

Short Form

OMB No 1545 1150

Form **990-EZ**

Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

1997

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

▶ For organizations with gross receipts less than \$100 000 and total assets less than \$250 000 at the end of the year

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

This Form is Open to Public Inspection

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

A For the 1997 calendar year, OR tax year beginning , 1997, and ending , 19

B Check if

- Change of address
- Initial return
- Final return
- Amended return (required also for state reporting)

Please use IRS label or print or type. See Specific Instructions

C Name of organization
Nebraska Appleseed Center for Law in the Public Interest
Number and street (or P.O. box if mail is not delivered to street address) Room/suite
941 D Street, Suite 105
City or town state or country and ZIP + 4
Lincoln NE 68508

D Employer identification number
471 0798343
E State registration number
7801920
F Check if exemption application is pending
H Enter four digit group exemption number (GEN)

G Accounting method Cash Accrual Other (specify) ▶

Type of organization— Exempt under section 501(c)(3) ◀ (insert number) OR section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust

Note Section 501(c)(3) organizations and section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts MUST attach a completed Schedule A (Form 990)

I Check if the organization's gross receipts are normally not more than \$25 000. The organization need not file a return with the IRS but if the organization received a Form 990 Package in the mail the organization should file a return without financial data. **Some states require a complete return**

◀ Enter the organization's 1997 gross receipts (add back lines 5b, 6b, and 7b, to line 9) ▶ \$ 72,045.21
If \$100,000 or more, the organization must file Form 990 instead of Form 990-EZ.

Part I Revenue, Expenses, and Changes in Net Assets or Fund Balances (See Specific Instructions on page 28)

Revenue	1 Contributions gifts grants, and similar amounts received (attach schedule of contributors) #1	1	71,170.00
	2 Program service revenue including government fees and contracts	2	0
	3 Membership dues and assessments	3	0
	4 Investment income	4	875.21
	5a Gross amount from sale of assets other than inventory	5a	
	b Less cost or other basis and sales expenses	5b	
	c Gain or (loss) from sale of assets other than inventory (line 5a less line 5b) (attach schedule)	5c	
	6 Special events and activities (attach schedule)		
	a Gross revenue (not including \$ _____ of contributions reported on line 1)	6a	
b Less direct expenses other than fundraising expenses	6b		
c Net income or (loss) from special events and activities (line 6a less line 6b)	6c		
7a Gross sales of inventory less returns and allowances	7a		
b Less cost of goods sold	7b		
c Gross profit or (loss) from sales of inventory (line 7a less line 7b)	7c		
8 Other revenue (describe ▶ _____)	8		
9 Total revenue (add lines 1 2 3, 4, 5c, 6c 7c and 8)	9	72,045.21	
Expenses	10 Grants and similar amounts paid (attach schedule) <u>see attached statement 6</u>	10	2,000.00
	11 Benefits paid to or for members	11	
	12 Salaries other compensation, and employee benefits	12	46,793.91
	13 Professional fees and other payments to independent contractors	13	26,482.50
	14 Occupancy rent utilities, and maintenance	14	931.88
	15 Printing, publications, postage, and shipping	15	2,816.75
	16 Other expenses (describe ▶ <u>see attached statement 2</u>)	16	19,841.66
	17 Total expenses (add lines 10 through 16)	17	99,042.14
Net Assets	18 Excess or (deficit) for the year (line 9 less line 17)	18	(26,996.93)
	19 Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (from line 27 column (A)) (must agree with end-of-year figure reported on prior year's return)	19	38,090.15
	20 Other changes in net assets or fund balances (attach explanation)	20	0
	21 Net assets or fund balances at end of year (combine lines 18 through 20)	21	11,093.12

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Part II Balance Sheets—If Total assets on line 25, column (B) are \$250 000 or more, file Form 990 instead of Form 990-EZ

(See Specific Instructions on page 32)

	(A) Beginning of year	(B) End of year
22 Cash, savings, and investments	42,125.93	22 12,616.78
23 Land and buildings	0	23 0
24 Other assets (describe ▶ _____)	0	24 334.17
25 Total assets	42,125.93	25 12,950.95
26 Total liabilities (describe ▶ <u>Payroll Liabilities</u>)	4,035.80	26 1,857.83
27 Net assets or fund balances (line 27 of column (B) must agree with line 21)	38,090.15	27 11,093.12

For Paperwork Reduction Act Notice, see page 1 of the separate instructions

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Part III Statement of Program Service Accomplishments (See Specific Instructions on page 32)

What is the organization's primary exempt purpose? See attached Statement 3.

Describe what was achieved in carrying out the organization's exempt purposes. In a clear and concise manner, describe the services provided, the number of persons benefited or other relevant information for each program title

		Expenses
		(Required for 501(c)(3) and (4) organizations and 4947(a)(1) trusts optional for others.)
28	<u>See attached Statement 3.</u>	
	(Grants \$)	28a
29		
	(Grants \$)	29a
30		
	(Grants \$)	30a
31	Other program services (attach schedule)	(Grants \$) 31a
32	Total program service expenses (add lines 28a through 31a)	32

Part IV List of Officers, Directors, Trustees, and Key Employees (List each one even if not compensated. See Specific Instructions on page 32)

(A) Name and address	(B) Title and average hours per week devoted to position	(C) Compensation (if not paid, enter -0-)	(D) Contributions to employee benefit plans & deferred compensation	(E) Expense account and other allowances
<u>See attached Statement 4</u>				

Part V Other Information (See Specific Instructions on page 33)

	Yes	No
33 Did the organization engage in any activity not previously reported to the IRS? If "Yes," attach a detailed description of each activity		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
34 Were any changes made to the organizing or governing documents but not reported to the IRS? If "Yes" attach a conformed copy of the changes		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
35 If the organization had income from business activities, such as those reported on lines 2, 6, and 7 (among others) but NOT reported on Form 990-T, attach a statement explaining your reason for not reporting the income on Form 990-T		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
a Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more or 6033(e) notice, reporting, and proxy tax requirements?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
b If "Yes," has it filed a tax return on Form 990-T for this year? <u>N.A.</u>		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
36 Was there a liquidation, dissolution, termination, or substantial contraction during the year? (If "Yes," attach a statement)		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
37a Enter amount of political expenditures, direct or indirect, as described in the instructions ▶ <u>37a</u> <u>0</u>		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
b Did the organization file Form 1120-POL for this year?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
38a Did the organization borrow from or make any loans to any officer, director, trustee, or key employee OR were any such loans made in a prior year and still unpaid at the start of the period covered by this return?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
b If "Yes," attach the schedule specified in the line 38 instructions and enter the amount involved <u>38b</u> <u>N.A.</u>		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
39 501(c)(7) organizations —Enter a Initiation fees and capital contributions included on line 9 <u>39a</u> <u>N.A.</u>		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
b Gross receipts, included on line 9 for public use of club facilities <u>39b</u> <u>N.A.</u>		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
40a 501(c)(3) organizations —Enter Amount of tax imposed during the year under section 4911 ▶ <u>0</u> , section 4912 ▶ <u>0</u> , section 4955 ▶ <u>0</u>		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
b 501(c)(3) and (4) organizations —Did the organization engage in any section 4958 excess benefit transaction during the year? If "Yes," attach an explanation		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
c Enter Amount of tax imposed on the organization managers or disqualified persons during the year under sections 4912, 4955, and 4958 ▶ <u>0</u>		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
d Enter Amount of tax in 40c, above reimbursed by the organization ▶ <u>0</u>		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
41 List the states with which a copy of this return is filed ▶ <u>Nebraska</u>		
42 The books are in care of ▶ <u>Nebraska Appraisal</u> Telephone no ▶ <u>(402) 438-8853</u>		
Located at ▶ <u>9410 S, Suite 105, Lincoln, NE 68508</u> ZIP + 4 ▶		
43 Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts filing Form 990-EZ in lieu of Form 1041—Check here ▶ <input type="checkbox"/>		
and enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the tax year ▶ <u>43</u>		

return including accompanying schedules and statements and to the best of my knowledge preparer (other than officer) is based on all information of which preparer has any knowledge

2-18-01 ▶ Date

____ Type or print name and title

(Except Private Foundation) and Section 501(e), 501(f), 501(k),
501(n), or Section 4947(a)(1) Nonexempt Charitable Trust

Supplementary Information

1997

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

▶ Must be completed by the above organizations and attached to their Form 990 or 990-EZ.
See separate instructions.

Name of the organization: *Nebraska Appleseed Center for Law in the Public Interest*
Employer identification number: *4710798343*

Part I Compensation of the Five Highest Paid Employees Other Than Officers, Directors, and Trustees
(See instructions on page 1 List each one If there are none, enter "None")

(a) Name and address of each employee paid more than \$50,000	(b) Title and average hours per week devoted to position	(c) Compensation	(d) Contributions to employee benefit plans & deferred compensation	(e) Expense account and other allowances
<i>N.A. - No employees paid more than \$50,000</i>				
Total number of other employees paid over \$50,000 ▶				

Part II Compensation of the Five Highest Paid Independent Contractors for Professional Services
(See instructions on page 1 List each one (whether individuals or firms) If there are none, enter "None")

(a) Name and address of each independent contractor paid more than \$50,000	(b) Type of service	(c) Compensation
<i>N.A. - No contractors paid more than \$50,000.</i>		
Total number of others receiving over \$50,000 for professional services ▶		

Part III Statements About Activities

	Yes	No
<p>1 During the year, has the organization attempted to influence national, state, or local legislation, including any attempt to influence public opinion on a legislative matter or referendum? If "Yes," enter the total expenses paid or incurred in connection with the lobbying activities ▶ \$ <u>200.00</u> Organizations that made an election under section 501(h) by filing Form 5768 must complete Part VI-A. Other organizations checking "Yes" must complete Part VI B AND attach a statement giving a detailed description of the lobbying activities.</p>	/	
<p>2 During the year, has the organization, either directly or indirectly, engaged in any of the following acts with any of its trustees, directors, officers, creators, key employees, or members of their families, or with any taxable organization with which any such person is affiliated as an officer, director, trustee, majority owner, or principal beneficiary:</p>		
<p>a Sale, exchange, or leasing of property?</p>		/
<p>b Lending of money or other extension of credit?</p>		/
<p>c Furnishing of goods, services, or facilities?</p>		/
<p>d Payment of compensation (or payment or reimbursement of expenses if more than \$1,000)?</p>		/
<p>e Transfer of any part of its income or assets? If the answer to any question is "Yes," attach a detailed statement explaining the transactions.</p>		/
<p>3 Does the organization make grants for scholarships, fellowships, student loans, etc.?</p>		/
<p>4 Attach a statement to explain how the organization determines that individuals or organizations receiving grants or loans from it in furtherance of its charitable programs qualify to receive payments. (See instructions on page 2.)</p>		

Part IV Reason for Non-Private Foundation Status (See instructions on pages 2 through 4.)

The organization is not a private foundation because it is: (Please check only **ONE** applicable box.)

- 5** A church, convention of churches, or association of churches. Section 170(b)(1)(A)(i).
- 6** A school. Section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii). (Also complete Part V, page 4.)
- 7** A hospital or a cooperative hospital service organization. Section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii).
- 8** A Federal, state, or local government or governmental unit. Section 170(b)(1)(A)(v).
- 9** A medical research organization operated in conjunction with a hospital. Section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii). Enter the hospital's name, city, and state ▶
- 10** An organization operated for the benefit of a college or university owned or operated by a governmental unit. Section 170(b)(1)(A)(iv). (Also complete the **Support Schedule** in Part IV-A.)
- 11a** An organization that normally receives a substantial part of its support from a governmental unit or from the general public. Section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi). (Also complete the **Support Schedule** in Part IV-A.)
- 11b** A community trust. Section 170(b)(1)(A)(vii). (Also complete the **Support Schedule** in Part IV-A.)
- 12** An organization that normally receives (1) more than 33 1/3% of its support from contributions, membership fees, and gross receipts from activities related to its charitable, etc., functions—subject to certain exceptions—and (2) no more than 33 1/3% of its support from gross investment income and unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 tax) from businesses acquired by the organization after June 30, 1975. See section 509(a)(2). (Also complete the **Support Schedule** in Part IV-A.)
- 13** An organization that is not controlled by any disqualified persons (other than foundation managers) and supports organizations described in (1) lines 5 through 12 above, or (2) section 501(c)(4), (5), or (6), if they meet the test of section 509(a)(2). (See section 509(a)(3).)

Provide the following information about the supported organizations. (See instructions on page 4.)

(a) Name(s) of supported organization(s)	(b) Line number from above

- 14** An organization organized and operated to test for public safety. Section 509(a)(4). (See instructions on page 4.)

Part IV-A Support Schedule (Complete only if you checked a box on line 10, 11 or 12) *Use cash method of accounting.*

Note. You may use the worksheet in the instructions for converting from the accrual to the cash method of accounting

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ▶	(a) 1996	(b) 1995	(c) 1994	(d) 1993	(e) Total
15 Gifts, grants, and contributions received (Do not include unusual grants See line 28)	61,760.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	61,760
16 Membership fees received					
17 Gross receipts from admissions, merchandise sold or services performed, or furnishing of facilities in any activity that is not a business unrelated to the organization's charitable, etc., purpose	75.				75.
18 Gross income from interest, dividends, amounts received from payments on securities loans (section 512(a)(5)), rents, royalties, and unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 taxes) from businesses acquired by the organization after June 30, 1975					
19 Net income from unrelated business activities not included in line 18					
20 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to it or expended on its behalf					
21 The value of services or facilities furnished to the organization by a governmental unit without charge Do not include the value of services or facilities generally furnished to the public without charge					
22 Other income Attach a schedule Do not include gain or (loss) from sale of capital assets					
23 Total of lines 15 through 22	61,835.				61,835.
24 Line 23 minus line 17	61,760.				61,760.
25 Enter 1% of line 23	618.35				

26 Organizations described in lines 10 or 11:	a Enter 2% of amount in column (e), line 24 ▶	26a	1,235.
b Attach a list (which is not open to public inspection) showing the name of and amount contributed by each person (other than a governmental unit or publicly supported organization) whose total gifts for 1993 through 1996 exceeded the amount shown in line 26a Enter the sum of all these excess amounts ▶		26b	13,500.
<i>See attached statements</i>			
c Total support for section 509(a)(1) test Enter line 24, column (e) ▶		26c	61,760
d Add Amounts from column (e) for lines	18 <u>0</u> 19 <u>0</u>	26d	13,500.
	22 <u>0</u> 26b <u>13,500</u>	26e	48,260.
e Public support (line 26c minus line 26d total)		26f	78 %
f Public support percentage (line 26e (numerator) divided by line 26c (denominator)) ▶			

27 Organizations described on line 12: **a** For amounts included in lines 15, 16, and 17 that were received from a "disqualified person," attach a list to show the name of, and total amounts received in each year from, each "disqualified person." Enter the sum of such amounts for each year

(1996) _____ (1995) _____ (1994) _____ (1993) _____

b For any amount included in line 17 that was received from a nondisqualified person, attach a list to show the name of, and amount received for each year, that was more than the **larger** of (1) the amount on line 25 for the year or (2) \$5,000 (Include in the list organizations described in lines 5 through 11, as well as individuals.) After computing the difference between the amount received and the larger amount described in (1) or (2), enter the sum of these differences (the excess amounts) for each year

(1996) _____ (1995) _____ (1994) _____ (1993) _____

c Add Amounts from column (e) for lines	15 _____ 16 _____		27c	
	17 _____ 20 _____ 21 _____		27d	
d Add Line 27a total _____ and line 27b total _____ ▶			27e	
e Public support (line 27c total minus line 27d total)			27f	\$
f Total support for section 509(a)(2) test Enter amount on line 23, column (e) ▶			27g	%
g Public support percentage (line 27e (numerator) divided by line 27f (denominator)) ▶			27h	%
h Investment income percentage (line 18, column (e) (numerator) divided by line 27f (denominator)). ▶				

28 Unusual Grants. For an organization described in line 10, 11, or 12 that received any unusual grants during 1993 through 1996, attach a list (which is not open to public inspection) for each year showing the name of the contributor, the date and amount of the grant, and a brief description of the nature of the grant Do not include these grants in line 15 (See instructions on page 4)

Part V Private School Questionnaire (See instructions on page 4)
(To be completed ONLY by schools that checked the box on line 6 in Part IV)

	Yes	No
29 Does the organization have a racially nondiscriminatory policy toward students by statement in its charter, bylaws, other governing instrument, or in a resolution of its governing body?		
30 Does the organization include a statement of its racially nondiscriminatory policy toward students in all its brochures, catalogues, and other written communications with the public dealing with student admissions, programs, and scholarships?		
31 Has the organization publicized its racially nondiscriminatory policy through newspaper or broadcast media during the period of solicitation for students, or during the registration period if it has no solicitation program, in a way that makes the policy known to all parts of the general community it serves? If "Yes," please describe, if "No," please explain (If you need more space, attach a separate statement)		
32 Does the organization maintain the following		
a Records indicating the racial composition of the student body, faculty, and administrative staff?		
b Records documenting that scholarships and other financial assistance are awarded on a racially nondiscriminatory basis?		
c Copies of all catalogues brochures, announcements, and other written communications to the public dealing with student admissions, programs, and scholarships?		
d Copies of all material used by the organization or on its behalf to solicit contributions?		
If you answered "No" to any of the above, please explain (If you need more space attach a separate statement)		
33 Does the organization discriminate by race in any way with respect to		
a Students' rights or privileges?		
b Admissions policies?		
c Employment of faculty or administrative staff?		
d Scholarships or other financial assistance?		
e Educational policies?		
f Use of facilities?		
g Athletic programs?		
h Other extracurricular activities?		
If you answered "Yes" to any of the above, please explain (If you need more space, attach a separate statement)		
34a Does the organization receive any financial aid or assistance from a governmental agency?		
b Has the organization's right to such aid ever been revoked or suspended? If you answered "Yes" to either 34a or b, please explain using an attached statement		
35 Does the organization certify that it has complied with the applicable requirements of sections 4 01 through 4 05 of Rev Proc 75-50, 1975-2 C B 587, covering racial nondiscrimination? If "No," attach an explanation		

Part VI-A Lobbying Expenditures by Electing Public Charities (See instructions on page 6)
 (To be completed **ONLY** by an eligible organization that filed Form 5768)

Check here **a** if the organization belongs to an affiliated group
 Check here **b** if you checked "a" above and "limited control" provisions apply

Limits on Lobbying Expenditures		(a) Affiliated group totals	(b) To be completed for ALL electing organizations												
(The term "expenditures" means amounts paid or incurred)															
36	Total lobbying expenditures to influence public opinion (grassroots lobbying)	36	0												
37	Total lobbying expenditures to influence a legislative body (direct lobbying)	37	200.												
38	Total lobbying expenditures (add lines 36 and 37)	38	200.												
39	Other exempt purpose expenditures	39	98,842.												
40	Total exempt purpose expenditures (add lines 38 and 39)	40	99,042.												
41	Lobbying nontaxable amount Enter the amount from the following table—														
<table border="0" style="width: 100%;"> <tr> <td style="width: 50%;">If the amount on line 40 is—</td> <td style="width: 50%;">The lobbying nontaxable amount is—</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Not over \$500,000</td> <td>20% of the amount on line 40</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Over \$500,000 but not over \$1,000,000</td> <td>\$100,000 plus 15% of the excess over \$500,000</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Over \$1,000,000 but not over \$1,500,000</td> <td>\$175,000 plus 10% of the excess over \$1,000,000</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Over \$1,500,000 but not over \$17,000,000</td> <td>\$225,000 plus 5% of the excess over \$1,500,000</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Over \$17,000,000</td> <td>\$1,000,000</td> </tr> </table>		If the amount on line 40 is—	The lobbying nontaxable amount is—	Not over \$500,000	20% of the amount on line 40	Over \$500,000 but not over \$1,000,000	\$100,000 plus 15% of the excess over \$500,000	Over \$1,000,000 but not over \$1,500,000	\$175,000 plus 10% of the excess over \$1,000,000	Over \$1,500,000 but not over \$17,000,000	\$225,000 plus 5% of the excess over \$1,500,000	Over \$17,000,000	\$1,000,000		
If the amount on line 40 is—	The lobbying nontaxable amount is—														
Not over \$500,000	20% of the amount on line 40														
Over \$500,000 but not over \$1,000,000	\$100,000 plus 15% of the excess over \$500,000														
Over \$1,000,000 but not over \$1,500,000	\$175,000 plus 10% of the excess over \$1,000,000														
Over \$1,500,000 but not over \$17,000,000	\$225,000 plus 5% of the excess over \$1,500,000														
Over \$17,000,000	\$1,000,000														
41	Grassroots nontaxable amount (enter 25% of line 41)	41	19,808.												
42	Subtract line 42 from line 36 Enter 0 if line 42 is more than line 36	42	4,952												
43	Subtract line 41 from line 38 Enter 0 if line 41 is more than line 38	43	0												
44		44	0												

Caution: If there is an amount on either line 43 or line 44, you must file Form 4720

4-Year Averaging Period Under Section 501(h)

(Some organizations that made a section 501(h) election do not have to complete all of the five columns below
 See the instructions for lines 45 through 50 on page 7)

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ▶	Lobbying Expenditures During 4-Year Averaging Period				
	(a) 1997	(b) 1996	(c) 1995	(d) 1994	(e) Total
45 Lobbying nontaxable amount	19,808.				19,808.
46 Lobbying ceiling amount (150% of line 45(e))					
47 Total lobbying expenditures					
48 Grassroots nontaxable amount					
49 Grassroots ceiling amount (150% of line 48(e))					
50 Grassroots lobbying expenditures					

Part VI-B Lobbying Activity by Nonelecting Public Charities

N.A. (For reporting only by organizations that did not complete Part VI-A) (See instructions on page 7)

During the year, did the organization attempt to influence national, state or local legislation, including any attempt to influence public opinion on a legislative matter or referendum, through the use of

- a Volunteers
- b Paid staff or management (Include compensation in expenses reported on lines c through h)
- c Media advertisements
- d Mailings to members, legislators, or the public
- e Publications, or published or broadcast statements
- f Grants to other organizations for lobbying purposes
- g Direct contact with legislators, their staffs, government officials, or a legislative body
- h Rallies, demonstrations, seminars, conventions, speeches, lectures, or any other means
- i Total lobbying expenditures (add lines c through h)

Yes	No	Amount

If "Yes" to any of the above, also attach a statement giving a detailed description of the lobbying activities

Schedule A	Line 26b	Statement 5
		\$ 1 500
		\$ 2 000
		\$ 10 000

Form 990	Part I, Line 10 Grants & Similar Amounts Paid	Statement 6
<u>Expense</u>		<u>Amount</u>
Consulting services for Nebraska Appleseed's Project Fair Play		2,000 00

Form 990	Contributions	Statement 1
Donor Name & Address		Amount
		\$ 31 500
		\$ 7 500
		\$ 10 000
		\$ 10 000

Form 990	Other Expenses	Statement 2
<u>Expense</u>		<u>Amount</u>
Bank Service Charges		46
Accounting		1 100
Dues & Fees		665
Fundraising		3 464 16
Library		521 20
Litigation		122 91
Lobbying		200
Miscellaneous		976 86
Mtg/Conf/Etc		1 685 77
Office Equipment		1595 53
Office Furniture		104 31
Office Supplies		823 85
Postage & Delivery		1 846 02
Research		105 90
Subscriptions		1 106 83
Telephone		3 598 72
Travel		<u>1,878 60</u>
		19 841 66

Form 990	Statement of Program Services Accomplishments	Statement 3
Organization's primary exempt purpose	A law project dedicated to pursuing equal justice for all by providing an effective voice for individuals and groups with little or no access to economic and political power Nebraska Appleseed joins the skills of lawyers with other professions individuals and groups to develop lasting public interest solutions through multi-disciplinary strategies- education, negotiation, research, analysis, legislation, litigation, and other advocacy	Program Service Expenses
a PROJECT FAIR PLAY:	Protecting and promoting the rights of Nebraska's poor during these times of great change to	\$49,521

public assistance programs due to welfare reform

Welfare Due Process Project Working to enforce rights to due process and procedural fairness for families receiving assistance

- Staffed and launched legal program now represent hundreds of families facing improper cuts in subsistence benefits and services
- Organized "SSI Kids" project linking private attorneys with hundreds of disabled children facing improper cutoffs in disability benefits

Safety Net Project Working toward the development of decent and humane welfare policy in Nebraska

- Drafted and spurred passage of legislation guaranteeing full and equal safety net for needy legal immigrants

Living Wage Opportunity Project Boosting opportunities for welfare recipients and low-wage workers to find and keep jobs that build economic self-sufficiency

- Sponsored and released, with national attention studies on the "living wage" and on entry-level jobs
- Engaging dozens of organizations from around the state in collaborative effort to help working poor Nebraska families

(Grants \$ 0 00)

b **PROJECT EQUAL ACCESS** Ensuring equal justice for all by improving access to the legal system for low and moderate income Nebraskans \$ 19 808

Equal Justice Clearinghouse Promoting access to legal assistance for all through the use of technology

- Began planning of www.neequaljustice.org the Equal Justice Clearinghouse effort to put basic legal information, through the internet into the hands of pro bono attorneys, community organizations, and low-income individuals

Legal Services Support Project Helping to achieve a full and effective delivery of direct legal services for the poor

- Served as catalyst for filing tee legislation which provides for the first time hundred of thousands of dollars in state funding for legal services for the poor
- Working with the Nebraska State Bar Association the Nebraska Commission on Public Advocacy, and Nebraska's legal services programs to design and implement a comprehensive legal services delivery system for Nebraska

Rural Justice Project Helping needy rural Nebraskans gain greater access to justice

- Promoting pro bono assistance to farmers caught in today's depressed farm economy

(Grants \$ 0 00)

c **PROJECT QUALITY OF LIFE** Helping to meet the legal social and public policy needs of the "new immigrants" who have moved to Nebraska in greatly increasing numbers to work in meatpacking and processing plants and live in mostly rural Nebraska communities \$ 19 808

Newcomer Opportunity Project Assisting immigrant workers and their families who have journeyed to Nebraska for work

- Assisting with formation of legal clinics in Nebraska communities with thousands of new immigrants

Community Relations Project Helping address common issues in communities facing the challenge of fully incorporating these newcomers into community life

- Successfully created effort to assess impact of Immigration and Naturalization Service's enforcement actions, including industry farm rural communities and immigrant representatives

Government and Industry Responsibility Project. Seeking greater accountability for public and private decisions affecting community quality of life

- Continuing litigation on behalf of community members seeking better compliance with good government and public participation laws leading to improvements in

community health and welfare

(Grants \$ 0.00.)

f Total of Program Service Expenses \$89,137.00

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