

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

# Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

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

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OMB No 1545-0047  
2015  
**Open to Public Inspection**

**A For the 2015 calendar year, or tax year beginning 07-01-2015, and ending 06-30-2016**

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

**C** Name of organization  
 HOUSTON FEDERATION OF TEACHERS

Doing business as

Number and street (or P O box if mail is not delivered to street address) Room/suite  
 2704 SUTHERLAND ST

City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code  
 HOUSTON, TX 77023

**D** Employer identification number  
 74-1959088

**E** Telephone number  
 (713) 623-8891

**G** Gross receipts \$ 3,621,768

**F** Name and address of principal officer  
 ZEPH CAPO  
 2704 SUTHERLAND  
 HOUSTON, TX 77023

**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)

**H(c)** Group exemption number ▶

**I** Tax-exempt status  501(c)(3)  501(c)(5) ◀ (insert no )  4947(a)(1) or  527

**J** Website: ▶ HTTP //TX AFT ORG/HFT/

**K** Form of organization  Corporation  Trust  Association  Other ▶

**L** Year of formation 1973

**M** State of legal domicile

**Part I Summary**

**1** Briefly describe the organization's mission or most significant activities  
 TO IMPROVE THE LIVES OF OUR MEMBERS & FAMILIES, TO GIVE VOICE TO THEIR LEGITIMATE PROFESSIONAL, ECONOMIC, & SOCIAL ASPIRATIONS, TO STRENGTHEN THE INSTITUTIONS IN WHICH WE WORK, TO IMPROVE THE QUALITY OF THE SERVICES WE PROVIDE, TO BRING TOGETHER ALL MEMBERS TO ASSIST & SUPPORT ONE ANOTHER & TO PROMOTE DEMOCRACY, HUMAN RIGHTS & FREEDOM IN OUR UNION, IN OUR NATION, & THROUGHOUT THE WORLD

**2** Check this box  if the organization discontinued its operations or disposed of more than 25% of its net assets

<b>3</b> Number of voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1a)	25
<b>4</b> Number of independent voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1b)	25
<b>5</b> Total number of individuals employed in calendar year 2015 (Part V, line 2a)	17
<b>6</b> Total number of volunteers (estimate if necessary)	
<b>7a</b> Total unrelated business revenue from Part VIII, column (C), line 12	0
<b>7b</b> Net unrelated business taxable income from Form 990-T, line 34	

		Prior Year	Current Year
<b>Revenue</b>	<b>8</b> Contributions and grants (Part VIII, line 1h)	3,413,084	3,621,768
	<b>9</b> Program service revenue (Part VIII, line 2g)		0
	<b>10</b> Investment income (Part VIII, column (A), lines 3, 4, and 7d)		0
	<b>11</b> Other revenue (Part VIII, column (A), lines 5, 6d, 8c, 9c, 10c, and 11e)		0
	<b>12</b> Total revenue—add lines 8 through 11 (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	3,413,084	3,621,768
<b>Expenses</b>	<b>13</b> Grants and similar amounts paid (Part IX, column (A), lines 1-3)		0
	<b>14</b> Benefits paid to or for members (Part IX, column (A), line 4)		0
	<b>15</b> Salaries, other compensation, employee benefits (Part IX, column (A), lines 5-10)	877,104	720,197
	<b>16a</b> Professional fundraising fees (Part IX, column (A), line 11e)		0
	<b>b</b> Total fundraising expenses (Part IX, column (D), line 25) ▶ 0		
	<b>17</b> Other expenses (Part IX, column (A), lines 11a-11d, 11f-24e)	2,561,012	2,899,016
	<b>18</b> Total expenses Add lines 13-17 (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	3,438,116	3,619,213
<b>19</b> Revenue less expenses Subtract line 18 from line 12	-25,032	2,555	
<b>Net Assets or Fund Balances</b>	<b>20</b> Total assets (Part X, line 16)	156,695	158,443
	<b>21</b> Total liabilities (Part X, line 26)	807	0
	<b>22</b> Net assets or fund balances Subtract line 21 from line 20	155,888	158,443

**Part II Signature Block**

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined this return, in 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: ZEPH CAPO PRESIDENT

**Paid Preparer Use Only**  
 Print/Type preparer's name: GREG GREGORY  
 Preparer's signature: GREG GREGORY  
 Firm's name: GREGORY J GREGORY CPA  
 Firm's address: 402 BROOKS STREET, SUGAR LAND, TX 774783232

May the IRS discuss this return with the preparer shown above? (see instructions)

**Part III Statement of Program Service Accomplishments**

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

**1** Briefly describe the organization's mission

TO IMPROVE THE LIVES OF OUR MEMBERS & FAMILIES, TO GIVE VOICE TO THEIR LEGITIMATE PROFESSIONAL , ECONOMIC , & SOCIAL ASPIRATIONS, TO STRENGTHEN THE INSTITUTIONS IN WHICH WE WORK, TO IMPROVE THE QUALITY OF THE SERVICES WE PROVIDE, TO BRING TOGETHER ALL MEMBERS TO ASSIST & SUPPORT ONE ANOTHER & TO PROMOTE DEMOCRACY, HUMAN RIGHTS & FREEDOM IN OUR UNION, IN OUR NATION, & THROUGHOUT THE WORLD

**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  No

If "Yes," describe these new services on Schedule O

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

If "Yes," describe these changes on Schedule O

**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 \$ including grants of \$ ) (Revenue \$ )  
 FULL TIME STAFF TO HANDLE MEMBER'S GRIEVANCES, RECRUIT NEW MEMBERS AND SERVICE EXISTING MEMBERS APPROXIMATELY 5626 MEMBERS

**4b** (Code ) (Expenses \$ including grants of \$ ) (Revenue \$ )  
 PRINTING OF PUBLICATIONS TO INFORM AND ATTRACT MEMBERS APPROXIMATELY 35,000 PUBLICATIONS PRINTED

**4c** (Code ) (Expenses \$ including grants of \$ ) (Revenue \$ )  
 LEGAL DEFENSE OF MEMBERS  
 See Additional Data

**4d** Other program services (Describe in Schedule O )  
 (Expenses \$ including grants of \$ ) (Revenue \$ )

**4e** Total program service expenses ▶

**Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules**

		Yes	No
<b>1</b>	Is the organization described in section 501(c)(3) or 4947(a)(1) (other than a private foundation)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule A</i> . . . . .		No
<b>2</b>	Is the organization required to complete <i>Schedule B, Schedule of Contributors</i> (see instructions)? . . . . .		No
<b>3</b>	Did the organization engage in direct or indirect political campaign activities on behalf of or in opposition to candidates for public office? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part I</i> . . . . .		No
<b>4</b>	<b>Section 501(c)(3) organizations.</b> Did the organization engage in lobbying activities, or have a section 501(h) election in effect during the tax year? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part II</i> . . . . .		
<b>5</b>	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 Revenue Procedure 98-19? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part III</i> . . . . .		No
<b>6</b>	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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part I</i> . . . . .		No
<b>7</b>	Did the organization receive or hold a conservation easement, including easements to preserve open space, the environment, historic land areas, or historic structures? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part II</i> . . . . .		No
<b>8</b>	Did the organization maintain collections of works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part III</i> . . . . .		No
<b>9</b>	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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part IV</i> . . . . .		No
<b>10</b>	Did the organization, directly or through a related organization, hold assets in temporarily restricted endowments, permanent endowments, or quasi-endowments? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part V</i> . . . . .		No
<b>11</b>	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		
<b>a</b>	Did the organization report an amount for land, buildings, and equipment in Part X, line 10? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VI</i> . . . . .	<b>11a</b>	No
<b>b</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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VII</i> . . . . .	<b>11b</b>	No
<b>c</b>	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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VIII</i> . . . . .	<b>11c</b>	No
<b>d</b>	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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part IX</i> . . . . .	<b>11d</b>	No
<b>e</b>	Did the organization report an amount for other liabilities in Part X, line 25? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X</i> . . . . .	<b>11e</b>	No
<b>f</b>	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)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X</i> . . . . .	<b>11f</b>	No
<b>12a</b>	Did the organization obtain separate, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Parts XI and XII</i> . . . . .	<b>12a</b>	No
<b>b</b>	Was the organization included in consolidated, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? <i>If "Yes," and if the organization answered "No" to line 12a, then completing Schedule D, Parts XI and XII is optional</i> . . . . .	<b>12b</b>	No
<b>13</b>	Is the organization a school described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule E</i> . . . . .	<b>13</b>	No
<b>14a</b>	Did the organization maintain an office, employees, or agents outside of the United States? . . . . .	<b>14a</b>	No
<b>b</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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts I and IV</i> . . . . .	<b>14b</b>	No
<b>15</b>	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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts II and IV</i> . . . . .	<b>15</b>	No
<b>16</b>	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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts III and IV</i> . . . . .	<b>16</b>	No
<b>17</b>	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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part I</i> (see instructions) . . . . .	<b>17</b>	No
<b>18</b>	Did the organization report more than \$15,000 total of fundraising event gross income and contributions on Part VIII, lines 1c and 8a? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part II</i> . . . . .	<b>18</b>	No
<b>19</b>	Did the organization report more than \$15,000 of gross income from gaming activities on Part VIII, line 9a? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part III</i> . . . . .	<b>19</b>	No
<b>20a</b>	Did the organization operate one or more hospital facilities? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule H</i> . . . . .	<b>20a</b>	No
<b>b</b>	If "Yes" to line 20a, did the organization attach a copy of its audited financial statements to this return?	<b>20b</b>	

Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules (continued)

Table with 3 columns: Question ID, Question Text, and Answer. Rows include questions 21 through 38, covering topics like grants, tax-exempt bonds, excess benefit transactions, and controlled entities. Includes a 'Note' at the bottom regarding Form 990 filers.

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

Table with columns for question numbers (1a-14b), descriptions, and Yes/No columns. Includes sub-questions for various IRS forms and reporting requirements.

**Part VI Governance, Management, and Disclosure**

For each "Yes" response to lines 2 through 7b below, and for a "No" response to lines 8a, 8b, or 10b below, describe the circumstances, processes, or changes in Schedule O. See instructions.

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

**Section A. Governing Body and Management**

		Yes	No
<b>1a</b>	Enter the number of voting members of the governing body at the end of the tax year If there are material differences in voting rights among members of the governing body, or if the governing body delegated broad authority to an executive committee or similar committee, explain in Schedule O		
<b>1b</b>	Enter the number of voting members included in line 1a, above, who are independent		
<b>2</b>	Did any officer, director, trustee, or key employee have a family relationship or a business relationship with any other officer, director, trustee, or key employee?		No
<b>3</b>	Did the organization delegate control over management duties customarily performed by or under the direct supervision of officers, directors or trustees, or key employees to a management company or other person?		No
<b>4</b>	Did the organization make any significant changes to its governing documents since the prior Form 990 was filed?		No
<b>5</b>	Did the organization become aware during the year of a significant diversion of the organization's assets?		No
<b>6</b>	Did the organization have members or stockholders?		No
<b>7a</b>	Did the organization have members, stockholders, or other persons who had the power to elect or appoint one or more members of the governing body?		No
<b>7b</b>	Are any governance decisions of the organization reserved to (or subject to approval by) members, stockholders, or persons other than the governing body?		No
<b>8</b>	Did the organization contemporaneously document the meetings held or written actions undertaken during the year by the following		
<b>8a</b>	The governing body?	Yes	
<b>8b</b>	Each committee with authority to act on behalf of the governing body?	Yes	
<b>9</b>	Is there any officer, director, trustee, or key employee listed in Part VII, Section A, who cannot be reached at the organization's mailing address? If "Yes," provide the names and addresses in Schedule O		No

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

		Yes	No
<b>10a</b>	Did the organization have local chapters, branches, or affiliates?		No
<b>10b</b>	If "Yes," did the organization have written policies and procedures governing the activities of such chapters, affiliates, and branches to ensure their operations are consistent with the organization's exempt purposes?		
<b>11a</b>	Has the organization provided a complete copy of this Form 990 to all members of its governing body before filing the form?		No
<b>11b</b>	Describe in Schedule O the process, if any, used by the organization to review this Form 990		
<b>12a</b>	Did the organization have a written conflict of interest policy? If "No," go to line 13		No
<b>12b</b>	Were officers, directors, or trustees, and key employees required to disclose annually interests that could give rise to conflicts?		
<b>12c</b>	Did the organization regularly and consistently monitor and enforce compliance with the policy? If "Yes," describe in Schedule O how this was done		
<b>13</b>	Did the organization have a written whistleblower policy?		No
<b>14</b>	Did the organization have a written document retention and destruction policy?		No
<b>15a</b>	Did the process for determining compensation of the following persons include a review and approval by independent persons, comparability data, and contemporaneous substantiation of the deliberation and decision?		
<b>15b</b>	The organization's CEO, Executive Director, or top management official		No
<b>15b</b>	Other officers or key employees of the organization		No
<b>16a</b>	If "Yes" to line 15a or 15b, describe the process in Schedule O (see instructions)		
<b>16a</b>	Did the organization invest in, contribute assets to, or participate in a joint venture or similar arrangement with a taxable entity during the year?		No
<b>16b</b>	If "Yes," did the organization follow a written policy or procedure requiring the organization to evaluate its participation in joint venture arrangements under applicable federal tax law, and take steps to safeguard the organization's exempt status with respect to such arrangements?		

**Section C. Disclosure**

- 17** List the States with which a copy of this Form 990 is required to be filed ▶

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- 18** Section 6104 requires an organization to make its Form 1023 (or 1024 if applicable), 990, and 990-T (501(c)(3)s only) available for public inspection. Indicate how you made these available. Check all that apply.  
 Own website    Another's website    Upon request    Other (explain in Schedule O)
- 19** Describe in Schedule O whether (and if so, how) the organization made its governing documents, conflict of interest policy, and financial statements available to the public during the tax year
- 20** State the name, address, and telephone number of the person who possesses the organization's books and records  
 ▶ HOUSTON FEDERATION OF TEACHERS 3100 WESLAYAN 255 HOUSTON, TX 77027 (713) 623-8891

**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 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 and/or Box 7 of Form 1099-MISC) of more than \$100,000 from the organization and any related organizations.
- List all of the organization's **former** officers, key employees, or 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.

List persons in the following order: individual trustees or directors; institutional trustees; officers; key employees; highest compensated employees; and former such persons.

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)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W-2/1099-MISC)	(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) ZEPH CAPO ..... PRESIDENT	50 00 .....	X		X				84,725	0	20,663
(2) ANDY DEWEY ..... VICE PRESIDE	40 00 .....			X				55,280	0	13,820
(3) JACKIE ANDERSON ..... SEC/TREASURE	2 00 .....			X				0	0	0

**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)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W-2/1099-MISC)	(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			
<b>1b Sub-Total</b> . . . . .										
<b>c Total from continuation sheets to Part VII, Section A</b> . . . . .										
<b>d Total (add lines 1b and 1c)</b> . . . . .							140,005		34,483	

**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 ▶

	Yes	No
<b>3</b> Did the organization list any <b>former</b> officer, director or trustee, key employee, or highest compensated employee on line 1a? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual</i> . . . . .	3	No
<b>4</b> 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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual</i> . . . . .	4	No
<b>5</b> Did any person listed on line 1a receive or accrue compensation from any unrelated organization or individual for services rendered to the organization? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such person</i> . . . . .	5	No

**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

**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 ▶



**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	
<b>Contributions, Gifts, Grants and Other Similar Amounts</b>	<b>1a</b> Federated campaigns . . . . . <b>1a</b> _____					
	<b>b</b> Membership dues . . . . . <b>1b</b> _____ 3,486,371					
	<b>c</b> Fundraising events . . . . . <b>1c</b> _____					
	<b>d</b> Related organizations . . . . . <b>1d</b> _____ 135,397					
	<b>e</b> Government grants (contributions) <b>1e</b> _____					
	<b>f</b> All other contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts not included above <b>1f</b> _____					
	<b>g</b> Noncash contributions included in lines 1a-1f \$ _____					
	<b>h Total.</b> Add lines 1a-1f . . . . . <b>▶</b>		3,621,768			
<b>Program Service Revenue</b>	<b>2a</b> _____ Business Code _____					
	<b>b</b> _____					
	<b>c</b> _____					
	<b>d</b> _____					
	<b>e</b> _____					
	<b>f</b> All other program service revenue					
	<b>g Total.</b> Add lines 2a-2f . . . . . <b>▶</b>					
<b>Other Revenue</b>	<b>3</b> Investment income (including dividends, interest, and other similar amounts) . . . . . <b>▶</b>					
	<b>4</b> Income from investment of tax-exempt bond proceeds . . . . . <b>▶</b>					
	<b>5</b> Royalties . . . . . <b>▶</b>					
	<b>6a</b> Gross rents	(i) Real				
		(ii) Personal				
		<b>b</b> Less rental expenses				
		<b>c</b> Rental income or (loss)				
	<b>d</b> Net rental income or (loss) . . . . . <b>▶</b>					
	<b>7a</b> Gross amount from sales of assets other than inventory	(i) Securities				
		(ii) Other				
		<b>b</b> Less cost or other basis and sales expenses				
		<b>c</b> Gain or (loss)				
	<b>d</b> Net gain or (loss) . . . . . <b>▶</b>					
	<b>8a</b> Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ _____ of contributions reported on line 1c) See Part IV, line 18 . . . . . <b>a</b>					
		<b>b</b> Less direct expenses . . . . . <b>b</b>				
		<b>c</b> Net income or (loss) from fundraising events . . . . . <b>▶</b>				
	<b>9a</b> Gross income from gaming activities See Part IV, line 19 . . . . . <b>a</b>					
		<b>b</b> Less direct expenses . . . . . <b>b</b>				
		<b>c</b> Net income or (loss) from gaming activities . . . . . <b>▶</b>				
	<b>10a</b> Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances . . . . . <b>a</b>					
<b>b</b> Less cost of goods sold . . . . . <b>b</b>						
<b>c</b> Net income or (loss) from sales of inventory . . . . . <b>▶</b>						
Miscellaneous Revenue	Business Code					
<b>11a</b> _____						
<b>b</b> _____						
<b>c</b> _____						
<b>d</b> All other revenue . . . . .						
<b>e Total.</b> Add lines 11a-11d . . . . . <b>▶</b>						
<b>12 Total revenue.</b> See Instructions . . . . . <b>▶</b>		3,621,768				

**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  . . . . .

<b>Do not include amounts reported on lines 6b, 7b, 8b, 9b, and 10b of Part VIII.</b>		<b>(A)</b> Total expenses	<b>(B)</b> Program service expenses	<b>(C)</b> Management and general expenses	<b>(D)</b> Fundraising expenses
<b>1</b>	Grants and other assistance to domestic organizations and domestic governments See Part IV, line 21 . . . . .				
<b>2</b>	Grants and other assistance to domestic individuals See Part IV, line 22 . . . . .				
<b>3</b>	Grants and other assistance to foreign organizations, foreign governments, and foreign individuals See Part IV, lines 15 and 16 . . . . .				
<b>4</b>	Benefits paid to or for members . . . . .				
<b>5</b>	Compensation of current officers, directors, trustees, and key employees . . . . .	174,488	10,539	163,949	
<b>6</b>	Compensation not included above, to disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)) and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B) . . . . .				
<b>7</b>	Other salaries and wages . . . . .	350,832	315,749	35,083	
<b>8</b>	Pension plan accruals and contributions (include section 401(k) and 403(b) employer contributions) . . . . .	76,249	76,249		
<b>9</b>	Other employee benefits . . . . .	78,218	70,396	7,822	
<b>10</b>	Payroll taxes . . . . .	40,410	36,369	4,041	
<b>11</b>	Fees for services (non-employees)				
<b>a</b>	Management . . . . .				
<b>b</b>	Legal . . . . .	154,368	154,368		
<b>c</b>	Accounting . . . . .	19,800		19,800	
<b>d</b>	Lobbying . . . . .				
<b>e</b>	Professional fundraising services See Part IV, line 17				
<b>f</b>	Investment management fees . . . . .				
<b>g</b>	Other (If line 11g amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A) amount, list line 11g expenses on Schedule O) . . . . .				
<b>12</b>	Advertising and promotion . . . . .				
<b>13</b>	Office expenses . . . . .	44,315	38,538	5,777	
<b>14</b>	Information technology . . . . .	10,563	9,507	1,056	
<b>15</b>	Royalties . . . . .				
<b>16</b>	Occupancy . . . . .	72,805	65,524	7,281	
<b>17</b>	Travel . . . . .				
<b>18</b>	Payments of travel or entertainment expenses for any federal, state, or local public officials . . . . .				
<b>19</b>	Conferences, conventions, and meetings . . . . .	16,474	16,474		
<b>20</b>	Interest . . . . .	420		420	
<b>21</b>	Payments to affiliates . . . . .	2,234,317	2,234,317		
<b>22</b>	Depreciation, depletion, and amortization . . . . .				
<b>23</b>	Insurance . . . . .	3,474	3,474		
<b>24</b>	Other expenses Itemize expenses not covered above (List miscellaneous expenses in line 24e. If line 24e amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A) amount, list line 24e expenses on Schedule O )				
<b>a</b>	ORGANIZING	68,148	68,148		
<b>b</b>	EQUIPMENT RENTAL & MAINTENANCE	36,156	18,078	18,078	
<b>c</b>	POSTAGE	28,781	28,781		
<b>d</b>	STAFF AUTO EXPENSES	24,751	24,751		
<b>e</b>	All other expenses	184,644	115,976	68,668	
<b>25</b>	<b>Total functional expenses.</b> Add lines 1 through 24e	3,619,213	3,287,238	331,975	0
<b>26</b>	<b>Joint costs.</b> 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)		(B)	
		Beginning of year		End of year	
<b>Assets</b>	<b>1</b> Cash—non-interest-bearing . . . . .	156,695	<b>1</b>	158,293	
	<b>2</b> Savings and temporary cash investments . . . . .		<b>2</b>		
	<b>3</b> Pledges and grants receivable, net . . . . .		<b>3</b>		
	<b>4</b> Accounts receivable, net . . . . .		<b>4</b>		
	<b>5</b> Loans and other receivables from current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, and highest compensated employees Complete Part II of Schedule L . . . . .		<b>5</b>		
	<b>6</b> Loans and other receivables from other disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)), persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B), and contributing employers and sponsoring organizations of section 501(c)(9) voluntary employees' beneficiary organizations (see instructions) Complete Part II of Schedule L . . . . .		<b>6</b>		
	<b>7</b> Notes and loans receivable, net . . . . .		<b>7</b>		
	<b>8</b> Inventories for sale or use . . . . .		<b>8</b>		
	<b>9</b> Prepaid expenses and deferred charges . . . . .		<b>9</b>	150	
	<b>10a</b> Land, buildings, and equipment cost or other basis Complete Part VI of Schedule D . . . . .	<b>10a</b>			
	<b>b</b> Less accumulated depreciation . . . . .	<b>10b</b>		<b>10c</b>	
	<b>11</b> Investments—publicly traded securities . . . . .		<b>11</b>		
	<b>12</b> Investments—other securities See Part IV, line 11 . . . . .		<b>12</b>		
	<b>13</b> Investments—program-related See Part IV, line 11 . . . . .		<b>13</b>		
	<b>14</b> Intangible assets . . . . .		<b>14</b>		
	<b>15</b> Other assets See Part IV, line 11 . . . . .		<b>15</b>		
<b>16 Total assets.</b> Add lines 1 through 15 (must equal line 34) . . . . .		156,695	<b>16</b>	158,443	
<b>Liabilities</b>	<b>17</b> Accounts payable and accrued expenses . . . . .		<b>17</b>		
	<b>18</b> Grants payable . . . . .		<b>18</b>		
	<b>19</b> Deferred revenue . . . . .		<b>19</b>		
	<b>20</b> Tax-exempt bond liabilities . . . . .		<b>20</b>		
	<b>21</b> Escrow or custodial account liability Complete Part IV of Schedule D . . . . .		<b>21</b>		
	<b>22</b> Loans and other payables to current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, highest compensated employees, and disqualified persons Complete Part II of Schedule L . . . . .		<b>22</b>		
	<b>23</b> Secured mortgages and notes payable to unrelated third parties . . . . .		<b>23</b>		
	<b>24</b> Unsecured notes and loans payable to unrelated third parties . . . . .		<b>24</b>		
	<b>25</b> 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 . . . . .		807	<b>25</b>	
	<b>26 Total liabilities.</b> Add lines 17 through 25 . . . . .		807	<b>26</b>	0
<b>Net Assets or Fund Balances</b>	<b>Organizations that follow SFAS 117 (ASC 958), check here <input type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 27 through 29, and lines 33 and 34.</b>				
	<b>27</b> Unrestricted net assets . . . . .		<b>27</b>		
	<b>28</b> Temporarily restricted net assets . . . . .		<b>28</b>		
	<b>29</b> Permanently restricted net assets . . . . .		<b>29</b>		
	<b>Organizations that do not follow SFAS 117 (ASC 958), check here <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 30 through 34.</b>				
	<b>30</b> Capital stock or trust principal, or current funds . . . . .		<b>30</b>		
	<b>31</b> Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, building or equipment fund . . . . .		<b>31</b>		
	<b>32</b> Retained earnings, endowment, accumulated income, or other funds . . . . .	155,888	<b>32</b>	158,443	
<b>33</b> Total net assets or fund balances . . . . .	155,888	<b>33</b>	158,443		
<b>34</b> Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances . . . . .	156,695	<b>34</b>	158,443		

**Part XI Reconciliation of Net Assets**

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

<b>1</b>	Total revenue (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	<b>1</b>	3,621,768
<b>2</b>	Total expenses (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	<b>2</b>	3,619,213
<b>3</b>	Revenue less expenses Subtract line 2 from line 1	<b>3</b>	2,555
<b>4</b>	Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (must equal Part X, line 33, column (A))	<b>4</b>	155,888
<b>5</b>	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	<b>5</b>	
<b>6</b>	Donated services and use of facilities	<b>6</b>	
<b>7</b>	Investment expenses	<b>7</b>	
<b>8</b>	Prior period adjustments	<b>8</b>	
<b>9</b>	Other changes in net assets or fund balances (explain in Schedule O)	<b>9</b>	
<b>10</b>	Net assets or fund balances at end of year Combine lines 3 through 9 (must equal Part X, line 33, column (B))	<b>10</b>	158,443

**Part XII Financial Statements and Reporting**

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

		Yes	No
<b>1</b>	Accounting method used to prepare the Form 990 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Cash <input type="checkbox"/> Accrual <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ If the organization changed its method of accounting from a prior year or checked "Other," explain in Schedule O		
<b>2a</b>	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 <input type="checkbox"/> Separate basis <input type="checkbox"/> Consolidated basis <input type="checkbox"/> Both consolidated and separate basis		No
<b>2b</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 <input type="checkbox"/> Separate basis <input type="checkbox"/> Consolidated basis <input type="checkbox"/> Both consolidated and separate basis		No
<b>2c</b>	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 in Schedule O		
<b>3a</b>	As a result of a federal award, was the organization required to undergo an audit or audits as set forth in the Single Audit Act and OMB Circular A-133?		
<b>3b</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 in Schedule O and describe any steps taken to undergo such audits		

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### Form 990, Part III - 4 Program Service Accomplishments (See the Instructions)

(Code	) (Expenses \$	including grants of \$	) (Revenue \$	)
N/A				

**SCHEDULE O  
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**990 Schedule O, Supplemental Information**

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FORM 990 - ORGANIZATION'S MISSION	TO IMPROVE THE LIVES OF OUR MEMBERS & FAMILIES, TO GIVE VOICE TO THEIR LEGITIMATE PROFESSIONAL , ECONOMIC, & SOCIAL ASPIRATIONS, TO STRENGTHEN THE INSTITUTIONS IN WHICH WE WORK, TO IMPROVE THE QUALITY OF THE SERVICES WE PROVIDE, TO BRING TOGETHER ALL MEMBERS TO ASSIST & SUPPORT ONE ANOTHER & TO PROMOTE DEMOCRACY, HUMAN RIGHTS & FREEDOM IN OUR UNION, IN OUR NATION, & THROUGHOUT THE WORLD
FORM 990, PAGE 2, PART III, LINE 4D	N/A

**990 Schedule O, Supplemental Information**

Return Reference	Explanation
FORM 990, PAGE 6, PART VI, LINE 11B	NO REVIEW WAS OR WILL BE CONDUCTED
FORM 990, PAGE 6, PART VI, LINE 19	NO DOCUMENTS AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC