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			Yes	No
1	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>	1	Х	
2	Is the organization required to complete Schedule B, Schedule of Contributors See instructions.	2	Х	
3	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>	3		Х
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? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule C, Part II</i>	4		Х
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 Revenue Procedure 98-19?// 'Yes,' complete Schedule C, Part III	5		Х
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? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule D, Part I</i>	6		Х
7	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>	7		Х
8	Did the organization maintain collections of works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets <i>f 'Yes,'</i> complete Schedule D, Part III.	8		Х
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.	9		Х
10	Did the organization, directly or through a related organization, hold assets in donor-restricted endowments or in quasi endowments? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule D, Part V</i>	10		Х
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.			
а	Did the organization report an amount for land, buildings, and equipment in Part X, line 10? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule D</i> , <i>Part VI</i>	11 a		Х
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>	11 b		Х
С	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>	11 c		Х
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.	11 d		Х
е	Did the organization report an amount for other liabilities in Part X, line 25? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule D, Part X</i>	11 e	Х	
	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)?/f 'Yes,' complete Schedule D, Part X	11 f		Х
12a	Did the organization obtain separate, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule D, Parts XI and XII	12a		Х
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	12b		Х
13	Is the organization a school described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule E	13		Х
14a	Did the organization maintain an office, employees, or agents outside of the United States?	14a		Х
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>	14b		Х
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? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule F, Parts II and IV</i>	15		Х
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? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule F, Parts III and IV</i>	16		Х
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? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule G, Part I</i> . See instructions	17		Х
18		18		Х
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.	19		Х
20a	Did the organization operate one or more hospital facilities?/f 'Yes,' complete Schedule H	20a		X
b	If 'Yes' to line 20a, did the organization attach a copy of its audited financial statements to this return?	20b		
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? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule I, Parts I and II</i>	21		Х
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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? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule I, Parts I and III	22	Yes	No X
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	Schedule J	23		Х
24	a 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</i> <i>complete Schedule K. If 'No, 'go to line 25a.</i>	24a		х
I	b Did the organization invest any proceeds of tax-exempt bonds beyond a temporary period exception?	24b		
	c Did the organization maintain an escrow account other than a refunding escrow at any time during the year to defease any tax-exempt bonds?	24c		
	d Did the organization act as an 'on behalf of' issuer for bonds outstanding at any time during the year?	24d		
25	a 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>	25a		Х
I	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> .	25b		Х
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>	26		х
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> .	27		Х
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):			
i	a A current or former officer, director, trustee, key employee, creator or founder, or substantial contributor# <i>'Yes,' complete Schedule L, Part IV</i>	28a		х
l	A family member of any individual described in line 28a? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule L, Part IV</i>	28b		Х
	c A 35% controlled entity of one or more individuals and/or organizations described in line 28a or 28b <i>7f Yes,'</i> complete Schedule L, Part IV	28c		Х
29	Did the organization receive more than \$25,000 in non-cash contributions?/f 'Yes,' complete Schedule M	29	Х	
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>	30		Х
31	Did the organization liquidate, terminate, or dissolve and cease operations 2/1 'Yes,' complete Schedule N, Part I	31		Х
32	Did the organization sell, exchange, dispose of, or transfer more than 25% of its net assets? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule N, Part II	32		Х
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>	33		Х
	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>	34		Х
35	a Did the organization have a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)?	35a		Х
I	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>	35b		
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>	36		Х
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>	37		Х
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	38	Х	
Pa	rt 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	<u></u>		
1	a Enter the number reported in box 3 of Form 1096. Enter -0- if not applicable		Yes	No
	b Enter the number reported in box 3 of Form 1096. 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?		X	
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2 a	Enter the number of employees reported on Form W-3, Transmittal of Wage and Tax State-			
	ments, filed for the calendar year ending with or within the year covered by this return 2 a	1		
b	If at least one is reported on line 2a, did the organization file all required federal employment tax returns?	2t	)	Х
	Note: If the sum of lines 1a and 2a is greater than 250, you may be required to <i>e-file</i> . See instructions.			
3 a	Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year?	3a	1	Х
b	If 'Yes,' has it filed a Form 990-T for this year <i>If 'No' to line 3b, provide an explanation on Schedule.O</i>	3k	<b>)</b>	
<b>4</b> a	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)	4a	1	Х
b	If 'Yes,' enter the name of the foreign country►			
	See instructions for filing requirements for FinCEN Form 114, Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts (FBAR).			
5 a	Was the organization a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction at any time during the tax year?	5a	1	Х
b	Did any taxable party notify the organization that it was or is a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction?		)	Х
	If 'Yes,' to line 5a or 5b, did the organization file Form 8886-T?		:	<u> </u>
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04	Does the organization have annual gross receipts that are normally greater than \$100,000, and did the organiz solicit any contributions that were not tax deductible as charitable contributions?		1	Х
b	If 'Yes,' did the organization include with every solicitation an express statement that such contributions or gifts were not tax deductible?	61		
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	Organizations that may receive deductible contributions under section 170(c).			
а	Did the organization receive a payment in excess of \$75 made partly as a contribution and partly for goods an services provided to the payor?	d 7a		X
h	If 'Yes,' did the organization notify the donor of the value of the goods or services provided?			
	Did the organization sell, exchange, or otherwise dispose of tangible personal property for which it was required to file	//		<u> </u>
U	Form 8282?	7a	:	Х
d	If 'Yes,' indicate the number of Forms 8282 filed during the year			
е	Did the organization receive any funds, directly or indirectly, to pay premiums on a personal benefit contract?		9	Х
f	Did the organization, during the year, pay premiums, directly or indirectly, on a personal benefit contract?	7f		Х
g	If the organization received a contribution of qualified intellectual property, did the organization file Form 8899 as required?		1	
h	If the organization received a contribution of cars, boats, airplanes, or other vehicles, did the organization file		,	<u> </u>
	Form 1098-C?	7ł	ı	
8	Sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds. Did a donor advised fund maintained by the sponsoring			
	organization have excess business holdings at any time during the year?	8		
9	Sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds.			
а	Did the sponsoring organization make any taxable distributions under section 4966?		1	
b	Did the sponsoring organization make a distribution to a donor, donor advisor, or related person?	9t	)	
10	Section 501(c)(7) organizations. Enter:			
а	Initiation fees and capital contributions included on Part VIII, line 12			
	Gross receipts, included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, for public use of club facilities 10 b			
11	Section 501(c)(12) organizations. Enter:			
	Gross income from members or shareholders			
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~	against amounts due or received from them.)			
12 a	Section 4947(a)(1) non-exempt charitable trusts. Is the organization filing Form 990 in lieu of Form 1041?	12a	1	
b	If 'Yes,' enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the year 12b			
13	Section 501(c)(29) qualified nonprofit health insurance issuers.			
а	Is the organization licensed to issue qualified health plans in more than one state?	13a	1	
	Note: See the instructions for additional information the organization must report on Schedule O.			
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~	Enter the amount of reserves the organization is required to maintain by the states in which the organization is licensed to issue qualified health plans			
	Enter the amount of reserves on hand			
14a	Did the organization receive any payments for indoor tanning services during the tax year?	14a	1	Х
b	If 'Yes,' has it filed a Form 720 to report these payments? <i>If 'No,' provide an explanation on Schedule O</i>	14k	<b>b</b>	
15	Is the organization subject to the section 4960 tax on payment(s) of more than \$1,000,000 in remuneration or			1
	excess parachute payment(s) during the year?	15		Х
	If 'Yes,' see the instructions and file Form 4720, Schedule N.			6.5
16	Is the organization an educational institution subject to the section 4968 excise tax on net investment income	? 16		Х
	If 'Yes,' complete Form 4720, Schedule O.			
17	Section 501(c)(21) organizations. Did the trust, any disqualified person, or mine operator engage in any	17		
	activities that would result in the imposition of an excise tax under section 4951, 4952, or 4953? If 'Yes,' complete Form 6069.			

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Part	a 'No' response to line 8a, 8b, or 10b below, describe the circumstances, processes, or ci			d for						
	<i>Schedule O. See instructions.</i> Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part VI			. X						
Sect	ion A. Governing Body and Management									
			Yes	No						
1a	Enter the number of voting members of the governing body at the end of the tax year 1 a 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 on Schedule O.	7								
b	Enter the number of voting members included on line 1a, above, who are independent 1 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?	. 2		X						
3	3 Did the organization delegate control over management duties customarily performed by or under the direct supervision of officers, directors, trustees, or key employees to a management company or other person?									
4	Did the organization make any significant changes to its governing documents									
	since the prior Form 990 was filed?			Х						
5	Did the organization become aware during the year of a significant diversion of the organization's assets?	. 5		Х						
	Did the organization have members or stockholders?	. 6		Х						
7 a	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?. See . Schedule0	. 7a	х							
	Are any governance decisions of the organization reserved to (or subject to approval by) members See Sch 0 stockholders, or persons other than the governing body?	. 7b	Х							
	Did the organization contemporaneously document the meetings held or written actions undertaken during the year by the following:									
	The governing body?		Х	L						
	Each committee with authority to act on behalf of the governing body?	. 8b	Х							
	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? <i>If 'Yes,' provide the names and addresses on Schedule O</i>			Х						
Sect	ion B. Policies (This Section B requests information about policies not required by the Interna	<u>ıl Reve</u>	-							
		10	Yes	No						
	Did the organization have local chapters, branches, or affiliates?			Х						
	If 'Yes,' did the organization have written policies and procedures governing the activities of such chapters, affiliates, and branches to ensure t operations are consistent with the organization's exempt purposes?	. 10b								
	Has the organization provided a complete copy of this Form 990 to all members of its governing body before filing the form?		Х	<u> </u>						
	Describe on Schedule O the process, if any, used by the organization to review this Form 990. See Schedule O		-	37						
	Did the organization have a written conflict of interest policy?// 'No,' go to line 13	. 12a		X						
	Were officers, directors, or trustees, and key employees required to disclose annually interests that could give rise to conflicts?	. 12b								
	Did the organization regularly and consistently monitor and enforce compliance with the policy? <i>If 'Yes,' describe on Schedule O how this was done</i> See. Schedule O.									
	Did the organization have a written whistleblower policy?		Х							
	Did the organization have a written document retention and destruction policy?	. 14	Х	<u> </u>						
	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?									
	The organization's CEO, Executive Director, or top management official See. Schedule.0		X	<b></b>						
	Other officers or key employees of the organization. See. Schedule. O.	. 15b	Х							
	If 'Yes' to line 15a or 15b, describe the process on Schedule O. See instructions.									
	Did the organization invest in, contribute assets to, or participate in a joint venture or similar arrangement with a taxable entity during the year?	. 16a		Х						
	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?	. 16b								
	ion C. Disclosure		,							
	List the states with which a copy of this Form 990 is required to be filed ► CO									
18	Section 6104 requires an organization to make its Forms 1023 (1024 or 1024-A, if applicable), 990, and 990-T (Section available for public inspection. Indicate how you made these available. Check all that apply.	501(c)(3	3)s on	ly)						
	Own website       Another's website       Image: Construction of the construc									
	Describe on Schedule O whether (and if so, how) the organization made its governing documents, conflict of interest policy, and financial state the public during the tax year. See Schedule O	ments ava	ailable	to						
	State the name, address, and telephone number of the person who possesses the organization's books and records ►									
	Viniyanka Prasad 757 E 20th Ave. Ste. 370-335 Denver CO 80205 (720) 644-09	81								

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Part VII Con Inde	npensation of Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, Hi ependent Contractors	ghest Compensated Employees,	and
Chec	ck if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part VII		📋
Section A. Of	fficers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Comp	pensated Employees	
1.0		11 14 14 1 H	

1 a 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 fivecurrent highest compensated employees (other than an officer, director, trustee, or key employee) who received reportable compensation (box 5 of Form W-2, 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.

				(C)						
(A) Name and title			Position (do not check more than one box, unless person is both an officer and a director/trustee)					(D) Reportable compensation from the organization	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations	(F) Estimated amount of other
	per week (list any hours for related organiza- tions below dotted line)	Individual trustee or director	Institutional trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former	the organization (W-2/1099- MISC/1099-NEC)	(W-211099- MISC/1099-NEC)	compensation from the organization and related organizations
(1) Viniyanka Prasad	40									
Executive Dir.	0			Х				59,917.	0.	0.
_(2) Bunmi Ishola	1									_
Chairperson	0	Х		Х				0.	0.	0.
<u>(3) Oliva Abtahi</u>										
Board Member	0	Х						0.	0.	0.
(4) Lisa Bevams	5	v		v				0	0	0
Treasurer	0	Х		Х				0.	0.	0.
Chris_Aguilar_Garcia Vice Chair		Х		Х				0.	0.	0.
(6) Manual Aragon	3	Λ		Λ				0.	0.	0.
Board Member	0	Х						0.	0.	0.
(7) Deidre Dumpson	1									
Secretary	0	Х		Х				0.	0.	0.
(8) Jenna Nishimura	1									
Board Member	0	Х						0.	0.	0.
(9)		-								
(10)										
(11)										
(12)										
(13)										
(14)										
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Part VII Section A. Officers, Directors, Tr		hey	Em	<u>סוס</u> (0	-	es, a	anc	a Hignest Com	pensated Emp	loyee	S (com	tinued)
	(B)											
(A) Name and title	Average hours	box, unless person is both an							(E) Reportable	<b>F</b> -4	(F)	
Name and the	per week		cer and a director/truste					compensation from the organization (W-2/1099-	compensation from related organizations (W-2/1099-		of other pensation	
	(list any hours for	ndivi pr dir	nstitu	Officer	(ey e	lighe mplc	Former	(W-2/1099- MISC/1099-NEC)	(W-2/1099- MISC/1099-NEC)	the	e organiza and relate	tion
	related organiza	ndividual trustee or director	nstitutional trust	ę	Key employee	st co iyee	er				rganizatio	
	- tions below	` trus	al tru		yee	mpe						
	dotted line)	ee	stee			Highest compensated employee						
						ä						
<u>(15)</u>												
(16)												
(17)												
<u>(18)</u>												
(10)												
<u>(19)</u>		-										
(20)												
(21)												
(22)												
(23)												
		-										
(24)												
(25)												
1 b Subtotal							•	59,917.	0.			0.
c Total from continuation sheets to Part VII, Sect				· · · ·			•	0.	0.			0.
d Total (add lines 1b and 1c)							•	59,917.	0.			0.
2 Total number of individuals (including but not limite	d to those	listed	abov	ve) v	who	recei	ved	more than \$100,00	0 of reportable com	pensati	on	
from the organization <b>b</b> ()												
											Yes	No
3 Did the organization list anyformer officer, dire on line 1a? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule J for su	ctor, trust <i>ch indivia</i>	ee, ke <i>lual</i>	ey en	npl	oye	e, or	hig	hest compensate	d employee	3		X
4 For any individual listed on line 1a, is the sum												
the organization and related organizations grea	ater than \$	150,0	00?/	lf 'Y	'es,'	' com	ple	te Schedule J for		4		v
											_	X
5 Did any person listed on line 1a receive or accr for services rendered to the organization?/f 'Ye	s,' comple	nsati ete Sc	hedi	ule	J fo	y unr or suc	ch p	erson		5		Х
Section B. Independent Contractors												
1 Complete this table for your five highest compo- compensation from the organization. Report compe	nsated in	the ca	nder alend	nt c dar y	onti year	endir	rs ti ng w	nat received more with or within the or	ganization's tax yea	r.		
(A) Name and business ad				-			-	(B)		•	(C)	
Name and business ad	dress							Description	of services	Com	peńsati	on
2 Total number of independent contractors (including		nited to	o tho	se	liste	d abo	ve)	who received more	than			
\$100,000 of compensation from the organizatio	<b>n►</b> 0											
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		(A) Total revenue	(B) Related or exempt function revenue	(C) Unrelated business revenue	(D) Revenue excluded fro under secti 512-514
3	1 a Federated campaigns 1 a				
5	b Membership dues 1 b				
č	c Fundraising events 1 c				
	d Related organizations 1 d				
5	e Government grants (contributions) 1 e <u>115,000</u> . f All other contributions, gifts, grants, and				
D	similar amounts not included above. 1f 206, 343.				
5	g Noncash contributions included in lines 1a-1f 1g 84, 961.				
	h Total. Add lines 1a-1f	321,343.			
T	Business Code	521, 545.			
	2a [margins.]	39,974.	39,974.		
	<pre>b #Margins Bookselling</pre>	625.	625.		
	c				
	a				
	ef All other program service revenue				
	g Total. Add lines 2a-2f	40,599.			
+	3 Investment income (including dividends, interest, and	40,399.			
	other similar amounts)				
	4 Income from investment of tax-exempt bond proceeds ►				
	5 Royalties  (i) Real (ii) Personal				
e	(i) Real (ii) Personal				
	b Less: rental expenses 6b				
	c Rental income or (loss) 6c				
	d Net rental income or (loss)				
	7 a Gross amount from (i) Securities (ii) Other				
	sales of assets other than inventory 7 a				
	b Less: cost or other basis				
	and sales expenses 7b 7c				
	c Gain or (los\$)  7c				
	8 a Gross income from fundraising events				
	(not including \$ of contributions reported on line 1c).				
	See Part IV, line 18				
	b Less: direct expenses 8b				
	c Net income or (loss) from fundraising events►				
	9 a Gross income from gaming activities. See Part IV, line 19				
	b Less: direct expenses 9b				
	c Net income or (loss) from gaming activities ►				
1	10 a Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances				
	b Less: cost of goods sold 10b				
ļ	c Net income or (loss) from sales of inventory►				
-	Business Code				
3	h				
Ş	~ c				
	11a b c d All other revenue				
1	e Total. Add lines 11a-11d►				

#### 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. (C) (D) (B) (A) Do not include amounts reported on lines 6b, 7b, 8b, 9b, and 10b of Part VIII. Total expenses Program service Management and Fundraising expenses expenses general expenses Grants and other assistance to domestic organizations and domestic governments. See Part IV, line 21 ..... Grants and other assistance to domestic 2 individuals. See Part IV, line 22 ..... Grants and other assistance to foreign 3 organizations, foreign governments, and for-eign individuals. See Part IV, lines 15 and 16. Δ Benefits paid to or for members..... Compensation of current officers, directors, 5 trustees, and key employees ..... 59,917 53,925. 5,992 0. Compensation not included above to 6 disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)) and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B)..... 0 0 0 0. 7 Other salaries and wages..... 27,664 27,664 Pension plan accruals and contributions 8 (include section 401(k) and 403(b) employer contributions)..... Other employee benefits ..... 9 550 550 10 Payroll taxes. 233 3,233 3, Fees for services (nonemployees): 11 a Management..... 1,675 1,675 b Legal..... c Accounting..... 3,438. 3,438 d Lobbying..... e Professional fundraising services. See Part IV, line 17 f Investment management fees..... Other. (If line 11g amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column g (A), amount, list line 11g expenses on Schedule 0.). 12 Advertising and promotion ..... 26. 26. Office expenses. 3,761. 13 3,761 Information technology..... 14 Royalties ..... 15 Occupancy..... 16 17 Travel 200 200 Payments of travel or entertainment 18 expenses for any federal, state, or local public officials Conferences, conventions, and meetings... 19 20 Interest..... 350. 350. Payments to affiliates ..... 21 22 Depreciation, depletion, and amortization ... 23 Insurance..... 568. 568. 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 [margins.] Project \_\_\_\_ 180,384 180,384 b [margins.] Project (InKind) 54,216 54,216 52,579 52,579 c <u>Community Engagement Project</u> <u>d #Margins\_Bookselling\_\_\_\_</u> 29,253 29,253 e All other expenses ..... -22,949. -23,207. 258 25 Total functional expenses. Add lines 1 through 24e . . 47,715. 394,865. 347,150. 0. 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 ► if following

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	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
-	Cash – non-interest-bearing	25,667.	1	74,211
1	2 Savings and temporary cash investments		2	
1	3 Pledges and grants receivable, net		3	
4	4 Accounts receivable, net		4	
ļ	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		5	
	5 Loans and other receivables from other disqualified persons (as defined under			
	section 4958(f)(1)), and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B)		6	
	7 Notes and loans receivable, net		7	
	3 Inventories for sale or use		8	
D D	<ul> <li>Prepaid expenses and deferred charges.</li> </ul>		9	
2 <b>X</b> 1			5	
	0a Land, buildings, and equipment: cost or other basis. Complete Part VI of Schedule D		10	
	b Less: accumulated depreciation 10 b		10 c	
1			11	
1:	2 Investments – other securities. See Part IV, line 11		12	
1			13	
14	5		14	
1	5 Other assets. See Part IV, line 11	40.	15	
10		25,707.	16	74,211
1			17	
1			18	
1			19	
2			20	
2 0			21	
2 2 2	2 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		22	
2			23	82,284
2			24	
2	5 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	1,199.	25	342
2	6 Total liabilities. Add lines 17 through 25	1,199.	26	82,626
sec	Organizations that follow FASB ASC 958, check here ► X and complete lines 27, 28, 32, and 33.			
		24 500	27	_0 /15
		24,508.	28	-8,415
			20	
	Organizations that do not follow FASB ASC 958, check here ► and complete lines 29 through 33.			
5 2	9 Capital stock or trust principal, or current funds		29	
2 3			30	
3			31	
<b>X</b> 3	F	24,508.	32	-8,415
3		25,707.	33	74,211
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Par	rt 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	3	61,9	942.
2	Total expenses (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25).		2		94,8	
3	Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 2 from line 1.		3		32,9	
4	Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (must equal Part X, line 32, column (A))	[	4		24,5	
5	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments.	[	5			
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 Q).		9			0.
10	Net assets or fund balances at end of year. Combine lines 3 through 9 (must equal Part X, line 32,					
	column (B)).		10		-8,4	115.
Par	rt XII Financial Statements and Reporting					
	Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part XII					🗌
					Yes	No
1	Accounting method used to prepare the Form 990: X Cash Accrual Other					
	If the organization changed its method of accounting from a prior year or checked 'Other,' explain on Schedule O.					
2 a	a Were the organization's financial statements compiled or reviewed by an independent accountant?…			2 a		Х
	If 'Yes,' check a box below to indicate whether the financial statements for the year were compiled or separate basis, consolidated basis, or both:	eviewe	d on a			
	Separate basis Consolidated basis Both consolidated and separate basis					
Ł	b Were the organization's financial statements audited by an independent accountant?			2 b		Х
	If 'Yes,' check a box below to indicate whether the financial statements for the year were audited on a basis, consolidated basis, or both: Separate basis Consolidated basis Both consolidated and separate basis	separat	te			
C	c If 'Yes' to line 2a or 2b, does the organization have a committee that assumes responsibility for oversight of the review, or compilation of its financial statements and selection of an independent accountant?	audit,		2 c		
	If the organization changed either its oversight process or selection process during the tax year, explain on Schedule O.					
	a As a result of a federal award, was the organization required to undergo an audit or audits as set forth in the Sin Audit Act and OMB Circular A-133?			3 a		Х
k	b If 'Yes,' did the organization undergo the required audit or audits? If the organization did not undergo the require					
	or audits, explain why on Schedule O and describe any steps taken to undergo such audits	<u></u>		3 b		
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# Public Charity Status and Public Support

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

► Attach to Form 990 or Form 990 E7

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Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service	Go to <i>www.irs.gov/Fo</i>	rm990 for instructions	Inspection				
Name of the organization					Employer identifica	tion number	
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						is part.) See instru	ctions.
<u> </u>	•		(For lines 1 through 12		-	•	
		,	nurches described in sec		b)(1)(A)(	ï).	
			ach Schedule E (Form	•••			
	•		nization described ine				
4 A medical re name, city, a	-	ation operated in con	junction with a hospita	descri	bed 159ec	tion 170(b)(1)(A)(iii). Ei	nter the hospital's
5 An organizat section 170(	ion operated fo b)(1)(A)(iv). (Co	r the benefit of a collomplete Part II.)	ege or university owne	d or ope	erated b	y a governmental unit o	described in
	ate, or local gov	ernment or governme	ental unit described in	ection 1	70(b)(1)	)(A)(v).	
7 X An organization 17	on that normally r 0(b)(1)(A)(vi).(	receives a substantial p Complete Part II.)	art of its support from a	governm	ental uni	it or from the general pub	lic described
8 A communit	∕ trust describe	d insection 170(b)(1)(	A)(vi). (Complete Part I	l.)			
						on with a land-grant colle and state of the college or	
from activitie investment i	es related to its ncome and unre	exempt functions, su	bject to certain except ble income (less sectio	ions: an	ıd (2) no	more than 33-1/3% of	ees, and gross receipts its support from gross y the organization after
11 An organizat	ion organized a	ind operated exclusiv	ely to test for public s	afety. Se	esection	n 509(a)(4).	
12 An organizat or more pub lines 12a thr	ion organized a licly supported ough 12d that d	nd operated exclusiv organizations descril escribes the type of s	vely for the benefit of, t bed isection 509(a)(1) of supporting organizatio	o perfor or section n and co	m the fu on 509(a omplete	Inctions of, or to carry )(2). See section 509(a) lines 12e, 12f, and 12g	out the purposes of on )(3). Check the box on
a Type I. A sup organization(s	orting organizati	on operated, supervise gularly appoint or elect	d, or controlled by its sur	ported o	organizat	ion(s), typically by giving he supporting organization	the supported
management	pporting organi of the supporting ete Part IV, Sect	organization vested in	controlled in connecti the same persons that c	on with ontrol or	its supp manage	orted organization(s), the supported organizati	by having control or on(s). You
organization	(s) (see instruct	tions).You must comp	olete Part IV, Sections	A, D, an	d E.	onally integrated with, its s	
d Type III non-f functionally instructions	unctionally integ integrated. The You must com	rated. A supporting org organization general plete Part IV, Section	anization operated in co ly must satisfy a distril s A and D, and Part V.	nnection oution re	with its s equirem	supported organization(s) ent and an attentivenes	that is not ss requirement (see
e Check this b	ox if the organia	zation received a writ		the IRS		is a Type I, Type II, Typ	
		organizations					
		on about the support					
(i) Name of supported	organization	(ii) EIN	(iii) Type of organization (described on lines 1-10 above (see instructions))	organiza in your g	s the tion listed joverning ment?	(v) Amount of monetary support (see instructions)	(vi) Amount of other support (see instructions)
				Yes	No		
(A)							
(B)							
(C)							
(D)							
(E)							

Sec	tion A. Public Support						
Cale begi	ndar year (or fiscal year nning in) ►	(a) 2017	(b) 2018	(c) 2019	(d) 2020	(e) 2021	(f) Total
1	Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received. (Do not include any 'unusual grants.')				57,380.	276,981.	334,361.
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	0.	0.	0.	57,380.	276,981.	334,361.
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).						0.
6	Public support. Subtract line 5 from line 4.						334,361.
Sec	tion B. Total Support						
Cale begi	ndar year (or fiscal year nning in) ►	(a) 2017	(b) 2018	(c) 2019	(d) 2020	(e) 2021	(f) Total
7	Amounts from line 4	0.	0.	0.	57,380.	276,981.	334,361.
8	Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties, and income from similar sources						0.
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 VI.)						0.
	Total support. Add lines 7 through 10						334,361.
12	Gross receipts from related acti	vities, etc. (see in	structions)			12	0.
13	First 5 years. If the Form 990 is organization, check this box and	for the organization	on's first, second,	third, fourth, or f	ifth tax year as a	section 501(c)(3)	►X
Sec	tion C. Computation of Pul	blic Support P	ercentage				
	Public support percentage for 2						%
15	Public support percentage from	2020 Schedule A	, Part II, line 14			15	%
16a	33-1/3% support test-2021. If the and stop here. The organization						
b	33-1/3% support test-2020. If the and stop here. The organization	ne organization die n qualifies as a pu	d not check a box blicly supported o	on line 13 or 16a	, and line 15 is 3	3-1/3% or more, cl	heck this box ·····►
17a	10%-facts-and-circumstances te or more, and if the organization the organization meets the facts	meets the facts-a	ind-circumstance	s test, check this	box and top here	. Explain in Part V	/I how
	10%-facts-and-circumstances te or more, and if the organization organization meets the facts-an	meets the facts-a d-circumstances	ind-circumstances test. The organiza	s test, check this ition qualifies as a	box andstop here a publicly suppo	<ul> <li>Explain in Part V rted organization.</li> </ul>	/I how the ►
18	Private foundation. If the organi	zation did not che	eck a box on line	13, 16a, 16b, 17a,	or 17b, check thi	s box and see ins	structions ►

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Par	t III Support Schedule for (Complete only if you chec fails to qualify under the te	ked the box on	line 10 of Part I o	r if the organization	(a)(2) on failed to qualif	y under Part II. If th	ne organization
Sec	tion A. Public Support		, prodoc comprot				
Calend	lar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ►	(a) 2017	(b) 2018	(c) 2019	(d) 2020	(e) 2021	(f) Total
1	Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received. (Do not include any 'unusual grants.')						
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						
3	Gross receipts from activities that are not an unrelated trade or business under section 513						
4	Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf						
5	The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge						
	Total. Add lines 1 through 5 Amounts included on lines 1, 2, and 3 received from disqualified persons						
b	Amounts included on lines 2 and 3 received from other than disqualified persons that exceed the greater of \$5,000 or 1% of the amount on line 13 for the year						
с	Add lines 7a and 7b						
8	Public support. (Subtract line 7c from line 6.)						
Sec	tion B. Total Support						
Calen	dar year (or fiscal year beginning in) 🕨	(a) 2017	(b) 2018	(c) 2019	(d) 2020	(e) 2021	(f) Total
•	Amounts from line 6						
10a	Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties, and income from similar sources						
b	Unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 taxes) from businesses acquired after June 30, 1975.						
С	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.)						
	Total support. (Add lines 9, 10c, 11, and 12.)						
14	First 5 years. If the Form 990 is f organization, check this box and	or the organizat stop here	ion's first, second	l, third, fourth, or	fifth tax year as a	a section 501(c)(3)	►
Sec	tion C. Computation of Pub	lic Support F	Percentage				
	Public support percentage for 20	•		•			010
10	Public support percentage from	2020 Schodulo /	A Part III line 15				010

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17	Investment income percentage for2021 (line 10c, column (f), divided by line 13, column (f))	17	010
18	Investment income percentage from2020 Schedule A, Part III, line 17	18	0/0

20 Private foundation. If the organization did not check a box on line 14, 19a, or 19b, check this box and see instructions.....

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Part IV Supporting Organizations (Complete only if you checked a box in line 12 on 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.	1		
2	Did the organization have any supported organization that does not have an IRS determination of status under section 509(a)(1) or (2)? <i>If 'Yes,' explain in Part VI how the organization determined that the supported organization was described in section 509(a)(1) or (2).</i>	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.	3a		
h	Did the organization confirm that each supported organization qualified under section 501(c)(4), (5), or (6) and			
IJ	satisfied the public support tests under section 509(a)(2)?// 'Yes,' describe in Part VI when and how the organization made the determination	3b		
с	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.	3c		
4a	Was any supported organization not organized in the United States ('foreign supported organization')# 'Yes' and if you checked box 12a or 12b in Part I, answer lines 4b and 4c below.	4a		
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	41-		
	or supervised by or in connection with its supported organizations	4b		
С	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 organization are to be foreign supported organized and a support of the foreign suppor	4-		
	all support to the foreign supported organization was used exclusively for section 170(c)(2)(B) purposes.	4c		
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 inPart 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 putporties of the organization of a constituted, or removed; (iii) 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?	5b		
С	Substitutions only. Was the substitution the result of an event beyond the organization's control?	5c		
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 <i>if 'Yes,' provide detail in Part VI.</i>	6		
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?// 'Yes,' complete Part I of Schedule L (Form 990).	7		
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).	8		
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.	9a		
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? <i>If 'Yes,' provide detail in Part VI.</i>	9b		
С	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 <i>if 'Yes,' provide detail in Part VI.</i>	9c		
10a	as 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)// 'Yes,' answer line 10b below.	10a		
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.)	1 <b>0</b> b		

Part IV	Supporting Organizations (continued)			
			Yes	No
	the organization accepted a gift or contribution from any of the following persons?			
a A pe	rson who directly or indirectly controls, either alone or together with persons described on lines 11b and 11c below, governing body of a supported organization?			
the g	governing body of a supported organization?	11a		
b A fa	mily member of a person described on line 11a above?	11b		
C A 35%	% controlled entity of a person described on line 11a or 11b abovk?'Yes' to line 11a, 11b, or 11c, provide detai Piart VI.	11c		

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#### Section B. Type I Supporting Organizations

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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?// No,' describe in Part VI how the supported organization had more than one supported organization, describe how the powers to appoint and/or remove officers, directors, or trustees were the describe how the powers to appoint and/or remove officers, directors, or trustees are the power to require the powers to appoint and/or remove officers, directors, or trustees are the powers to appoint and/or remove officers, directors, or trustees are the powers to appoint and/or remove officers, directors, or trustees are the powers to appoint and/or remove officers, directors, or trustees are the powers to appoint and/or remove officers, directors, or trustees are the powers of the powers to appoint and/or remove officers, directors, or trustees are the powers of the powers to appoint and/or remove officers, directors, or trustees are the powers of the powers to appoint and/or remove officers, directors, or trustees are the powers of the powers to appoint and/or remove officers, directors, or trustees are the powers of the powers of the powers to appoint and the powers of the		
	were allocated among the supported organizations and what conditions or restrictions, if any, applied to such powers during the taxyear.	1	
2	Did the organization operate for the benefit of any supported organization other than the supported organization(s)		

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 organization1*f* '*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)?/f '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).	1	İ İ	

#### 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?	1		
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 <i>If 'No,' explain in Part VI how the organization maintained a close and continuous working relationship with the supported organization(s).</i>			
	the organization maintained a close and continuous working relationship with the supported organization(s).	2		
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? <i>If 'Yes,' describe in Part VI the role the organization's supported organizations played</i>			
	in this regard.	3		

#### 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 The organization satisfied the Activities Test. Complete line 2 below.
  - b The organization is the parent of each of its supported organizations *Complete line 3 below.*
  - c 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.
- 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 *?* (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.*

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Yes

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Part V

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1 Check here if the organization satisfied the Integral Part Test as a qualifying true instructions. All other Type III non-functionally integrated supporting organization			(B) Current Year
Section A – Adjusted Net Income (A) Prior Year			(optional)
1 Net short-term capital gain	1		
2 Recoveries of prior-year distributions	2		
3 Other gross income (see instructions)	3		
4 Add lines 1 through 3.	4		
5 Depreciation and depletion	5		
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)	6		
7 Other expenses (see instructions)	7		
8 Adjusted Net Income (subtract lines 5, 6, and 7 from line 4)	8		
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):	t		
a Average monthly value of securities	1a		
b Average monthly cash balances	1b		
c Fair market value of other non-exempt-use assets	1c		
d Total (add lines 1a, 1b, and 1c)	1d		
e Discount claimed for blockage or other factors (explain in detail in Part VI):			
2 Acquisition indebtedness applicable to non-exempt-use assets	2		
3 Subtract line 2 from line 1d.	3		
4 Cash deemed held for exempt use. Enter 0.015 of line 3 (for greater amount, see instructions).	4		
5 Net value of non-exempt-use assets (subtract line 4 from line 3)	5		
6 Multiply line 5 by 0.035.	6		
7 Recoveries of prior-year distributions	7		
8 Minimum Asset Amount (add line 7 to line 6)	8		
Section C – Distributable Amount			Current Year
1 Adjusted net income for prior year (from Section A, line 8, column A)	1		
2 Enter 0.85 of line 1.	2		
3 Minimum asset amount for prior year (from Section B, line 8, column A)	3		
4 Enter greater of line 2 or line 3.	4		
5 Income tax imposed in prior year	5		
6 Distributable Amount. Subtract line 5 from line 4, unless subject to emergency temporary reduction (see instructions).	6		

Check here if the current year is the organization's first as a non-functionally integrated Type III supporting organization (see instructions). 7

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Pa	rt V Type III Non-Functionally Integrated 509(a)(3) Su	upporting Organiza	tions <i>(continue</i>	rd)	
Sec	tion D – Distributions				Current Year
1	Amounts paid to supported organizations to accomplish exempt p	purposes		1	
2	Amounts paid to perform activity that directly furthers exempt purposes in excess of income from activity	of supported organization	IS,	2	
3	Administrative expenses paid to accomplish exempt purposes of	supported organization	s	3	
4	Amounts paid to acquire exempt-use assets	•• •		4	
5	Qualified set-aside amounts (prior IRS approval required- provide	e details inPart VI)		5	
6	Other distributions (describe inPart VI). See instructions.			6	
7	Total annual distributions. Add lines 1 through 6.			7	
8	Distributions to attentive supported organizations to which the organization Part VI). See instructions.	tion is responsive (provide	e details	8	
9	Distributable amount for 2021 from Section C, line 6			9	
10	Line 8 amount divided by line 9 amount			10	
Sec	tion E – Distribution Allocations (see instructions)	(i) Excess Distributions	(ii) Underdistributio Pre-2021	ons	(iii) Distributable Amount for 2021
1	Distributable amount for 2021 from Section C, line 6				
	Underdistributions, if any, for years prior to 2021 (reasonable cause required – <i>explain in Part VI</i> ). See instructions.				
3	Excess distributions carryover, if any, to 2021				
	9 From 2016				
	• From 2017				
	From 2018				
	From 2019				
	∋ From 2020				
	f Total of lines 3a through 3e				
9	Applied to underdistributions of prior years				
I	n Applied to 2021 distributable amount				
	i Carryover from 2016 not applied (see instructions)				
	j Remainder. Subtract lines 3g, 3h, and 3i from line 3f.				
4	Distributions for 2021 from Section D, line 7: \$				
ć	Applied to underdistributions of prior years				
-	• Applied to 2021 distributable amount				
	Remainder. Subtract lines 4a and 4b from line 4.				
5	Remaining underdistributions for years prior to 2021, if any. Subtract lines 3g and 4a from line 2. For result greater than zero, <i>explain in Part VI</i> . See instructions.				
6	Remaining underdistributions for 2021. Subtract lines 3h and 4b from line 1. For result greater than zero, <i>explain in Part VI</i> . See instructions.				
7	Excess distributions carryover to 2022. Add lines 3j and 4c.				
8	Breakdown of line 7:				
i	Excess from 2017				
	Excess from 2018				
	Excess from 2019				
(	Excess from 2020				
	Excess from 2021				

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Schedule B		OMB No. 1545-0047
(Form 990)	Schedule of Contributors	2021
Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service	<ul> <li>Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-PF.</li> <li>Go to www.irs.gov/Form990 for the latest information.</li> </ul>	2021
Name of the organization	Employer i	dentification number
The Word, A St	brytelling Sanctuary Inc 83-16	68794
Organization type (che	ck one):	
Filers of:	Section:	
Form 990 or 990-EZ	X 501(c)( 3 ) (enter number) organization	
	4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust not treated as a private foundation	
	527 political organization	
Form 990-PF	501(c)(3) exempt private foundation	
	4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust treated as a private foundation	
	501(c)(3) taxable private foundation	

Check if your organization is covered by the General Rule or a Special Rule. Note: Only a section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) organization can check boxes for both the General Rule and a Special Rule. See instructions.

#### General Rule

For an organization filing Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF that received, during the year, contributions totaling \$5,000 Х or more (in money or property) from any one contributor. Complete Parts I and II. See instructions for determining a contributor's total contributions.

#### Special Rules

For an organization described in section 501(c)(3) filing Form 990 or 990-EZ that met the 33-1/3% support test of the
regulations under sections 509(a)(1) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi), that checked Schedule A (Form 990), Part II, line 13, 16a, or
16b, and that received from any one contributor, during the year, total contributions of the greater of \$5,000; or
(2) 2% of the amount on (i) Form 990, Part VIII, line 1h; or (ii) Form 990-EZ, line 1. Complete Parts I and II.

For an organization described in section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) filing Form 990 or 990-EZ that received from any one contributor, during the year, total contributions of more than \$1,00@xclusivelytor religious, charitable, scientific, literary, or educational purposes, or for the prevention of cruelty to children or animals. Complete Parts I (entering 'N/A' in column (b) instead of the contributor name and address), II, and III.

For an organization described in section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) filing Form 990 or 990-EZ that received from any one contributor, during the year, contribution exclusively for religious, charitable, etc., purposes, but no such contributions totaled more than \$1,000. If this box is checked, enter here the total contributions that were received during the year for an exclusivelyreligious, charitable, etc., purpose. Don't complete any of the parts unless the General Rule applies to this organization because it received nonexclusively religious, charitable, etc., contributions totaling \$5,000 or more during the year..... > \$

Caution: An organization that isn't covered by the General Rule and/or the Special Rules doesn't file Schedule B (Form 990), but it must answer 'No' on Part IV, line 2, of its Form 990; or check the box on line H of its Form 990-EZ or on its Form 990-PF, Part I, line 2, to certify that it doesn't meet the filing requirements of Schedule B (Form 990).

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Part I Contributors (see instructions). Use duplicate copies of Part I if additional space is needed.					

	Contributors (see instructions). Use duplicate copies of Part I if addit	ional space is needed.	
(a) No.	(b) Name, address, and ZIP + 4	(c) Total contributions	(d) Type of contribution
1	National Endowment of the Arts		Person X
	400 7th Steet SW	\$100,000.	Payroll Noncash
	Washington, DC 20506		(Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
(a) No.	(b) Name, address, and ZIP + 4	(c) Total contributions	(d) Type of contribution
2	DenverArts&Venue:City&Cty-Denver		Person X
	1345 Champa Street	\$15,625.	Payroll Noncash
	Denver, CO_80204-2107		(Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
(a) No.	(b) Name, address, and ZIP + 4	(c) Total contributions	(d) Type of contribution
3	National Book_Fndtn(Literary_Arts)		Person X
	90 Broad Street, Suite 604	\$15,000.	Payroll Noncash
	New York, NY 10004-3329		(Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
(a) No.	(b) Name, address, and ZIP + 4	(c) Total contributions	(d) Type of contribution
4	ColoradoTrust:Arts,Cultural&Athlet		Person X
4	ColoradoTrust:Arts,Cultural&Athlet	\$ <u>18,291.</u>	Person X Payroll Noncash
4	[	\$ <u>\$18,291.</u>	Payroll
4 (a) No.	1600 Sherman Street	 \$18,291.  Total contributions	Payroll Noncash (Complete Part II for
	1600       Sherman       Street         Denver,       CO_80203-1604       (b)	(c) Total contributions	Payroll      Noncash      (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)     Type of contribution     Person
(a) No.	1600         Sherman         Street           Denver,         CO         80203-1604           (b)         Name, address, and ZIP + 4	C – – – (c) Total contributions	Payroll Noncash (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.) (d) Type of contribution
(a) No.	1600 Sherman Street         Denver, CO 80203-1604         (b)         Name, address, and ZIP + 4         Community First Foundation	Contributions	Payroll
(a) No.	1600 Sherman Street         Denver, CO 80203-1604         (b)         Name, address, and ZIP + 4         Community First Foundation         5855 Wadswortth Bypass, Unit A	Contributions	Payroll
(a) No. 5	1600 Sherman Street         Denver, CO 80203-1604         (b)         Name, address, and ZIP + 4         Community First Foundation         5855 Wadswortth Bypass, Unit A         Arvada , CO 80003-5462         (b)		Payroll
(a) No. 5 No.	1600 Sherman Street         Denver, CO 80203-1604         (b)         Name, address, and ZIP + 4         Community First Foundation         5855 Wadswortth Bypass, Unit A         Arvada , CO 80003-5462         Name, address, and ZIP + 4		Payroll
(a) No. 5 No.	1600 Sherman Street         Denver, CO 80203-1604         (b)         Name, address, and ZIP + 4         Community First Foundation         5855 Wadswortth Bypass, Unit A         Arvada , CO 80003-5462         Name, address, and ZIP + 4         Pavlos Stavropoulos	(c) Total contributions	Payroll

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(a) No.	(b) Name, address, and ZIP + 4	(c) Total contributions	(d) Type of contribution
7	Poetry Foundation 61_West Superior Street Chicago, IL 60654-5457	\$5,000.	Person X Payroll Noncash (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
(a) No.	(b) Name, address, and ZIP + 4	(c) Total contributions	(d) Type of contribution
8	Rose Community Foundation 4500 Cherry Creek Dr S,Ste 900 Denver, CO 80246-1546	\$ <u>5,000.</u>	Person X Payroll Noncash (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)

	Denver, CO 80246-1546		(Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
(a) No.	(b) Name, address, and ZIP + 4	(c) Total contributions	(d) Type of contribution
<u>9_</u> _	Bonfils-Stanton Foundation 1033 Sante Fe Drive Denver, CO_80204-3950	\$10,000.	Person X Payroll Noncash (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
(a) No.	(b) Name, address, and ZIP + 4	(c) Total contributions	(d) Type of contribution
<u>10</u> _	<u>Chinook Foundation</u> 1031 33rd St, Suite 237 Denver, CO 80205-2770	\$ <u>5,000.</u>	Person X Payroll Noncash (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
(a) No.	(b) Name, address, and ZIP + 4	(c) Total contributions	(d) Type of contribution
		\$	Person
(a) No.	(b) Name, address, and ZIP + 4	(c) Total contributions	(d) Type of contribution
		\$	Person

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Part II Noncash Property (see instructions). Use duplicate copies of Part II if additional space is needed.

Part II Noncas	on Property (see instructions). Use duplicate copies of Part II if ac	unional space is needed.	
(a) No. from Part I	(b) Description of noncash property given	(c) FMV (or estimate) (See instructions.)	(d) Date received
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(a) No. from Part I	(b) Description of noncash property given	(c) FMV (or estimate) (See instructions.)	(d) Date received
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(a) No. from Part I	(b) Description of noncash property given	(c) FMV (or estimate) (See instructions.)	(d) Date received
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(a) No. from Part I	(b) Description of noncash property given	(c) FMV (or estimate) (See instructions.)	(d) Date received
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(a) No. from Part I	(b) Description of noncash property given	(c) FMV (or estimate) (See instructions.)	(d) Date received
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(a) No. from Part I	(b) Description of noncash property given	(c) FMV (or estimate) (See instructions.)	(d) Date received
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Part III	Exclusively religious, charitable, et or (10) that total more than \$1,000 for the the following line entry. For organizations of contributions of\$1,000 or less for the year. Use duplicate copies of Part III if additional	he year from any one contrib completing Part III, enter the tot (Enter this information once. S	outor. Completal of <i>exclusi</i>	te columns (a) through (e) and <i>rely</i> religious, charitable, etc.,				
(a) No. from Part I	(b) Purpose of gift	(c) Use of gift		(d) Description of how gift is held				
	N/A							
	(e) Transfer of gift							
	Transferee's name, addres	s, and ZIP + 4	Rela	ationship of transferor to transferee				
(a) No. from Part I	(b) Purpose of gift	(c) Use of gift		(d) Description of how gift is held				
	(e) Transfer of gift							
	Transferee's name, addres			tionship of transferor to transferee				
(a) No. from Part I	(b) Purpose of gift	(c) Use of gift		(d) Description of how gift is held				
		(e) Transfer of gift						
	Transferee's name, addres			ationship of transferor to transferee				
(a) No. from Part I	(b) Purpose of gift	(c) Use of gift		(d) Description of how gift is held				
	<u> </u>			+				
	Transferee's name, addres	(e) Transfer of gift ransferee's name, address, and ZIP + 4 Relationship of transferor to transferee						
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Depa Interr	rtment of the Treasury al Revenue Service		Attach to Form 990. .gov/Form990 for instructions and				Open to Public Inspection
	of the organization					Employer in	dentification number
The	e Word, A St	orytelling Sanctua	ry Inc				
Der		tions Maintaining Dono	or Advised Funds or Other S	Similar Fund	le or Ace	83-166	8794
Pa	Complete	if the organization ans	swered 'Yes' on Form 990, F	Part IV, line 6	5 01 ACC 6.	ounts.	
	•		(a) Donor advised fun			unds and	other accounts
1	Total number at e	end of year					
2		ontributions to (during year)					
3	Aggregate value of g						
4	Aggregate value	at end of year					
5	are the organizat	ion's property, subject to the	onor advisors in writing that the a e organization's exclusive legal co	ontrol?		· · · · · · · L	Yes No
6	for charitable put	rposes and not for the benef	ors, and donor advisors in writing it of the donor or donor advisor, o	or for any other	r purpose o	conferrin <u>a</u>	Yes No
Pa		tion Easements.			_		
			swered 'Yes' on Form 990, F	,	7.		
I		nservation easements neid b	by the organization (check all that		n of a hist	prically im	portant land area
		natural habitat	ble, recreation of education)				ric structure
		of open space				neu motor	
2	Complete lines 2a	through 2d if the organization h	neld a qualified conservation contribu	ition in the form	of a conser	vation ease	ment on the
	last day of the ta	x year.					
	Total number of	conconnation accoments				leld at the	End of the Tax Year
			ements				
	-		ified historic structure included in				
	d Number of conse	ervation easements included	in (c) acquired after 7/25/06, and	not on a histor	ic		
3	Number of conserv	-	nsferred, released, extinguished, or te			on during th	le
л	tax year ►	where property subject to conse	nution accoment is located b				
- 5				inspection ha	ndling of y	violations	
J	and enforcement	of the conservation easeme	egarding the periodic monitoring, ents it holds?				Yes No
6			inspecting, handling of violations, an				
7	Amount of expense ►\$	es incurred in monitoring, inspe	ecting, handling of violations, and en	forcing conserva	ation easem	ents during	g the year
8	Does each conse and section 170(	ervation easement reported on h(4)(B)(ii)?	on line 2(d) above satisfy the requ	irements of se	ction 1 <b>70(</b> h	i)(4)(B)(i)	Yes No
9	In Part XIII, descr include, if applica conservation eas	able. the text of the footnote	ports conservation easements in i to the organization's financial sta	ts revenue and tements that d	l expense s lescribes tl	statement ne organiz	and balance sheet, and ation's accounting for
Pa	t III Organizat	tions Maintaining Colle	ctions of Art, Historical Tre swered 'Yes' on Form 990, F	asures, or C Part IV, line 8	Other Sin 8.	nilar Ass	ets.
1;	historical treasur	es, or other similar assets h	er FASB ASC 958, not to report in eld for public exhibition, educatio al statements that describes these	on, or research	itement and in furthera	d balance nce of put	sheet works of art, blic service, provide in
ļ	historical treasures following amount	s, or other similar assets held for ts relating to these items:	er FASB ASC 958, to report in its r or public exhibition, education, or res	search in further	ance of pub	lic service,	et works of art, provide the
	.,		line 1				
-	· ·						
	amounts required	d to be reported under FASB	istorical treasures, or other similar a BASC 958 relating to these items: 1				lowing
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3 Using the organization's acquisition							•		
items (check all that apply):	i, accession, a	na otner records,	спеск апу с	of the following that m	lake signi	ficant use of its c	collectio	n	
a Public exhibition		d		exchange program					
b Scholarly research		e	Other						
c Preservation for future gene				41					
4 Provide a description of the organiz Part XIII.	zation's collect	ions and explain n	low they fur	rther the organization	s exempt	purpose in			
5 During the year, did the organiza to be sold to raise funds rather t	ation solicit o than to be ma	r receive donation intained as part	ons of art, of the orga	historical treasures, anization's collection	, or other n?	r similar assets	Yes	Γ	No
Part IV Escrow and Custodia line 9, or reported an	I Arrangem	ents. Comple	ete if the	organization an	iswered	d 'Yes' on Fo	rm 99	0, Pa	rt IV,
1 a Is the organization an agent, true on Form 990, Part X?	stee, custodia	an or other interr	mediary fo	r contributions or o	ther asse	ets not included	Yes	Г	No
b If 'Yes,' explain the arrangement						L		L	
						l l	Amount	t	
c Beginning balance									
d Additions during the year						-			
e Distributions during the year									
f Ending balance							1		
2 a Did the organization include an						-		_	No
b If 'Yes,' explain the arrangement	in Part XIII. C	Check here if the	explanatio	on has been provide	d on Par	t XIII			
Part V Endowment Funds. C	omplete if	the eventiant	lon once	wared 'Ves' on F	0.0		- 10		
Fart V Endowment Funds. C	(a) Current		Prior year	(c) Two years bac		<b>U, Fart IV, III</b> Three years back		our yea	re hack
1 a Beginning of year balance			riiui yeai		K (U)	The years back	(6)1	our yea	15 Dack
b Contributions									
c Net investment earnings, gains, and losses									
d Grants or scholarships									
e Other expenditures for facilities and programs									
f Administrative expenses									
g End of year balance									
2 Provide the estimated percentage	je of the curre	ent year end bala	ance (line 1	lg, column (a)) held	as:				
a Board designated or quasi-endowm	ent 🕨	8							
b Permanent endowment	00								
c Term endowment 🕨	00								
The percentages on lines 2a, 2b, an	d 2c should eq	jual 100%.							
3 a Are there endowment funds not in t	he possession	of the organizatio	on that are h	neld and administered	for the		г		1
organization by:	-	-						Yes	No
(i) Unrelated organizations							3a(i)		
(ii) Related organizations							3a(ii)		
b If 'Yes' on line 3a(ii), are the relation	-		-		•••••		3b		
4 Describe in Part XIII the intended		-	ndowment	tunas.					
Part VI Land, Buildings, and Complete if the organ			on Form	000 Part IV line	11 <sub>2</sub> C	ee Form 990	Dart	Y lir	no 10
•								-	
Description of property		(a) Cost or other (investmen		(b) Cost or other basis (other)	(c) Ac dep	cumulated reciation	(d) E	Book v	alue
1 a Land									
b Buildings									
c Leasehold improvements									
d Equipment									
e Other									
Total. Add lines 1a through 1e. (Colum	nn (d) must ea	qual Form 990, F	Part X, colu	umn (B), line 10c.)	<u></u> .				0.
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Part VII Investments – Other		l 'Yes' on Form 99	N/A 0, Part IV, line 11b. See Form 9	90. Part X. line 12.
(a) Description of security or catego(ynclud		(b) Book value	(c) Method of valuationCost or end-	
(1) Financial derivatives		(-)		
(2) Closely held equity interests				
(3) Other	F			
(A)	+			
(B)				
(C)				
(D)				
(E)				
<u>(F)</u>				
(G)				
(H)				
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part)				
	ization answered		0, Part IV, line 11c. See Form 9	
(a) Description of investme	ent	(b) Book value	(c) Method of valuation:Cost or end	-of-year market value
(1)				
(2)				
(3)				
(4)				
(5)				
(6)				
<u>(7)</u> (8)				
(9)				
(10)				
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part )	(, column (B) line.13.₱			
Part IX Other Assets.		N/A		
Complete if the organ			0, Part IV, line 11d. See Form 9	
(1)	(a) Des	cription		(b) Book value
(1) (2)				
(3)				
(4)				
(5)				
(6)				
(7)				
(8) (9)				
(10)				
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 95	0. Part X. column (B	) line 15.)	•	
Part X Other Liabilities.			ne 11e or 11f. See Form 990, Part X, li	ne 25
1.		ption of liability		(b) Book value
(1) Federal income taxes		·		
(2) Payroll Liabilities				342.
(3)				
(4)				
(5)				
(6) (7)				
(8)				
(9)				· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
(10)				
(11)				
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part )	(, column (B) line 25.)		<b>.</b>	342.

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.

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Part XI Reconciliation of Revenue per Audited Financial Statements With Revenue per I	Return. N/A	
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	
2 Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12:		
a Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments 2 a		
b Donated services and use of facilities 2b		
c Recoveries of prior year grants		
d Other (Describe in Part XIII.)		
e Add lines 2a through 2d	2e	
3 Subtract line 2e from line 1	3	
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 4 a		
b Other (Describe in Part XIII.)		
c Add lines 4a and 4b	4c	
5 Total revenue. Add lines 3 and 4c. (This must equal Form 990, Part I, line 12.).		
Part XII Reconciliation of Expenses per Audited Financial Statements With Expenses per	<b>r Return.</b> N/A	
Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' on Form 990, Part IV, line 12a.		
1 Total expenses and losses per audited financial statements	1	
2 Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part IX, line 25:		
a Donated services and use of facilities		
b Prior year adjustments		
c Other losses		
d Other (Describe in Part XIII.)		
e Add lines 2a through 2d	2e	
3 Subtract line 2e from line 1		
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		
b Other (Describe in Part XIII.) 4b		
c Add lines 4a and 4b	4c	
5 Total expenses. Add lines 3 and 4c. (This must equal Form 990, Part I, line 18.)	5	
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.

#### SCHEDULE M (Form 990)

# **Noncash Contributions**

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Par	tl	Types of Property						
			(a) Check if applicable	(b) Number of contributions or items contributed	(c) Noncash contribution amounts reported on Form 990, Part VIII, line 1g	Methoo noncash co	(d) I of determi ontribution	ning amounts
1	Art -	- Works of art						
2	Art -	- Historical treasures						
3	Art -	- Fractional interests.						
4	Boo	ks and publications						
5	Clot	hing and household goods						
6	Cars	and other vehicles						
7	Boat	s and planes						
8	Intel	lectual property						
9	Secu	rities – Publicly traded						
10	Secu	rities – Closely held stock						
11	Secu	rities – Partnership, LLC, or trust interests						
12	Secu	irities – Miscellaneous						
13	•	ified conservation contribution- pric structures						
14	Qua	ified conservation contribution- Other						
15	Real	estate – Residential						
16	Real	estate – Commercial						
17	Real	estate – Other						
18	Colle	ectibles						
19	Food	l inventory						
		Is and medical supplies						
	-	dermy						
		prical artifacts						
		ntific specimens						
		eological artifacts						
		r► ( <u>ExDir_Salary</u> )		1	24,435.			
26	Othe	r► ( <u>Staff/Supplies</u> )		39				
27	Othe	r► ( <u>Supplies</u> )		1	,			
		r► (Staff-Mentorshp )		47				
29		ber of Forms 8283 received by the organization d	uring the tax		,			
23		nization completed Form 8283, Part V, Done				29	Vaa	Na
							Yes	No
30a		ng the year, did the organization receive by contri						
		ist hold for at least three years from the date					20 -	V
h		xempt purposes for the entire holding period es,' describe the arrangement in Part II.	Li				30 a	X

31 Does the organization have a gift acceptance policy that requires the review of any nonstandard contributions?... 32a Does the organization hire or use third parties or related organizations to solicit, process, or sell noncash

contributions?...... b If 'Yes,' describe in Part II.

33 If the organization didn't report an amount in column (c) for a type of property for which column (a) is checked, describe in Part II.

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 Part II
 Supplemental Information. Provide the information required by Part I, lines 30b, 32b, and 33, and whether the organization is reporting in Part I, column (b), the number of contributions, the umber of items received, or a combination of both. Also complete this part for any additional information.
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#### Form 990, Part III, Line 4a - Program Service Accomplishments

[margins.] Literary Conference + Book Festival: A biannual space where the dream of an inclusive literary future is made into a micro-reality. The conference exists to connect people to each other and build intentional community among other diverse people, connect publishing industry leaders to talent, and share practical and substantive knowledge with attendees. In 2022 the conference and festival was held in person at the McNichols Center in downtown Denver, and online on August 5-7, 2022. The Word was able to curate an accessible and affordable public celebration for Denver-metro booklovers while also still reaching booklovers and creatives across the United States and numerous countries through our virtual programming. The conference also includes the presentation of three literary awards, a book fair, and, in-development, the 2023 launch of [center.], a literary magazine that will showcase the work of writers and creatives who participate in the conference.

#### Form 990, Part III, Line 4d - Other Program Services Description

Editor-Writer Mentorship: The Editor-Writer Mentorship pairs upcoming writers from marginalized backgrounds with experienced book publishing editors for a year-long mentor experience. The Word's editor mentors uniquely provide substantive feedback and help writers prepare a strong manuscript for successful submission to agents and editors. Past categories include picture book, middle grade, young adult, adult fiction and nonfiction, romance, poetry and science fiction and fantasy to name a few. Since its inception six (6) mentees have gone on to publish manuscripts and an additional two (2) mentees have signed with literary agents and are preparing for the submission process.

Coalition Building Programs: The Word works to collaborate with other literary organizations and individuals to strengthen the leadership from within communities BAA For Paperwork Reduction Act Notice, see the Instructions for Form 990 or 990-EZ. TEEA4901L 08/10/21 Schedule O (Form 990) 2021

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#### Form 990, Part III, Line 4d - Other Program Services Description

of marginalized creatives. Examples include coalition work connecting the leadership of other literary conferences and festivals, and bi-monthly group meetings for leaders of similar literary organizations.

BIPOC Bookseller Award: An annual award and ceremony, the only of its kind currently in the U.S., celebrating three booksellers in the areas of activism, innovation and leadership, whose dedication to indie bookstores, and their BIPOC colleagues and communities, has positively influenced the industry.

### Form 990, Part VI, Line 7a - How Members or Shareholders Elect Governing Body

The Board of Directors approves its members from nominations made by the organization and the community.

### Form 990, Part VI, Line 7b - Decisions of Governing Body Approval by Members or Shareholders

The Board of Directors approves changes in policy, budgets, financials reports as well as monitors programs

# Form 990, Part VI, Line 11b - Form 990 Review Process

The Board of Directors will review and approve Form 990 prior to filing with the IRS.

#### Form 990, Part VI, Line 12c - Explanation of Monitoring and Enforcement of Conflicts

The Board of Directors regularly monitors conflicts of interest.

Form 990, Part VI, Line 15a - Compensation Review & Approval Process - CEO & Top Management The Board of Directors will annually review and approve compensation of the Executive Director.

#### Form 990, Part VI, Line 15b - Compensation Review & Approval Process - Officers & Key Employees

The Board of Directors will annually review and approve compensation of officers and key employees.

# Form 990, Part VI, Line 19 - Other Organization Documents Publicly Available

Available Upon Request