

Short Form Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

2008

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Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Under section 501(c), 527, or 4947(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code
(except black lung benefit trust or private foundation)

▶ Sponsoring organizations of donor advised funds and controlling organizations as defined in section 512(b)(13) must file Form 990. All other organizations with gross receipts less than \$1,000,000 and total assets less than \$2,500,000 at the end of the year may use this form.

▶ The organization may have to use a copy of this return to satisfy state reporting requirements.

A For the 2008 calendar year, or tax year beginning _____, and ending _____	
B Check if applicable:	C Name of organization TIP OF THE MITT WATERSHED COUNCIL
<input type="checkbox"/> Address change	Number and street (or P.O. box, if mail is not delivered to street address) Room/suite 426 BAY STREET
<input type="checkbox"/> Name change	
<input type="checkbox"/> Initial return	City, town, or country State ZIP + 4 PETOSKEY MI 49770
<input type="checkbox"/> Termination	D Employer identification number 38-2361745
<input type="checkbox"/> Amended return	E Telephone number (231) 347-1181
<input type="checkbox"/> Application pending	F Group Exemption Number . . . ▶
<p>• Section 501(c)(3) organizations and 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts must attach a completed Schedule A (Form 990 or 990-EZ).</p> <p>G Accounting method: <input type="checkbox"/> Cash <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Accrual Other (specify) ▶</p> <p>H Check <input type="checkbox"/> if the organization is not required to attach Schedule B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF).</p> <p>I Website: ▶ N/A</p> <p>J Organization type (check only one)— <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 501(c) (3) ◀ (insert no.) <input type="checkbox"/> 4947(a)(1) or <input type="checkbox"/> 527</p> <p>K Check <input type="checkbox"/> if the organization is not a section 509(a)(3) supporting organization and its gross receipts are normally not more than \$25,000. A return is not required, but if the organization chooses to file a return, be sure to file a complete return.</p> <p>L Add lines 5b, 6b, and 7b, to line 9 to determine gross receipts; if \$1,000,000 or more, file Form 990 instead of Form 990-EZ ▶ \$ 890,422</p>	

Part I Revenue, Expenses, and Changes in Net Assets or Fund Balances (See the instructions for Part I.)			
Revenue	1 Contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts received	1	503,586
	2 Program service revenue including government fees and contracts	2	39,131
	3 Membership dues and assessments	3	
	4 Investment income	4	46,851
	5a Gross amount from sale of assets other than inventory	5a	277,247
	b Less: cost or other basis and sales expenses	5b	327,943
	c Gain or (loss) from sale of assets other than inventory (Subtract line 5b from line 5a) (attach schedule)	5c	-50,696
	6 Special events and activities (complete applicable parts of Schedule G). If any amount is from gaming, check here <input type="checkbox"/>		
	a Gross revenue (not including \$ 0 of contributions reported on line 1)	6a	0
	b Less: direct expenses other than fundraising expenses	6b	0
c Net income or (loss) from special events and activities (Subtract line 6b from line 6a)	6c	0	
7a Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances	7a	23,469	
b Less: cost of goods sold	7b	21,216	
c Gross profit or (loss) from sales of inventory (Subtract line 7b from line 7a)	7c	2,253	
8 Other revenue (describe ▶ Other)	8	138	
9 Total revenue. Add lines 1, 2, 3, 4, 5c, 6c, 7c, and 8	9	541,263	
Expenses	10 Grants and similar amounts paid (attach schedule)	10	0
	11 Benefits paid to or for members	11	
	12 Salaries, other compensation, and employee benefits	12	453,469
	13 Professional fees and other payments to independent contractors	13	16,038
	14 Occupancy, rent, utilities, and maintenance	14	13,497
	15 Printing, publications, postage, and shipping	15	41,157
	16 Other expenses (describe ▶ See attached statement)	16	102,174
17 Total expenses. Add lines 10 through 16	17	626,335	
Net Assets	18 Excess or (deficit) for the year (Subtract line 17 from line 9)	18	-85,072
	19 Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (from line 27, column (A)) (must agree with end-of-year figure reported on prior year's return)	19	2,119,313
	20 Other changes in net assets or fund balances (attach explanation)	20	-225,927
	21 Net assets or fund balances at end of year. Combine lines 18 through 20	21	1,808,314

Part II Balance Sheets. If Total assets on line 25, column (B) are \$2,500,000 or more, file Form 990 instead of Form 990-EZ. (See the instructions for Part II.)			
		(A) Beginning of year	(B) End of year
22 Cash, savings, and investments		1,157,354	22 style="text-align: right;">857,816
23 Land and buildings		971,171	23 style="text-align: right;">948,092
24 Other assets (describe ▶ See attached statement)		381,392	24 style="text-align: right;">267,472
25 Total assets		2,509,917	25 style="text-align: right;">2,073,380
26 Total liabilities (describe ▶ See attached statement)		390,604	26 style="text-align: right;">265,066
27 Net assets or fund balances (line 27 of column (B) must agree with line 21)		2,119,313	27 style="text-align: right;">1,808,314

Part V Other Information (Note the statement requirements in the instructions for Part VI.)

		Yes	No
33	Did the organization engage in any activity not previously reported to the IRS? If "Yes," attach a detailed description of each activity.		X
34	Were any changes made to the organizing or governing documents but not reported to the IRS? If "Yes," attach a conformed copy of the changes		X
35	If the organization had income from business activities, such as those reported on lines 2, 6a, and 7a (among others), but not reported on Form 990-T, attach a statement explaining your reason for not reporting the income on Form 990-T.		
a	Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more or section 6033(e) notice, reporting, and proxy tax requirements?		X
b	If "Yes," has it filed a tax return on Form 990-T for this year?		
36	Was there a liquidation, dissolution, termination, or substantial contraction during the year? If "Yes," complete applicable parts of Schedule N		X
37 a	Enter amount of political expenditures, direct or indirect, as described in the instructions. ▶ 37a | 0		
b	Did the organization file Form 1120-POL for this year?		X
38 a	Did the organization borrow from, or make any loans to, any officer, director, trustee, or key employee or were any such loans made in a prior year and still unpaid at the start of the period covered by this return?		X
b	If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part II and enter the total amount involved 38b | 0		
39	Section 501(c)(7) organizations. Enter:		
a	Initiation fees and capital contributions included on line 9 39a		
b	Gross receipts, included on line 9, for public use of club facilities 39b		
40 a	Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Enter amount of tax imposed on the organization during the year under: section 4911 ▶ 0 ; section 4912 ▶ 0 ; section 4955 ▶ 0		
b	Section 501(c)(3) and (4) organizations. Did the organization engage in any section 4958 excess benefit transaction during the year or did it become aware of an excess benefit transaction from a prior year? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I		X
c	Enter amount of tax imposed on organization managers or disqualified persons during the year under sections 4912, 4955, and 4958 ▶ 0		
d	Enter amount of tax on line 40c reimbursed by the organization ▶ 0		
e	All organizations. At any time during the tax year, was the organization a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction? If "Yes," complete Form 8886-T.		X
41	List the states with which a copy of this return is filed. ▶ MI		
42 a	The books are in care of ▶ Name LYNN D BUFFINGTON Telephone no. ▶ (231) 347-1181 Located at ▶ 426 BAY STREET City PETOSKEY ST MI ZIP + 4 ▶ 49770		
b	At any time during the calendar year, did the organization have an interest in or a signature or other authority over a financial account in a foreign country (such as a bank account, securities account, or other financial account)?	Yes	No
	If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country: ▶		X
	See the instructions for exceptions and filing requirements for Form TD F 90-22.1, Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts .		
c	At any time during the calendar year, did the organization maintain an office outside of the U.S.?		X
	If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country: ▶		
43	Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts filing Form 990-EZ in lieu of Form 1041 —Check here ▶ <input type="checkbox"/> and enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the tax year ▶ 43 | N/A		
44	Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds? If "Yes," Form 990 must be completed instead of Form 990-EZ		X
45	Is any related organization a controlled entity of the organization within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? If "Yes," Form 990 must be completed instead of Form 990-EZ		X

Part VI Section 501(c)(3) organizations only. All section 501(c)(3) organizations must answer questions 46–49 and complete the tables for lines 50 and 51.

- | | | Yes | No |
|---|------------|-----|----|
| 46 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. | 46 | | X |
| 47 Did the organization engage in lobbying activities? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part II. | 47 | X | |
| 48 Is the organization operating a school as described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? If "Yes," complete Schedule E | 48 | | X |
| 49 a Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization? | 49a | | X |
| b If "Yes," was the related organization(s) a section 527 organization? | 49b | | |
- 50** Complete this table for the five highest compensated employees (other than officers, directors, trustees and key employees) who each received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization. If there is none, enter "None."

(a) Name and address of each employee paid more than \$100,000	(b) Title and average hours per week devoted to position	(c) Compensation	(d) Contributions to employee benefit plans & deferred compensation	(e) Expense account and other allowances
Name None Str City ST ZIP	Title Hr/WK . . . . .	.00 0	0	0
Name Str City ST ZIP	Title Hr/WK . . . . .	.00 0	0	0
Name Str City ST ZIP	Title Hr/WK . . . . .	.00 0	0	0
Name Str City ST ZIP	Title Hr/WK . . . . .	.00 0	0	0
Name Str City ST ZIP	Title Hr/WK . . . . .	.00 0	0	0
Total number of other employees paid over \$100,000 ▶	0	0	0	0

51 Complete this table for the five highest compensated independent contractors who each received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization. If there is none, enter "None."

(a) Name and address of each independent contractor paid more than \$100,000	(b) Type of service	(c) Compensation
Name None Str City ST ZIP		0
Name Str City ST ZIP		0
Name Str City ST ZIP		0
Name Str City ST ZIP		0
Name Str City ST ZIP		0
Total number of other independent contractors each receiving over \$100,000 ▶	0	0

Sign Here 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

▶ _____ Date _____
Signature of officer

▶ **GAIL GRUENWALD, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**
Type or print name and title.

Paid Preparer's Use Only

Preparer's signature ▶ _____	Date 8/26/2009	Check if self-employed <input type="checkbox"/>	Preparer's Identifying Number (See instructions)
Firm's name (or yours if self-employed), address, and ZIP +4 ▶ MASON & KAMMERMANN, P.C. 110 PARK AVENUE, CHARLEVOIX, MI 49720	EIN ▶ 38-2763936	Phone no. ▶ 231-547-4911	

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

SCHEDULE A
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Public Charity Status and Public Support

OMB No. 1545-0047

2008

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To be completed by all section 501(c)(3) organizations and section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts.

▶ Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ. ▶ See separate instructions.

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Name of the organization: **TIP OF THE MITT WATERSHED COUNCIL**
Employer identification number: **38-2361745**

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: (Please check only **one** organization.)

- 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.)
- 3 A hospital or a cooperative hospital service organization described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii)**. (Attach Schedule H.)
- 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 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.)
- 10 An organization organized and operated exclusively to test for public safety. See **section 509(a)(4)**. (see instructions)
- 11 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 that describes the type of supporting organization and complete lines 11e through 11h.
 - a Type I b Type II c Type III—Functionally integrated d Type III—Other
- e By checking this box, I certify that the organization is not controlled directly or indirectly by one or more disqualified persons other than foundation managers and other than one or more publicly supported organizations described in section 509(a)(1) or section 509(a)(2).
- f If the organization received a written determination from the IRS that it is a Type I, Type II, or Type III supporting organization, check this box
- g Since August 17, 2006, has the organization accepted any gift or contribution from any of the following persons?
 - (i) A person who directly or indirectly controls, either alone or together with persons described in (ii) and (iii) below, the governing body of the supported organization?
 - (ii) A family member of a person described in (i) above?
 - (iii) A 35% controlled entity of a person described in (i) or (ii) above?

	Yes	No
11g(i)		
11g(ii)		
11g(iii)		

(i) Name of supported organization	(ii) EIN	(iii) Type of organization (described on lines 1–9 above or IRC section (see instructions))	(iv) Is the organization in col. (i) listed in your governing document?		(v) Did you notify the organization in col. (i) of your support?		(vi) Is the organization in col. (i) organized in the U.S.?		(vii) Amount of support
			Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	
									0
									0
									0
									0
									0
									0
Total									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.)

Section A. Public Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ►	(a) 2004	(b) 2005	(c) 2006	(d) 2007	(e) 2008	(f) Total
1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received. (Do not include any "unusual grants.")	1,286,505	1,518,903	556,297	558,044	503,586	4,423,335
2 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf	0	0	0			0
3 The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge	0	0	0			0
4 Total Add lines 1-3	1,286,505	1,518,903	556,297	558,044	503,586	4,423,335
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.						4,423,335

Section B. Total Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ►	(a) 2004	(b) 2005	(c) 2006	(d) 2007	(e) 2008	(f) Total
7 Amounts from line 4	1,286,505	1,518,903	556,297	558,044	503,586	4,423,335
8 Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources	27,465	27,596	32,396	68,790	46,851	203,098
9 Net income from unrelated business activities, whether or not the business is regularly carried on						0
10 Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part IV.)	74,060	84,319	65,728	180,856	-48,305	356,658
11 Total support. Add lines 7 through 10						4,983,091
12 Gross receipts from related activities, etc. (see instructions.)					12	
13 First five years. If the Form 990 is for the organization's first, second, third, fourth, or fifth tax year as a section 501(c)(3) organization, check this box and stop here ► <input type="checkbox"/>						

Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage

14 Public support percentage for 2008 (line 6, column (f) divided by line 11, column (f))	14	88.77%
15 Public support percentage from 2007 Schedule A, Part IV-A, line 26f	15	85.35%
16a 33 1/3% support test–2008. If the organization did not check the box on line 13, and line 14 is 33 1/3% or more, check this box and stop here . The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization ► <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
b 33 1/3% support test–2007. If the organization did not check a box on line 13 or 16a, and line 15 is 33 1/3% or more, check this box and stop here . The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization ► <input type="checkbox"/>		
17a 10%-facts-and-circumstances-test–2008. 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 IV how the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization. ► <input type="checkbox"/>		
b 10%-facts-and-circumstances test–2007. 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 IV how the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization. ► <input type="checkbox"/>		
18 Private foundation. If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, 16b, 17a, or 17b, check this box and see instructions. ► <input type="checkbox"/>		

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

(Complete only if you checked the box on line 9 of Part I.)

Section A. Public Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ▶	(a) 2004	(b) 2005	(c) 2006	(d) 2007	(e) 2008	(f) Total
1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received. (Do not include any "unusual grants.")	0	0	0			0
2 Gross receipts from admissions, merchandise sold or services performed, or facilities furnished in any activity that is related to the organization's tax-exempt purpose	0	0	0			0
3 Gross receipts from activities that are not an unrelated trade or business under section 513						0
4 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf	0	0	0			0
5 The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge	0	0	0			0
6 Total. Add lines 1-5	0	0	0	0	0	0
7a Amounts included on lines 1, 2, and 3 received from disqualified persons						0
b Amounts included on lines 2 and 3 received from other than disqualified persons that exceed the greater of 1% of the total of lines 9, 10c, 11, and 12 for the year or \$5,000						0
c Add lines 7a and 7b	0	0	0	0	0	0
8 Public support (Subtract line 7c from line 6.)						0

Section B. Total Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ▶	(a) 2004	(b) 2005	(c) 2006	(d) 2007	(e) 2008	(f) Total
9 Amounts from line 6	0	0	0	0	0	0
10a Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources						0
b Unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 taxes) from businesses acquired after June 30, 1975						0
c Add lines 10a and 10b	0	0	0	0	0	0
11 Net income from unrelated business activities not included in line 10b, whether or not the business is regularly carried on						0
12 Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part IV.)	0	0	0			0
13 Total support. (Add lines 9, 10c, 11, and 12.)						0

14 First five years. If the Form 990 is for the organization's first, second, third, fourth, or fifth tax year as a section 501(c)(3) organization, check this box and **stop here**

Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage

15 Public support percentage for 2008 (line 8, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f))	15	0.00%
16 Public support percentage from 2007 Schedule A, Part IV-A, line 27g	16	0.00%

Section D. Computation of Investment Income Percentage

17 Investment income percentage for 2008 (line 10c, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f))	17	0.00%
18 Investment income percentage from 2007 Schedule A, Part IV-A, line 27h	18	0.00%

19a 33 1/3% support tests—2008. 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—2007. 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

Political Campaign and Lobbying Activities

2008

For Organizations Exempt From Income Tax Under section 501(c) and section 527

▶ To be completed by organizations described below.

▶ Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ.

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If the organization answered "Yes," to Form 990, Part IV, line 3, or Form 990-EZ, Part VI, 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," to 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," to Form 990, Part IV, line 5 (Proxy Tax), then

- Section 501(c)(4), (5), or (6) organizations: Complete Part III.

Name of organization TIP OF THE MITT WATERSHED COUNCIL	Employer identification number 38-2361745
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Part I-A To be completed by all organizations exempt under section 501(c) and section 527 organizations.
See the instructions for Schedule C for details.

1 Provide a description of the organization's direct and indirect political campaign activities in Part IV.

2 Political expenditures ▶ \$ _____

3 Volunteer hours _____

Part I-B To be completed by all organizations exempt under section 501(c)(3).
See the instructions for Schedule C for details.

1 Enter the amount of any excise tax incurred by the organization under section 4955 ▶ \$ _____

2 Enter the amount of any excise tax incurred by organization managers under section 4955 ▶ \$ _____

3 If the organization incurred a section 4955 tax, did it file Form 4720 for this year? Yes No

4a Was a correction made? Yes No

b If "Yes," describe in Part IV.

Part I-C To be completed by all organizations exempt under section 501(c), except section 501(c)(3).
See the instructions for Schedule C for details.

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 of direct and indirect exempt function expenditures. Add lines 1 and 2 and 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 State the names, addresses and employer identification number (EIN) of all section 527 political organizations to which payments were made. Enter the amount paid and indicate if the amount was paid from the filing organization's funds or were political contributions received and 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-
			0	0
			0	0
			0	0
			0	0
			0	0
			0	0

Part II-A To be completed by organizations exempt under section 501(c)(3) that filed Form 5768 (election under section 501(h)). See the instructions for Schedule C for details.

- A** Check if the filing organization belongs to an affiliated group.
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 (grass roots lobbying)														
b	Total lobbying expenditures to influence a legislative body (direct lobbying)														
c	Total lobbying expenditures (add lines 1a and 1b)														
d	Other exempt purpose expenditures														
e	Total exempt purpose expenditures (add lines 1c and 1d)														
f	Lobbying nontaxable amount. Enter the amount from the following table in both columns.														
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g	Grassroots nontaxable amount (enter 25% of line 1f)														
h	Subtract line 1g from line 1a. Enter -0- if line g is more than line a														
i	Subtract line 1f from line 1c. Enter -0- if line f is more than line c														
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 instructions for lines 2a through 2f of the instructions.)

Lobbying Expenditures During 4-Year Averaging Period					
Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in)	(a) 2005	(b) 2006	(c) 2007	(d) 2008	(e) Total
2a Lobbying non-taxable amount					
b Lobbying ceiling amount (150% of line 2a, column(e))					
c Total lobbying expenditures					
d Grassroots non-taxable amount					
e Grassroots ceiling amount (150% of line 2d, column (e))					
f Grassroots lobbying expenditures	2,503	699	2,358	4,455	10,015

Part II-B To be completed by organizations exempt under section 501(c)(3) that have NOT filed Form 5768 (election under section 501(h)). See the instructions for Schedule C for details.

	(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		4,290
h Rallies, demonstrations, seminars, conventions, speeches, lectures, or any other means?	X		165
i Other activities? If "Yes," describe in Part IV		X	
j Total lines 1c through 1i			4,455
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 To be completed by all organizations exempt under section 501(c)(4), section 501(c)(5), or section 501(c)(6). See the instructions for Schedule C for details.

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

Part III-B To be completed by all organizations exempt under section 501(c)(4), section 501(c)(5), or section 501(c)(6) if BOTH Part III-A, questions 1 and 2 are answered "No" OR if Part III-A, question 3 is answered "Yes." See Schedule C instructions for details.

1 Dues, assessments and similar amounts from members	1	
2 Section 162(e) non-deductible 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 expenditure next year?	4	
5 Taxable amount of lobbying and political expenditures (line 2c total minus 3 and 4)	5	0

Part IV Supplemental Information

Complete this part to provide the descriptions required for Part I-A, line 1; Part I-B, line 4; Part I-C, line 5; and Part II-B, line 1i. Also, complete this part for any additional information.

Part I, Line 16 (990-EZ) - Other Expenses

102,174

1	Travel, Meals and Entertainment		
	a Travel	1a	5,188
	b Total meals and entertainment	1b	
2	Fundraising	2	
3	From Form 4562 - Amortization	3	
4	Conferences, conventions, and meetings	4	
5	Depreciation, depletion, etc.	5	25,527
6	Equipment rental and maintenance	6	
7	Interest	7	816
8	Supplies	8	7,244
9	Telephone	9	3,591
10	Unrelated business income taxes	10	0
11	Water testing	11	1,633
12	Grant expenses	12	38,352
13	Contract services expenses	13	6,312
14	Memberships and dues	14	3,617
15	Advertising	15	3,099
16	Insurance	16	6,795
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Part I, Line 20 (990-EZ) - Other Changes in Net Assets or Fund Balances

-225,927

Description		Amount	
1	Unrealized losses on investments in stocks and bonds	1	-225,927
2		2	
3		3	
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Part II, Line 24 (990-EZ) - Other Assets

381,392

267,472

Description		Beginning	End
1	Accounts receivable	2,434	4,894
2	Inventory	2,524	3,213
3	Prepaid expenses	10,218	21,583
4	Pooled income fund	5,915	2,554
5	Net assets invested in community foundation	360,301	235,228
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Part II, Line 26 (990-EZ) - Liabilities

390,604

265,066

Description		Beginning	End
1	Accounts payable	16,296	10,995
2	Accrued expenses	14,007	18,843
3	Funds held as agency endowment	360,301	235,228
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 PART II, SCHEDULE B, LINE 10
 2008

	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>	<u>2006</u>	<u>2005</u>	<u>2004</u>
Realized gains(losses) on sale of investments	(\$50,696)	\$172,869	\$54,969	\$57,726	\$72,350
Net revenue from sale of inventory	2,253	0	573	250	1,710
Other income	<u>138</u>	<u>7,987</u>	<u>10,186</u>	<u>26,343</u>	<u>0</u>
	<u><u>(\$48,305)</u></u>	<u><u>\$180,856</u></u>	<u><u>\$65,728</u></u>	<u><u>\$84,319</u></u>	<u><u>\$74,060</u></u>