support percentage from 2021 Schedule A, Part III, line 15 0.00%.

Section D. Computation of Investment Income Percentage

Table with 3 columns: Line number, Description, Percentage. Row 17: Investment income percentage for 2022 (line 10c, column (f), divided by line 13, column (f)) 0.00%. Row 18: Investment income percentage from 2021 Schedule A, Part III, line 17 0.00%.

- 19a 33 1/3% support tests—2022. 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.
b 33 1/3% support tests—2021. 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.
20 Private foundation. If the organization did not check a box on line 14, 19a, or 19b, check this box and see instructions.

Part IV Supporting Organizations

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

Section A. All Supporting Organizations

	Yes	No
1 Are all of the organization's supported organizations listed by name in the organization's governing documents? If "No," describe in Part VI how the supported organizations are designated. If designated by class or purpose, describe the designation. If historic and continuing relationship, explain.		
2 Did the organization have any supported organization that does not have an IRS determination of status under section 509(a)(1) or (2)? If "Yes," explain in Part VI how the organization determined that the supported organization was described in section 509(a)(1) or (2).		
3a Did the organization have a supported organization described in section 501(c)(4), (5), or (6)? If "Yes," answer lines 3b and 3c below.		
b Did the organization confirm that each supported organization qualified under section 501(c)(4), (5), or (6) and satisfied the public support tests under section 509(a)(2)? If "Yes," describe in Part VI when and how the organization made the determination.		
c Did the organization ensure that all support to such organizations was used exclusively for section 170(c)(2)(B) purposes? If "Yes," explain in Part VI what controls the organization put in place to ensure such use.		
4a Was any supported organization not organized in the United States ("foreign supported organization")? If "Yes," and if you checked box 12a or 12b in Part I, answer lines 4b and 4c below.		
b Did the organization have ultimate control and discretion in deciding whether to make grants to the foreign supported organization? If "Yes," describe in Part VI how the organization had such control and discretion despite being controlled or supervised by or in connection with its supported organizations.		
c Did the organization support any foreign supported organization that does not have an IRS determination under sections 501(c)(3) and 509(a)(1) or (2)? If "Yes," explain in Part VI what controls the organization used to ensure that all support to the foreign supported organization was used exclusively for section 170(c)(2)(B) purposes.		
5a Did the organization add, substitute, or remove any supported organizations during the tax year? If "Yes," answer lines 5b and 5c below (if applicable). Also, provide detail in Part VI , including (i) the names and EIN numbers of the supported organizations added, substituted, or removed; (ii) the reasons for each such action; (iii) the authority under the organization's organizing document authorizing such action; and (iv) how the action was accomplished (such as by amendment to the organizing document).		
b Type I or Type II only. Was any added or substituted supported organization part of a class already designated in the organization's organizing document?		
c Substitutions only. Was the substitution the result of an event beyond the organization's control?		
6 Did the organization provide support (whether in the form of grants or the provision of services or facilities) to anyone other than (i) its supported organizations, (ii) individuals that are part of the charitable class benefited by one or more of its supported organizations, or (iii) other supporting organizations that also support or benefit one or more of the filing organization's supported organizations? If "Yes," provide detail in Part VI .		
7 Did the organization provide a grant, loan, compensation, or other similar payment to a substantial contributor (as defined in section 4958(c)(3)(C)), a family member of a substantial contributor, or a 35% controlled entity with regard to a substantial contributor? If "Yes," complete Part I of Schedule L (Form 990).		
8 Did the organization make a loan to a disqualified person (as defined in section 4958) not described on line 7? If "Yes," complete Part I of Schedule L (Form 990).		
9a Was the organization controlled directly or indirectly at any time during the tax year by one or more disqualified persons, as defined in section 4946 (other than foundation managers and organizations described in section 509(a)(1) or (2))? If "Yes," provide detail in Part VI .		
b Did one or more disqualified persons (as defined on line 9a) hold a controlling interest in any entity in which the supporting organization had an interest? If "Yes," provide detail in Part VI .		
c Did a disqualified person (as defined on line 9a) have an ownership interest in, or derive any personal benefit from, assets in which the supporting organization also had an interest? If "Yes," provide detail in Part VI .		
10a Was the organization subject to the excess business holdings rules of section 4943 because of section 4943(f) (regarding certain Type II supporting organizations, and all Type III non-functionally integrated supporting organizations)? If "Yes," answer line 10b below.		
b Did the organization have any excess business holdings in the tax year? (Use Schedule C, Form 4720, to determine whether the organization had excess business holdings.)		

Part IV Supporting Organizations (continued)

	Yes	No
11 Has the organization accepted a gift or contribution from any of the following persons?		
a A person who directly or indirectly controls, either alone or together with persons described on lines 11b and 11c below, the governing body of a supported organization?		
b A family member of a person described on line 11a above?		
c A 35% controlled entity of a person described on line 11a or 11b above? If "Yes" to line 11a, 11b, or 11c, provide detail in Part VI.		

Section B. Type I Supporting Organizations

	Yes	No
1 Did the governing body, members of the governing body, officers acting in their official capacity, or membership of one or more supported organizations have the power to regularly appoint or elect at least a majority of the organization's officers, 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 officers, 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.		

Section C. Type II Supporting Organizations

	Yes	No
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).		

Section D. All Type III Supporting Organizations

	Yes	No
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 on line 2, above, did the organization's supported organizations have a significant voice in the organization's investment policies and in directing the use of the organization's income or assets at all times during the tax year? If "Yes," describe in Part VI the role the organization's supported organizations played in this regard.		

Section E. Type III Functionally Integrated Supporting Organizations

1 Check the box next to the method that the organization used to satisfy the Integral Part Test during the year (see instructions).			
a <input type="checkbox"/> The organization satisfied the Activities Test. Complete line 2 below.			
b <input type="checkbox"/> The organization is the parent of each of its supported organizations. Complete line 3 below.			
c <input type="checkbox"/> The organization supported a governmental entity. Describe in Part VI how you supported a governmental entity (see instructions).			
2 Activities Test. Answer lines 2a and 2b below.		Yes	No
a Did substantially all of the organization's activities during the tax year directly further the exempt purposes of the supported organization(s) to which the organization was responsive? If "Yes," then in Part VI identify those supported organizations and explain how these activities directly furthered their exempt purposes, how the organization was responsive to those supported organizations, and how the organization determined that these activities constituted substantially all of its activities.			
b Did the activities described on line 2a, above, constitute activities that, but for the organization's involvement, one or more of the organization's supported organization(s) would have been engaged in? If "Yes," explain in Part VI the reasons for the organization's position that its supported organization(s) would have engaged in these activities but for the organization's involvement.			
3 Parent of Supported Organizations. Answer lines 3a and 3b below.			
a Did the organization have the power to regularly appoint or elect a majority of the officers, directors, or trustees of each of the supported organizations? If "Yes" or "No," provide details in Part VI.			
b Did the organization exercise a substantial degree of direction over the policies, programs, and activities of each of its supported organizations? If "Yes," describe in Part VI the role played by the organization in this regard.			

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		
2	Recoveries of prior-year distributions		
3	Other gross income (see instructions)		
4	Add lines 1 through 3.	0	0
5	Depreciation and depletion		
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)		
7	Other expenses (see instructions)		
8	Adjusted Net Income (subtract lines 5, 6, and 7 from line 4)	0	0
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		
b	Average monthly cash balances		
c	Fair market value of other non-exempt-use assets		
d	Total (add lines 1a, 1b, and 1c)	0	0
e	Discount claimed for blockage or other factors (explain in detail in Part VI):		
2	Acquisition indebtedness applicable to non-exempt-use assets		
3	Subtract line 2 from line 1d.	0	0
4	Cash deemed held for exempt use. Enter 0.015 of line 3 (for greater amount, see instructions).	0	0
5	Net value of non-exempt-use assets (subtract line 4 from line 3)	0	0
6	Multiply line 5 by 0.035.	0	0
7	Recoveries of prior-year distributions	0	0
8	Minimum Asset Amount (add line 7 to line 6)	0	0
Section C - Distributable Amount			Current Year
1	Adjusted net income for prior year (from Section A, line 8, column A)		0
2	Enter 0.85 of line 1.		0
3	Minimum asset amount for prior year (from Section B, line 8, column A)		0
4	Enter greater of line 2 or line 3.		0
5	Income tax imposed in prior year		
6	Distributable Amount. Subtract line 5 from line 4, unless subject to emergency temporary reduction (see instructions).		0
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	1
2	Amounts paid to perform activity that directly furthers exempt purposes of supported organizations, in excess of income from activity	2
3	Administrative expenses paid to accomplish exempt purposes of supported organizations	3
4	Amounts paid to acquire exempt-use assets	4
5	Qualified set-aside amounts (prior IRS approval required—provide details in Part VI)	5
6	Other distributions (describe in Part VI). See instructions.	6
7	Total annual distributions. Add lines 1 through 6.	7 0
8	Distributions to attentive supported organizations to which the organization is responsive (provide details in Part VI). See instructions.	8
9	Distributable amount for 2022 from Section C, line 6	9 0
10	Line 8 amount divided by line 9 amount	10 0.000

Section E - Distribution Allocations (see instructions)	(i) Excess Distributions	(ii) Underdistributions Pre-2022	(iii) Distributable Amount for 2022
1	Distributable amount for 2022 from Section C, line 6		0
2	Underdistributions, if any, for years prior to 2022 (reasonable cause required—explain in Part VI). See instructions.		
3	Excess distributions carryover, if any, to 2022		
a	From 2017		
b	From 2018		
c	From 2019		
d	From 2020		
e	From 2021		
f	Total of lines 3a through 3e	0	
g	Applied to underdistributions of prior years		0
h	Applied to 2022 distributable amount		0
i	Carryover from 2017 not applied (see instructions)		
j	Remainder. Subtract lines 3g, 3h, and 3i from line 3f.	0	
4	Distributions for 2022 from Section D, line 7: \$ 0		
a	Applied to underdistributions of prior years		0
b	Applied to 2022 distributable amount		0
c	Remainder. Subtract lines 4a and 4b from line 4.	0	
5	Remaining underdistributions for years prior to 2022, if any. Subtract lines 3g and 4a from line 2. For result greater than zero, explain in Part VI. See instructions.		0
6	Remaining underdistributions for 2022. Subtract lines 3h and 4b from line 1. For result greater than zero, explain in Part VI. See instructions.		0
7	Excess distributions carryover to 2023. Add lines 3j and 4c.	0	
8	Breakdown of line 7:		
a	Excess from 2018	0	
b	Excess from 2019	0	
c	Excess from 2020	0	
d	Excess from 2021	0	
e	Excess from 2022	0	

Part VI

Supplemental information. Provide the explanations required by Part II, line 10; Part II, line 17a or 17b; Part III, line 12; Part IV, Section A, lines 1, 2, 3b, 3c, 4b, 4c, 5a, 6, 9a, 9b, 9c, 11a, 11b, and 11c; Part IV, Section B, lines 1 and 2; Part IV, Section C, line 1; Part IV, Section D, lines 2 and 3; Part IV, Section E, lines 1c, 2a, 2b, 3a, and 3b; Part V, line 1; Part V, Section B, line 1e; Part V, Section D, lines 5, 6, and 8; and Part V, Section E, lines 2, 5, and 6. Also complete this part for any additional information. (See instructions.)

Part II Section C Line 17a The organization maintains a Development and Membership
Departments. Both departents solicit funds from the general public, community groups,
members, corporations, foundations, government and other charities. Support comes from
periodic captial campaigns, government grants and other gifts. The governing board is
diverse and represents the public interest. The organization provides facilities that are
open daily to connect the general public with nature and to be empowered

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**SCHEDULE C
(Form 990)**

Political Campaign and Lobbying Activities

OMB No. 1545-0047

2022

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

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.

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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. \$ 0
- 3 Volunteer hours for political campaign activities. See instructions. 0

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. \$ 0
- 2 Enter the amount of any excise tax incurred by organization managers under section 4955. \$ 0
- 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. \$ 0
- 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)				
(6)				

Part II-A Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(3) and filed Form 5768 (election under section 501(h)).

- A** Check if the filing organization belongs to an affiliated group (and list in Part IV each affiliated group member's name, address, EIN, expenses, and share of excess lobbying expenditures).
- B** Check if the filing organization checked box A and "limited control" provisions apply.

Limits on Lobbying Expenditures (The term "expenditures" means amounts paid or incurred.)		(a) Filing organization's totals	(b) Affiliated group totals												
1a	Total lobbying expenditures to influence public opinion (grassroots lobbying)		0												
b	Total lobbying expenditures to influence a legislative body (direct lobbying)		0												
c	Total lobbying expenditures (add lines 1a and 1b)	0	0												
d	Other exempt purpose expenditures		0												
e	Total exempt purpose expenditures (add lines 1c and 1d)	0	0												
f	Lobbying nontaxable amount. Enter the amount from the following table in both columns.	0	0												
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Not over \$500,000	20% of the amount on line 1e.														
Over \$500,000 but not over \$1,000,000	\$100,000 plus 15% of the excess over \$500,000.														
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Over \$1,500,000 but not over \$17,000,000	\$225,000 plus 5% of the excess over \$1,500,000.														
Over \$17,000,000	\$1,000,000.														
g	Grassroots nontaxable amount (enter 25% of line 1f)	0	0												
h	Subtract line 1g from line 1a. If zero or less, enter -0-	0	0												
i	Subtract line 1f from line 1c. If zero or less, enter -0-	0	0												
j	If there is an amount other than zero on either line 1h or line 1i, did the organization file Form 4720 reporting section 4911 tax for this year?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No													

4-Year Averaging Period Under Section 501(h)
(Some organizations that made a section 501(h) election do not have to complete all of the five columns below. See the separate instructions for lines 2a through 2f.)

Lobbying Expenditures During 4-Year Averaging Period					
Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in)	(a) 2019	(b) 2020	(c) 2021	(d) 2022	(e) Total
2a Lobbying nontaxable amount				0	0
b Lobbying ceiling amount (150% of line 2a, column(e))					0
c Total lobbying expenditures				0	0
d Grassroots nontaxable amount				0	0
e Grassroots ceiling amount (150% of line 2d, column (e))					0
f Grassroots lobbying expenditures				0	0

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?		X	
b Paid staff or management (include compensation in expenses reported on lines 1c through 1i)?		X	
c Media advertisements?		X	
d Mailings to members, legislators, or the public?		X	
e Publications, or published or broadcast statements?		X	
f Grants to other organizations for lobbying purposes?		X	
g Direct contact with legislators, their staffs, government officials, or a legislative body?		X	
h Rallies, demonstrations, seminars, conventions, speeches, lectures, or any similar means?		X	
i Other activities?		X	
j Total. Add lines 1c through 1i.			0
2a Did the activities in line 1 cause the organization to be not described in section 501(c)(3)?		X	
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?		
2 Did the organization make only in-house lobbying expenditures of \$2,000 or less?		
3 Did the organization agree to carry over lobbying and political campaign activity expenditures from the prior year?		

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	
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	
b Carryover from last year	2b	
c Total	2c	0
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 expenditures next year?	4	
5 Taxable amount of lobbying and political expenditures. See instructions.	5	0

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.

Part IV Supplemental Information *(continued)*

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SCHEDULE D (Form 990)

Supplemental Financial Statements

OMB No. 1545-0047

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Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11a, 11b, 11c, 11d, 11e, 11f, 12a, or 12b. Attach to Form 990.

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

Name of the organization

Employer identification number

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Part I Organizations Maintaining Donor Advised Funds or Other Similar Funds or Accounts.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 6.

Table with 2 columns: (a) Donor advised funds, (b) Funds and other accounts. Rows include total number at end of year, aggregate value of contributions, grants, and end of year, and two questions about donor advisement.

Part II Conservation Easements.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 7.

Table with 2 columns: Held at the End of the Tax Year. Rows include purpose(s) of conservation easements, total number, acreage, and other details.

Part III Organizations Maintaining Collections of Art, Historical Treasures, or Other Similar Assets.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 8.

Table with 2 columns: Revenue included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 1; Assets included in Form 990, Part X. Rows include questions about reporting works of art and historical treasures.

Part III Organizations Maintaining Collections of Art, Historical Treasures, or Other Similar Assets (continued)

- 3** Using the organization's acquisition, accession, and other records, check any of the following that make significant use of its collection items (check all that apply):
- a** Public exhibition
 - b** Scholarly research
 - c** Preservation for future generations
 - d** Loan or exchange program
 - e** Other _____
- 4** Provide a description of the organization's collections and explain how they further the organization's exempt purpose in Part XIII.
- 5** During the year, did the organization solicit or receive donations of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets to be sold to raise funds rather than to be maintained as part of the organization's collection? Yes No

Part IV Escrow and Custodial Arrangements.

- Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 9, or reported an amount on Form 990, Part X, line 21.
- 1a** Is the organization an agent, trustee, custodian or other intermediary for contributions or other assets not included on Form 990, Part X? Yes No
- b** If "Yes," explain the arrangement in Part XIII and complete the following table:
- | | Amount |
|--|--------|
| c Beginning balance | |
| d Additions during the year | |
| e Distributions during the year | |
| f Ending balance | 0 |
- 2a** Did the organization include an amount on Form 990, Part X, line 21, for escrow or custodial account liability? Yes No
- b** If "Yes," explain the arrangement in Part XIII. Check here if the explanation has been provided on Part XIII

Part V Endowment Funds.

- Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 10.
- | | (a) Current year | (b) Prior year | (c) Two years back | (d) Three years back | (e) Four years back |
|---|------------------|----------------|--------------------|----------------------|---------------------|
| 1a Beginning of year balance | 8,182,744 | 7,177,157 | 6,763,501 | 5,737,828 | 2,836,362 |
| b Contributions | 5,000 | | | | 3,396,576 |
| c Net investment earnings, gains, and losses | -1,323,329 | 1,267,967 | 614,656 | 1,025,673 | -495,110 |
| d Grants or scholarships | | | | | |
| e Other expenditures for facilities and programs | 293,000 | 262,380 | 201,000 | | |
| f Administrative expenses | | | | | |
| g End of year balance | 6,571,415 | 8,182,744 | 7,177,157 | 6,763,501 | 5,737,828 |
- 2** Provide the estimated percentage of the current year end balance (line 1g, column (a)) held as:
- a** Board designated or quasi-endowment 100%
 - b** Permanent endowment _____%
 - c** Term endowment _____%
- The percentages on lines 2a, 2b, and 2c should equal 100%.
- 3a** Are there endowment funds not in the possession of the organization that are held and administered for the organization by:
- | | Yes | No |
|------------------------------------|-----|----|
| (i) Unrelated organizations | | X |
| (ii) Related organizations | | X |
- b** If "Yes" on line 3a(ii), are the related organizations listed as required on Schedule R?
- 4** Describe in Part XIII the intended uses of the organization's endowment funds.

Part VI Land, Buildings, and Equipment.

- Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 11a. See Form 990, Part X, line 10.
- | Description of property | (a) Cost or other basis (investment) | (b) Cost or other basis (other) | (c) Accumulated depreciation | (d) Book value |
|--|--------------------------------------|---------------------------------|------------------------------|----------------|
| 1a Land | 0 | 4,484,445 | | 4,484,445 |
| b Buildings | 0 | 92,791,205 | 56,273,524 | 36,517,681 |
| c Leasehold improvements | 0 | 133,312 | 133,312 | 0 |
| d Equipment | 0 | 33,694,780 | 29,034,540 | 4,660,241 |
| e Other | 0 | 1,521,914 | 1,298,120 | 223,794 |
| Total. Add lines 1a through 1e. (Column (d) must equal Form 990, Part X, column (B), line 10c.) | | | | 45,886,161 |

Part VII Investments—Other Securities.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 11b. See Form 990, Part X, line 12.

(a) Description of security or category (including name of security)	(b) Book value	(c) Method of valuation: Cost or end-of-year market value
(1) Financial derivatives	0	
(2) Closely held equity interests	0	
(3) Other		
(A)		
(B)		
(C)		
(D)		
(E)		
(F)		
(G)		
(H)		
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col. (B) line 12.)	0	

Part VIII Investments—Program Related.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 11c. See Form 990, Part X, line 13.

(a) Description of investment	(b) Book value	(c) Method of valuation: Cost or end-of-year market value
(1)		
(2)		
(3)		
(4)		
(5)		
(6)		
(7)		
(8)		
(9)		
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col. (B) line 13.)	0	

Part IX Other Assets.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 11d. See Form 990, Part X, line 15.

(a) Description	(b) Book value
(1)	
(2)	
(3)	
(4)	
(5)	
(6)	
(7)	
(8)	
(9)	
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col. (B) line 15.)	0

Part X Other Liabilities.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 11e or 11f. See Form 990, Part X, line 25.

1.	(a) Description of liability	(b) Book value
(1)	Federal income taxes	0
(2)		
(3)		
(4)		
(5)		
(6)		
(7)		
(8)		
(9)		
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col. (B) line 25.)		0

2. Liability for uncertain tax positions. In Part XIII, provide the text of the footnote to the organization's financial statements that reports the organization's liability for uncertain tax positions under FASB ASC 740. Check here if the text of the footnote has been provided in Part XIII . . .

Part XI Reconciliation of Revenue per Audited Financial Statements With Revenue per Return.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 12a.

1	Total revenue, gains, and other support per audited financial statements		1	26,628,951
2	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12:			
a	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	2a	-2,255,701	
b	Donated services and use of facilities	2b	188,000	
c	Recoveries of prior year grants	2c		
d	Other (Describe in Part XIII.)	2d		
e	Add lines 2a through 2d	2e	-2,067,701	
3	Subtract line 2e from line 1	3	28,696,652	
4	Amounts included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, but not on line 1:			
a	Investment expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b	4a	84,354	
b	Other (Describe in Part XIII.)	4b	-403,471	
c	Add lines 4a and 4b	4c	-319,117	
5	Total revenue. Add lines 3 and 4c . (This must equal Form 990, Part I, line 12.)	5	28,377,535	

Part XII Reconciliation of Expenses per Audited Financial Statements With Expenses per Return.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 12a.

1	Total expenses and losses per audited financial statements		1	26,147,653
2	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part IX, line 25:			
a	Donated services and use of facilities	2a	188,000	
b	Prior year adjustments	2b		
c	Other losses	2c		
d	Other (Describe in Part XIII.)	2d		
e	Add lines 2a through 2d	2e	188,000	
3	Subtract line 2e from line 1	3	25,959,653	
4	Amounts included on Form 990, Part IX, line 25, but not on line 1:			
a	Investment expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b	4a	84,355	
b	Other (Describe in Part XIII.)	4b	-403,471	
c	Add lines 4a and 4b	4c	-319,116	
5	Total expenses. Add lines 3 and 4c . (This must equal Form 990, Part I, line 18.)	5	25,640,537	

Part XIII Supplemental Information.

Provide the descriptions required for Part II, lines 3, 5, and 9; Part III, lines 1a and 4; Part IV, lines 1b and 2b; Part V, line 4; Part X, line 2; Part XI, lines 2d and 4b; and Part XII, lines 2d and 4b. Also complete this part to provide any additional information.

Part XI Line 4B EXPENSES DEDUCTED FROM REVENUE IN 990, PART VIII. 10B-COST OF GOODS

SOLD-\$104,308: 6B-FACILITY RENTAL EXPENSES-\$211,422: 8B-FUNDRAISING EVENT

EXPENSES-\$87,741.

Part XII Line 4B EXPENSES DEDUCTED FROM REVENUE IN 990, PART VIII. 10B-COST OF GOODS

SOLD-\$104,308: 6B-FACILITY RENTAL EXPENSES-\$211,422: 8B-FUNDRAISING EXPENSES-\$87,741

Part V Line 4 THE ORGANIZATION ENDOWMENT IS TO BE USED TO SUPPORT FUTURE SPECIAL PROJECTS

IN SUPPORT OF ITS EDUCATION AND CONSERVATION PROGRAMMING

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	
		<u>ERVE AND PROTEC</u> (event type)	<u>INIVERSARY CELEE</u> (event type)	<u>NONE</u> (total number)	(add col. (a) through col. (c))	
Revenue	1	Gross receipts	127,196	125,365	0	252,561
	2	Less: Contributions	2,125	5,365	0	7,490
	3	Gross income (line 1 minus line 2)	125,071	120,000	0	245,071
Direct Expenses	4	Cash prizes	0	0	0	0
	5	Noncash prizes	0	0	0	0
	6	Rent/facility costs	0	0	0	0
	7	Food and beverages	0	0	0	0
	8	Entertainment	0	0	0	0
	9	Other direct expenses	34,464	53,277	0	87,741
	10	Direct expense summary. Add lines 4 through 9 in column (d)				
11	Net income summary. Subtract line 10 from line 3, column (d)					157,330

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))	
		1	Gross revenue			
Direct Expenses	2	Cash prizes				0
	3	Noncash prizes				0
	4	Rent/facility costs				0
	5	Other direct expenses				0
	6	Volunteer labor	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes _____ % <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes _____ % <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes _____ % <input type="checkbox"/> No	
7	Direct expense summary. Add lines 2 through 5 in column (d)					(0)
8	Net gaming income summary. Subtract line 7 from line 1, column (d)					0

- 9 Enter the state(s) in which the organization conducts gaming activities: _____
- 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: _____

**SCHEDULE J
(Form 990)**

Compensation Information

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For certain Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest
Compensated Employees
Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 23.
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Part I Questions Regarding Compensation

	Yes	No
1a Check the appropriate box(es) if the organization provided any of the following to or for a person listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a. Complete Part III to provide any relevant information regarding these items.		
<input type="checkbox"/> First-class or charter travel		
<input type="checkbox"/> Travel for companions		
<input type="checkbox"/> Tax indemnification and gross-up payments		
<input type="checkbox"/> Discretionary spending account		
<input type="checkbox"/> Housing allowance or residence for personal use		
<input type="checkbox"/> Payments for business use of personal residence		
<input type="checkbox"/> Health or social club dues or initiation fees		
<input type="checkbox"/> Personal services (such as maid, chauffeur, chef)		
b If any of the boxes on line 1a are checked, did the organization follow a written policy regarding payment or reimbursement or provision of all of the expenses described above? If "No," complete Part III to explain.		
2 Did the organization require substantiation prior to reimbursing or allowing expenses incurred by all directors, trustees, and officers, including the CEO/Executive Director, regarding the items checked on line 1a?		
3 Indicate which, if any, of the following the organization used to establish the compensation of the organization's CEO/Executive Director. Check all that apply. Do not check any boxes for methods used by a related organization to establish compensation of the CEO/Executive Director, but explain in Part III.		
<input type="checkbox"/> Compensation committee		
<input type="checkbox"/> Independent compensation consultant		
<input type="checkbox"/> Form 990 of other organizations		
<input type="checkbox"/> Written employment contract		
<input type="checkbox"/> Compensation survey or study		
<input type="checkbox"/> Approval by the board or compensation committee		
4 During the year, did any person listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, with respect to the filing organization or a related organization:		
a Receive a severance payment or change-of-control payment?		X
b Participate in or receive payment from a supplemental nonqualified retirement plan?		X
c Participate in or receive payment from an equity-based compensation arrangement?		X
If "Yes" to any of lines 4a–c, list the persons and provide the applicable amounts for each item in Part III.		
5 For persons listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization pay or accrue any compensation contingent on the revenues of:		
a The organization?		X
b Any related organization?		X
If "Yes" on line 5a or 5b, describe in Part III.		
6 For persons listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization pay or accrue any compensation contingent on the net earnings of:		
a The organization?		X
b Any related organization?		X
If "Yes" on line 6a or 6b, describe in Part III.		
7 For persons listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization provide any nonfixed payments not described on lines 5 and 6? If "Yes," describe in Part III.		X
8 Were any amounts reported on Form 990, Part VII, paid or accrued pursuant to a contract that was subject to the initial contract exception described in Regulations section 53.4958-4(a)(3)? If "Yes," describe in Part III.		X
9 If "Yes" on line 8, did the organization also follow the rebuttable presumption procedure described in Regulations section 53.4958-6(c)?		

Part II Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees. Use duplicate copies if additional space is needed.

For each individual whose compensation must be reported on Schedule J, report compensation from the organization on row (i) and from related organizations, described in the instructions, on row (ii). Do not list any individuals that aren't listed on Form 990, Part VII.

Note: The sum of columns (B)(i)-(iii) for each listed individual must equal the total amount of Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, applicable column (D) and (E) amounts for that individual.

(A) Name and Title	(B) Breakdown of W-2 and/or 1099-MISC and/or 1099-NEC compensation			(C) Retirement and other deferred compensation	(D) Nontaxable benefits	(E) Total of columns (B)(i)-(D)	(F) Compensation in column (B) reported as deferred on prior Form 990
	(i) Base compensation	(ii) Bonus & incentive compensation	(iii) Other reportable compensation				
1 WALTER K SANFORD PRESIDENT	(i) 265,000 (ii)	63,600	1,584	23,052	9,253	362,489	0
2 JACKSON C ANDREWS FORMER COO	(i) 196,635 (ii)	23,666	1,224	15,460	8,754	245,739	0
3 GORDON A STALANS COO, CFO, CIO	(i) 180,482 (ii)	33,121	2,792	15,026	9,129	240,550	0
4 ANNA GEORGE CHIEF CONSERVATION/EDUCATIO	(i) 145,432 (ii)	17,499	240	11,405	10,774	185,350	0
5 JULIE M PIPER CHIEF HR OFFICER	(i) 129,968 (ii)	21,242	1,032	10,584	2,260	165,081	0
6 THOM BENSON CHIEF MARKETING & COMM OFFIC	(i) 124,457 (ii)	14,983	1,028	9,794	8,979	159,241	0
7	(i) (ii)						
8	(i) (ii)						
9	(i) (ii)						
10	(i) (ii)						
11	(i) (ii)						
12	(i) (ii)						
13	(i) (ii)						
14	(i) (ii)						
15	(i) (ii)						
16	(i) (ii)						

Part III Supplemental Information

Provide the information, explanation, or descriptions required for Part I, lines 1a, 1b, 3, 4a, 4b, 4c, 5a, 5b, 6a, 6b, 7, and 8, and for Part II. Also complete this part for any additional information.

Area with horizontal dashed lines for supplemental information.

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**SCHEDULE K
(Form 990)**

Supplemental Information on Tax-Exempt Bonds
Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 24a. Provide descriptions, explanations, and any additional information in Part VI.
Attach to Form 990.

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Part I Bond Issues

	(a) Issuer name	(b) Issuer EIN	(c) CUSIP #	(d) Date issued	(e) Issue price	(f) Description of purpose	(g) Defeased		(h) On behalf of issuer		(i) Pooled financing	
							Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
A	INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT BOARD OF HA	52-1303489		5/26/2020	15,841,139	REFINANCING BONDS		X				X
B												
C												
D												

Part II Proceeds

	A		B		C		D	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
1 Amount of bonds retired								
2 Amount of bonds legally defeased								
3 Total proceeds of issue		15,841,139						
4 Gross proceeds in reserve funds								
5 Capitalized interest from proceeds								
6 Proceeds in refunding escrows								
7 Issuance costs from proceeds								
8 Credit enhancement from proceeds		56,406						
9 Working capital expenditures from proceeds								
10 Capital expenditures from proceeds								
11 Other spent proceeds		15,784,733						
12 Other unspent proceeds								
13 Year of substantial completion								
14 Were the bonds issued as part of a refunding issue of tax-exempt bonds (or, if issued prior to 2018, a current refunding issue)?	X							
15 Were the bonds issued as part of a refunding issue of taxable bonds (or, if issued prior to 2018, an advance refunding issue)?		X						
16 Has the final allocation of proceeds been made?	X							
17 Does the organization maintain adequate books and records to support the final allocation of proceeds?	X							

Part III Private Business Use

	A		B		C		D	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
1 Was the organization a partner in a partnership, or a member of an LLC, which owned property financed by tax-exempt bonds?		X						
2 Are there any lease arrangements that may result in private business use of bond-financed property?		X						
3a Are there any management or service contracts that may result in private business use of bond-financed property?		X						
b If "Yes" to line 3a, does the organization routinely engage bond counsel or other outside counsel to review any management or service contracts relating to the financed property?								
c Are there any research agreements that may result in private business use of bond-financed property?		X						
d If "Yes" to line 3c, does the organization routinely engage bond counsel or other outside counsel to review any research agreements relating to the financed property?								
4 Enter the percentage of financed property used in a private business use by entities other than a section 501(c)(3) organization or a state or local government.								
5 Enter the percentage of financed property used in a private business use as a result of unrelated trade or business activity carried on by your organization, another section 501(c)(3) organization, or a state or local government.								
6 Total of lines 4 and 5.		0.00%		0.00%		0.00%		0.00%
7 Does the bond issue meet the private security or payment test?								
8a Has there been a sale or disposition of any of the bond-financed property to a nongovernmental person other than a 501(c)(3) organization since the bonds were issued?		X						
b If "Yes" to line 8a, enter the percentage of bond-financed property sold or disposed of.								
c If "Yes" to line 8a, was any remedial action taken pursuant to Regulations sections 1.141-12 and 1.145-2?								
9 Has the organization established written procedures to ensure that all nonqualified bonds of the issue are remediated in accordance with the requirements under Regulations sections 1.141-12 and 1.145-2?	X							

Part IV Arbitrage

	A		B		C		D	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
1 Has the issuer filed Form 8038-T, Arbitrage Rebate, Yield Reduction and Penalty in Lieu of Arbitrage Rebate?		X						
2 If "No" to line 1, did the following apply?								
a Rebate not due yet?								
b Exception to rebate?	X							
c No rebate due?								
3 If "Yes" to line 2c, provide in Part VI the date the rebate computation was performed.								
Is the bond issue a variable rate issue?		X						

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Part VI Supplemental Information. Provide additional information for responses to questions on Schedule K. See instructions. (continued)

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Transactions With Interested Persons

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

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Part I Excess Benefit Transactions (section 501(c)(3), section 501(c)(4), and section 501(c)(29) organizations only).
Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 25a or 25b, or Form 990-EZ, Part V, line 40b.

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

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

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

Part II Loans to and/or From Interested Persons.
Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990-EZ, Part V, line 38a or Form 990, Part IV, line 26; or if the organization reported an amount on Form 990, Part X, line 5, 6, or 22.

(a) Name of interested person	(b) Relationship with organization	(c) Purpose of loan	(d) Loan to or from the organization?		(e) Original principal amount	(f) Balance due	(g) In default?		(h) Approved by board or committee?		(i) Written agreement?	
			To	From			Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
(1)												
(2)												
(3)												
(4)												
(5)												
(6)												
(7)												
(8)												
(9)												
(10)												
Total						\$	0					

Part III Grants or Assistance Benefiting Interested Persons.
Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 27.

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

**SCHEDULE O
(Form 990)**

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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Form 990, Part VI, Section B, Line 11: THE ORGANIZATION PROVIDES A COPY OF THE FORM 990 TO THE

BOARD OF TRUSTEES FOR REVIEW

Form 990, Part VI, Section B, Line 12: THE ORGANIZATION REQUIRES MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF

TRUSTEES TO READ AND SIGN A COPY OF THE CONFLICT OF INTEREST POLICY ON AN ANNUAL BASIS, WHILE

DISCLOSING ANY EXISTING CONFLICT OF INTEREST TO THE REST OF THE BOARD

Form 990, Part VI, Section B, Line 15: SALARY ADJUSTMENTS FOR THE PRESIDENT OF THE

ORGANIZATION ARE APPROVED BY THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE BOARD AFTER A PERFORMANCE

ASSESSMENT. MARKET DATA AND COMPETITIVE SALARIES ARE ALSO REVIEWED WHEN DETERMINING THE

APPROPRIATE SALARY LEVEL

Form 990, Part VI, Section C, Line 19: GOVERNING DOCUMENTS, CONFLICT OF INTEREST POLICY AND

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS ARE MADE AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC UPON REQUEST. IN ADDITION, FINANCIAL

STATEMENTS ARE MADE AVAILABLE ON THE ORGANIZATION'S WEBSITE AND ON THIRD-PARTY SITES

Form 990, Part XII, Line 2C: THE PROCESS DID NOT CHANGE IN 2022

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Tax Exempt Entity Declaration and Signature for Electronic Filing

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For calendar year 2022, or tax year beginning _____, 2022, and ending _____, 20____
For use with Forms 990, 990-EZ, 990-PF, 990-T, 1120-POL, 4720, 8868, 5227, 5330, and 8038-CP
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Name of filer TENNESSEE AQUARIUM	EIN or SSN 58-1837154
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Part I Type of Return and Return Information

Check the box for the type of return being filed with Form 8453-TE and enter the applicable amount, if any, from the return. Form 8038-CP and Form 5330 filers may enter dollars and cents. For all other forms, enter whole dollars only. If you check the box on line 1a, 2a, 3a, 4a, 5a, 6a, 7a, 8a, 9a, or 10a below, and the amount on that line of the return being filed with this form was blank, then leave line 1b, 2b, 3b, 4b, 5b, 6b, 7b, 8b, 9b, or 10b, whichever is applicable, blank (do not enter -0-). If you entered -0- on the return, then enter -0- on the applicable line below. Do not complete more than one line in Part I.

1a Form 990 check here <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	b Total revenue, if any (Form 990, Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	1b	28,377,535
2a Form 990-EZ check here <input type="checkbox"/>	b Total revenue, if any (Form 990-EZ, line 9)	2b	0
3a Form 1120-POL check here <input type="checkbox"/>	b Total tax (Form 1120-POL, line 22)	3b	0
4a Form 990-PF check here <input type="checkbox"/>	b Tax based on investment income (Form 990-PF, Part V, line 5)	4b	0
5a Form 8868 check here <input type="checkbox"/>	b Balance due (Form 8868, line 3c)	5b	0
6a Form 990-T check here <input type="checkbox"/>	b Total tax (Form 990-T, Part III, line 4)	6b	0
7a Form 4720 check here <input type="checkbox"/>	b Total tax (Form 4720, Part III, line 1)	7b	0
8a Form 5227 check here <input type="checkbox"/>	b FMV of assets at end of tax year (Form 5227, Item D)	8b	0
9a Form 5330 check here <input type="checkbox"/>	b Tax due (Form 5330, Part II, line 19)	9b	0
10a Form 8038-CP check here <input type="checkbox"/>	b Amount of credit payment requested (Form 8038-CP, Part III, line 22)	10b	0

Part II Declaration of Officer or Person Subject to Tax

11a I authorize the U.S. Treasury and its designated Financial Agent to initiate an Automated Clearing House (ACH) electronic funds withdrawal (direct debit) entry to the financial institution account indicated in the tax preparation software for payment of the federal taxes owed on this return, and the financial institution to debit the entry to this account. To revoke a payment, I must contact the U.S. Treasury Financial Agent at 1-888-353-4537 no later than 2 business days prior to the payment (settlement) date. I also authorize the financial institutions involved in the processing of the electronic payment of taxes to receive confidential information necessary to answer inquiries and resolve issues related to the payment.

b If a copy of this return is being filed with a state agency(ies) regulating charities as part of the IRS Fed/State program, I certify that I executed the electronic disclosure consent contained within this return allowing disclosure by the IRS of this Form 990/990-EZ/990-PF (as specifically identified in Part I above) to the selected state agency(ies).

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I am an officer of the above named entity or I am the person subject to tax with respect to (name of entity) TENNESSEE AQUARIUM, (EIN) 58-1837154, and that I have examined a copy of the 2022 electronic return and accompanying schedules and statements, and, to the best of my knowledge and belief, they are true, correct, and complete. I further declare that the amount in Part I above is the amount shown on the copy of the electronic return. I consent to allow my intermediate service provider, transmitter, or electronic return originator (ERO) to send the return to the IRS and to receive from the IRS (a) an acknowledgement of receipt or reason for rejection of the transmission, (b) the reason for any delay in processing the return or refund, and (c) the date of any refund.

Sign Here	11/12/2023	VICE PRESIDENT-COO, CFO, CIO
Signature of officer or person subject to tax	Date	Title, if applicable

Part III Declaration of Electronic Return Originator (ERO) and Paid Preparer (see instructions)

I declare that I have reviewed the above return and that the entries on Form 8453-TE are complete and correct to the best of my knowledge. If I am only a collector, I am not responsible for reviewing the return and only declare that this form accurately reflects the data on the return. The entity officer or person subject to tax will have signed this form before I submit the return. I will give a copy of all forms and information to be filed with the IRS to the officer or person subject to tax, and have followed all other requirements in Pub. 4163, Modernized e-File (MeF) Information for Authorized IRS e-file Providers for Business Returns. If I am also the Paid Preparer, under penalties of perjury I declare that I have examined the above return and accompanying schedules and statements, and, to the best of my knowledge and belief, they are true, correct, and complete. This Paid Preparer declaration is based on all information of which I have any knowledge.

ERO's Use Only	ERO's signature GORDON A STALANS	Date 11/27/2023	Check if also paid preparer <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Check if self-employed <input type="checkbox"/>	ERO's SSN or PTIN 414-88-8788
	Firm's name (or yours if self-employed), address, and ZIP code				EIN Phone no.

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined the above return and accompanying schedules and statements, and, to the best of my knowledge and belief, they are true, correct, and complete. Declaration of preparer is based on all information of which the preparer has any knowledge.

Paid Preparer Use Only	Print/Type preparer's name GORDON A STALANS	Preparer's signature	Date	Check if self-employed <input type="checkbox"/>	PTIN 414-88-8788
	Firm's name				Firm's EIN
	Firm's address				Phone no.