

Form **990**

Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

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

OMB No 1545-0047

2002

Open to Public Inspection

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

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

A For the 2002 calendar year, or tax year period beginning **and ending**

B Check if applicable: <input type="checkbox"/> Address change <input type="checkbox"/> Name change <input type="checkbox"/> Initial return <input type="checkbox"/> Final return <input type="checkbox"/> Amended return <input type="checkbox"/> Application pending	Please use IRS label or print or type. See Specific Instructions.	C Name of organization CENTER FOR RESPONSIVE POLITICS		D Employer identification number 52-1275227
		Number and street (or P O box if mail is not delivered to street address) 1101 14TH STREET, NW		Room/suite 1030
		City or town, state or country, and ZIP + 4 WASHINGTON, DC 20005		E Telephone number (202)857-0044
		<input type="checkbox"/> Section 501(c)(3) organizations and 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts must attach a completed Schedule A (Form 990 or 990-EZ)		F Accounting method <input type="checkbox"/> Cash <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Accrual <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify) ▶

G Web site ▶ **WWW.OPENSECRETS.ORG**

J Organization type (check only one) ▶ 501(c) (3) ◀ (insert no) 4947(a)(1) or 527

K Check here 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, it should file a return without financial data. Some states require a complete return.

H and **I** are not applicable to section 527 organizations

H(a) Is this a group return for affiliates? Yes No

H(b) If "Yes," enter number of affiliates ▶

H(c) Are all affiliates included? **N/A** Yes No (If "No," attach a list.)

H(d) Is this a separate return filed by an organization covered by a group ruling? Yes No

I Enter 4 digit GEN ▶

L Gross receipts. Add lines 6b, 8b, 9b, and 10b to line 12 ▶ **922,373.**

M Check if the organization is not required to attach Sch B (Form 990, 990 EZ, or 990 PF)

Part I Revenue, Expenses, and Changes in Net Assets or Fund Balances

Revenue	1	Contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts received				
	a	Direct public support	1a	831,376.		
	b	Indirect public support	1b			
	c	Government contributions (grants)	1c			
	d	Total (add lines 1a through 1c) (cash \$ <u>831,376.</u> noncash \$ _____)	1d		831,376.	
	2	Program service revenue including government fees and contracts (from Part VII, line 93)	2		62,862.	
	3	Membership dues and assessments	3			
	4	Interest on savings and temporary cash investments	4		25,254.	
	5	Dividends and interest from securities	5			
	6a	Gross rents	6a			
	6b	Less: rental expenses	6b			
	6c	Net rental income or (loss) (subtract line 6b from line 6a)	6c			
7	Other investment income (describe ▶ _____)	7				
Revenue	8a	Gross amount from sale of assets other than inventory	(A) Securities	(B) Other		
	b	Less: cost or other basis and sales expenses	8a			
	c	Gain or (loss) (attach schedule)	8b			
	d	Net gain or (loss) (combine line 8c, columns (A) and (B))	8c			
	8d					
	9	Special events and activities (attach schedule)				
	a	Gross revenue (not including \$ _____ of contributions reported on line 1a)	9a			
	b	Less: direct expenses other than fundraising expenses	9b			
9c	Net income or (loss) from special events (subtract line 9b from line 9a)	9c				
Revenue	10a	Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances	10a			
	b	Less: cost of goods sold	10b			
	c	Gross profit or (loss) from sales of inventory (attach schedule) (subtract line 10b from line 10a)	10c			
	11	Other revenue (from Part VII, line 103)	11		2,881.	
12	Total revenue (add lines 1d, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6c, 7, 8d, 9c, 10c, and 11)	12		922,373.		
Expenses	13	Program services (from line 44, column (B))	13		1,155,488.	
	14	Management and general (from line 44, column (C))	14		118,195.	
	15	Fundraising (from line 44, column (D))	15		54,497.	
	16	Partnership expenses (attach schedule)	16			
	17	Total expenses (add lines 13 through 16 and 44, column (A))	17		1,328,180.	
Net Assets	18	Excess or (deficit) for the year (subtract line 17 from line 12)	18		<405,807.	
	19	Net Assets or Fund Balances at beginning of year (from line 73, column (A))	19		2,151,895.	
	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, 19, and 20)	21		1,746,088.	

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Part II Statement of Functional Expenses

All organizations must complete column (A) Columns (B), (C), and (D) are required for section 501(c)(3) and (4) organizations and section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts but optional for others

Table with 5 columns: (A) Total, (B) Program services, (C) Management and general, (D) Fundraising. Rows include various expense categories like Grants and allocations, Salaries and wages, Pension plan contributions, etc.

Joint Costs Check [] if you are following SOP 98-2
Are any joint costs from a combined educational campaign and fundraising solicitation reported in (B) Program services? [] Yes [X] No
If "Yes," enter (i) the aggregate amount of these joint costs \$, (ii) the amount allocated to Program services \$, (iii) the amount allocated to Management and general \$, and (iv) the amount allocated to Fundraising \$

Part III Statement of Program Service Accomplishments

What is the organization's primary exempt purpose? SEE STATEMENT 2

Table with 2 columns: Description of program service accomplishments and Program Service Expenses. Rows include SEE STATEMENT 3, SEE STATEMENT 4, SEE STATEMENT 5, and Total of Program Service Expenses.

Part IV Balance Sheets

Note Where required, attached schedules and amounts within the description column should be for end-of-year amounts only

		(A) Beginning of year		(B) End of year
Assets	45 Cash - non-interest-bearing	240,437.	45	70,313.
	46 Savings and temporary cash investments	1,283,636.	46	806,110.
	47 a Accounts receivable	590.		
	47 b Less allowance for doubtful accounts		244.	47c 590.
	48 a Pledges receivable			
	48 b Less allowance for doubtful accounts			48c
	49 Grants receivable	552,000.	49	805,000.
	50 Receivables from officers, directors, trustees, and key employees		50	
	51 a Other notes and loans receivable			
	51 b Less allowance for doubtful accounts			51c
	52 Inventories for sale or use		52	
	53 Prepaid expenses and deferred charges	18,200.	53	26,638.
	54 Investments - securities <input type="checkbox"/> Cost <input type="checkbox"/> FMV		54	
	55 a Investments - land, buildings, and equipment basis			
55 b Less accumulated depreciation			55c	
56 Investments - other		56		
57 a Land, buildings, and equipment, basis	460,268.			
57 b Less accumulated depreciation STMT 6	423,706.	49,700.	57c 36,562.	
58 Other assets (describe ▶ DEPOSITS)		28,885.	58 28,885.	
59 Total assets (add lines 45 through 58) (must equal line 74)	2,173,102.	59	1,774,098.	
Liabilities	60 Accounts payable and accrued expenses	21,207.	60	28,010.
	61 Grants payable		61	
	62 Deferred revenue		62	
	63 Loans from officers, directors, trustees, and key employees		63	
	64 a Tax exempt bond liabilities		64a	
	64 b Mortgages and other notes payable		64b	
	65 Other liabilities (describe ▶)		65	
66 Total liabilities (add lines 60 through 65)	21,207.	66	28,010.	
Net Assets or Fund Balances	Organizations that follow SFAS 117, check here <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 67 through 69 and lines 73 and 74			
	67 Unrestricted	1,728,544.	67	866,088.
	68 Temporarily restricted	423,351.	68	880,000.
	69 Permanently restricted		69	
	Organizations that do not follow SFAS 117, check here <input type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 70 through 74			
	70 Capital stock, trust principal, or current funds		70	
	71 Paid in or capital surplus, or land, building, and equipment fund		71	
	72 Retained earnings, endowment, accumulated income, or other funds		72	
73 Total net assets or fund balances (add lines 67 through 69 or lines 70 through 72, column (A) must equal line 19, column (B) must equal line 21)	2,151,895.	73	1,746,088.	
74 Total liabilities and net assets / fund balances (add lines 66 and 73)	2,173,102.	74	1,774,098.	

Form 990 is available for public inspection and, for some people, serves as the primary or sole source of information about a particular organization. How the public perceives an organization in such cases may be determined by the information presented on its return. Therefore, please make sure the return is complete and accurate and fully describes, in Part III, the organization's programs and accomplishments.

Part VI Other Information		Yes	No
76	Did the organization engage in any activity not previously reported to the IRS? If "Yes," attach a detailed description of each activity	76	X
77	Were any changes made in the organizing or governing documents but not reported to the IRS? If "Yes," attach a conformed copy of the changes	77	X
78 a	Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year covered by this return?	78a	X
b	If "Yes," has it filed a tax return on Form 990-T for this year? N/A	78b	
79	Was there a liquidation, dissolution, termination, or substantial contraction during the year? If "Yes," attach a statement	79	X
80 a	Is the organization related (other than by association with a statewide or nationwide organization) through common membership, governing bodies, trustees, officers, etc., to any other exempt or nonexempt organization?	80a	X
b	If "Yes," enter the name of the organization <input type="checkbox"/> and check whether it is <input type="checkbox"/> exempt or <input type="checkbox"/> nonexempt		
81 a	Enter direct or indirect political expenditures See line 81 instructions 81a 0.		
b	Did the organization file Form 1120-POL for this year?	81b	X
82 a	Did the organization receive donated services or the use of materials, equipment, or facilities at no charge or at substantially less than fair rental value?	82a	X
b	If "Yes," you may indicate the value of these items here Do not include this amount as revenue in Part I or as an expense in Part II (See instructions in Part III) 82b N/A		
83 a	Did the organization comply with the public inspection requirements for returns and exemption applications?	83a	X
b	Did the organization comply with the disclosure requirements relating to quid pro quo contributions?	83b	X
84 a	Did the organization solicit any contributions or gifts that were not tax deductible? N/A	84a	
b	If "Yes," did the organization include with every solicitation an express statement that such contributions or gifts were not tax deductible? N/A	84b	
85	501(c)(4), (5), or (6) organizations a Were substantially all dues nondeductible by members? N/A	85a	
b	Did the organization make only in-house lobbying expenditures of \$2,000 or less? N/A	85b	
	If "Yes" was answered to either 85a or 85b, do not complete 85c through 85h below unless the organization received a waiver for proxy tax owed for the prior year		
c	Dues, assessments, and similar amounts from members 85c N/A		
d	Section 162(e) lobbying and political expenditures 85d N/A		
e	Aggregate nondeductible amount of section 6033(e)(1)(A) dues notices 85e N/A		
f	Taxable amount of lobbying and political expenditures (line 85d less 85e) 85f N/A		
g	Does the organization elect to pay the section 6033(e) tax on the amount on line 85f? N/A	85g	
h	If section 6033(e)(1)(A) dues notices were sent, does the organization agree to add the amount on line 85f to its reasonable estimate of dues allocable to nondeductible lobbying and political expenditures for the following tax year? N/A	85h	
86	501(c)(7) organizations Enter a Initiation fees and capital contributions included on line 12 86a N/A		
b	Gross receipts, included on line 12, for public use of club facilities 86b N/A		
87	501(c)(12) organizations Enter a Gross income from members or shareholders 87a N/A		
b	Gross income from other sources (Do not net amounts due or paid to other sources against amounts due or received from them) 87b N/A		
88	At any time during the year, did the organization own a 50% or greater interest in a taxable corporation or partnership, or an entity disregarded as separate from the organization under Regulations sections 301.7701-2 and 301.7701-3? If "Yes," complete Part IX	88	X
89 a	501(c)(3) organizations Enter Amount of tax imposed on the organization during the year under section 4911 <input type="checkbox"/> 0., section 4912 <input type="checkbox"/> 0., section 4955 <input type="checkbox"/> 0.		
b	501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations Did the organization engage in any section 4958 excess benefit transaction during the year or did it become aware of an excess benefit transaction from a prior year? If "Yes," attach a statement explaining each transaction	89b	X
c	Enter Amount of tax imposed on the organization managers or disqualified persons during the year under sections 4912, 4955, and 4958 0.		
d	Enter Amount of tax on line 89c, above, reimbursed by the organization 0.		
90 a	List the states with which a copy of this return is filed <input type="checkbox"/> DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA		
b	Number of employees employed in the pay period that includes March 12, 2002 90b 18		
91	The books are in care of <input type="checkbox"/> THE ORGANIZATION Telephone no <input type="checkbox"/> (202) 857-0044		
	Located at <input type="checkbox"/> 1101 14TH STREET NW, #1030, WASHINGTON, DC ZIP + 4 <input type="checkbox"/> 20005		
92	Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts filing Form 990 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 92 N/A		

Part VII Analysis of Income-Producing Activities (See page 31 of the instructions)

	Unrelated business income		Excluded by section 512 513 or 514		(E) Related or exempt function income
	(A) Business code	(B) Amount	(C) Exclu- sion code	(D) Amount	
Note Enter gross amounts unless otherwise indicated					
93 Program service revenue					
a LIBRARY FEES					31,808.
b PUBLICATION SALES					1,374.
c CONTRACTS					26,400.
d HONORARIUM INCOME					3,280.
e					
f Medicare/Medicaid payments					
g Fees and contracts from government agencies					
94 Membership dues and assessments					
95 Interest on savings and temporary cash investments			14	25,254.	
96 Dividends and interest from securities					
97 Net rental income or (loss) from real estate					
a debt-financed property					
b not debt-financed property					
98 Net rental income or (loss) from personal property					
99 Other investment income					
100 Gain or (loss) from sales of assets other than inventory					
101 Net income or (loss) from special events					
102 Gross profit or (loss) from sales of inventory					
103 Other revenue					
a MISCELLANEOUS					2,881.
b					
c					
d					
e					
104 Subtotal (add columns (B), (D), and (E))		0.		25,254.	65,743.
105 Total (add line 104, columns (B), (D), and (E))					90,997.

Note Line 105 plus line 1d, Part I, should equal the amount on line 12, Part I

Part VIII Relationship of Activities to the Accomplishment of Exempt Purposes (See page 32 of the instructions)

Line No	Explain how each activity for which income is reported in column (E) of Part VII contributed importantly to the accomplishment of the organization's exempt purposes (other than by providing funds for such purposes)
▼	SEE STATEMENT 7

Part IX Information Regarding Taxable Subsidiaries and Disregarded Entities (See page 32 of the instructions)

(A) Name, address, and EIN of corporation, partnership, or disregarded entity	(B) Percentage of ownership interest	(C) Nature of activities	(D) Total income	(E) End-of year assets
N/A	%			
	%			
	%			
	%			

Part X Information Regarding Transfers Associated with Personal Benefit Contracts (See page 33 of the instructions)

- (a) Did the organization, during the year, receive any funds, directly or indirectly, to pay premiums on a personal benefit contract? Yes No
- (b) Did the organization, during the year, pay premiums, directly or indirectly, on a personal benefit contract? Yes No

accompanying schedules and statements and to the best of my knowledge and belief it is true information of which preparer has any knowledge

11/07 LAWRENCE NOBLE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
Type or print name and title

SCHEDULE A
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Organization Exempt Under Section 501(c)(3)

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

Supplementary Information-(See separate instructions.)

▶ **MUST be completed by the above organizations and attached to their Form 990 or 990-EZ**

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Name of the organization

CENTER FOR RESPONSIVE POLITICS

Employer identification number

52 1275227

Part I Compensation of the Five Highest Paid Employees Other Than Officers, Directors, and Trustees

(See page 1 of the instructions 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
LARRY MAKINSON ----- ALL REACHED C/O THE ORGANIZATION.	SENIOR FELLOW 40+	95,000.	3,800.	
SUSAN ALGER -----	DIR INFO TECH 40+	75,000.	3,000.	
SHEILA KRUMHOLZ -----	DIR LIBRARY 40+	70,000.	2,800.	
STEVEN WEISS -----	DIR COMMUNCTNS 40+	62,500.	2,500.	
PAUL SANFORD -----	DIR FEC WATCH 40+	60,000.	2,492.	
Total number of other employees paid over \$50,000 ▶	1			

Part II Compensation of the Five Highest Paid Independent Contractors for Professional Services

(See page 2 of the instructions 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
NONE ----- ----- ----- ----- ----- ----- ----- ----- ----- -----		
Total number of others receiving over \$50,000 for professional services ▶	0	

Part III Statements About Activities (See page 2 of the instructions)

	Yes	No
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 ► \$ _____ \$ _____ (Must equal amounts on line 38, Part VI A, or line 1 of Part VI B) 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		X
2 During the year, has the organization, either directly or indirectly, engaged in any of the following acts with any substantial contributors, 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? (If the answer to any question is "Yes," attach a detailed statement explaining the transactions)		
a Sale, exchange, or leasing of property?		X
b Lending of money or other extension of credit?		X
c Furnishing of goods, services, or facilities?		X
d Payment of compensation (or payment or reimbursement of expenses if more than \$1,000)? SEE PART V, FORM 990	X	
e Transfer of any part of its income or assets?		X
3 Does the organization make grants for scholarships, fellowships, student loans, etc.? (See Note below)		X
4 Do you have a section 403(b) annuity plan for your employees?	X	
Note 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		

Part IV Reason for Non-Private Foundation Status (See pages 3 through 5 of the instructions)

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)
- 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)(iii) 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)(vi) (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 page 5 of the instructions)

(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 page 5 of the instructions)

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		(a) 2001	(b) 2000	(c) 1999	(d) 1998	(e) Total
15	Gifts, grants, and contributions received (Do not include unusual grants See line 28)	1,201,660.	2,067,263.	523,380.	655,453.	4,447,756.
16	Membership fees received					
17	Gross receipts from admissions, merchandise sold or services performed, or furnishing of facilities in any activity that is related to the organization's charitable, etc., purpose	36,398.	102,110.	141,844.	114,219.	394,571.
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	69,211.	78,415.	39,669.	40,349.	227,644.
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	6,344.	5,065.	SEE STATEMENT 8 10,605.	15,936.	37,950.
23	Total of lines 15 through 22	1,313,613.	2,252,853.	715,498.	825,957.	5,107,921.
24	Line 23 minus line 17	1,277,215.	2,150,743.	573,654.	711,738.	4,713,350.
25	Enter 1% of line 23	13,136.	22,529.	7,155.	8,260.	
26	Organizations described on lines 10 or 11 a Enter 2% of amount in column (e), line 24					26a 94,267.
	b Prepare a list for your records to show the name of and amount contributed by each person (other than a governmental unit or publicly supported organization) whose total gifts for 1998 through 2001 exceeded the amount shown in line 26a Do not file this list with your return Enter the sum of all these excess amounts					26b 3,576,665.
	c Total support for section 509(a)(1) test Enter line 24, column (e)					26c 4,713,350.
	d Add Amounts from column (e) for lines 18 227,644. 19 22 37,950. 26b 3,576,665.					26d 3,842,259.
	e Public support (line 26c minus line 26d total)					26e 871,091.
	f Public support percentage (line 26e (numerator) divided by line 26c (denominator))					26f 18.4814%
27	Organizations described on line 12 a For amounts included in lines 15, 16, and 17 that were received from a "disqualified person," prepare a list for your records to show the name of, and total amounts received in each year from, each "disqualified person" Do not file this list with your return Enter the sum of such amounts for each year N/A					
	b For any amount included in line 17 that was received from each person (other than "disqualified persons"), prepare a list for your records 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) Do not file this list with your return 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 N/A					
	c Add Amounts from column (e) for lines 15 17 and line 27a total and line 27b total					27c N/A
	d Add Line 27a total and line 27b total					27d N/A
	e Public support (line 27c total minus line 27d total)					27e N/A
	f Total support for section 509(a)(2) test Enter amount on line 23, column (e)			27f N/A		
	g Public support percentage (line 27e (numerator) divided by line 27f (denominator))					27g N/A %
	h Investment income percentage (line 18, column (e) (numerator) divided by line 27f (denominator))					27h N/A %
28	Unusual Grants For an organization described in line 10, 11, or 12 that received any unusual grants during 1998 through 2001, prepare a list for your records to show, for each year, the name of the contributor, the date and amount of the grant, and a brief description of the nature of the grant Do not file this list with your return Do not include these grants in line 15					

Part V Private School Questionnaire (See page 7 of the instructions.)

N/A

(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?	32a	
b	Records documenting that scholarships and other financial assistance are awarded on a racially nondiscriminatory basis?	32b	
c	Copies of all catalogues, brochures, announcements, and other written communications to the public dealing with student admissions, programs, and scholarships?	32c	
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.) _____ _____	32d	
33	Does the organization discriminate by race in any way with respect to		
a	Students' rights or privileges?	33a	
b	Admissions policies?	33b	
c	Employment of faculty or administrative staff?	33c	
d	Scholarships or other financial assistance?	33d	
e	Educational policies?	33e	
f	Use of facilities?	33f	
g	Athletic programs?	33g	
h	Other extracurricular activities? If you answered "Yes" to any of the above, please explain (If you need more space, attach a separate statement) _____ _____	33h	
34 a	Does the organization receive any financial aid or assistance from a governmental agency?	34a	
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	34b	
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	35	

Asset No	Description	Date Acquired	Method	Life	Line No	Unadjusted Cost Or Basis	Bus % Excl	Reduction In Basis	Basis For Depreciation	Accumulated Depreciation	Current Sec 179	Amount Of Depreciation
1	COMPUTER EQUIPMENT	VARIABLES		5.00	16	438,097.			438,097.	371,499.		31,586.
2	LEASEHOLD IMPROVEMENTS	VARIABLES		43M	43	22,171.			22,171.	17,882.		2,739.
	* TOTAL 990 PAGE 2 DEPR & AMORT					460,268.		0.	460,268.	389,381.	0.	34,325.

FORM 990	OTHER EXPENSES			STATEMENT 1
DESCRIPTION	(A) TOTAL	(B) PROGRAM SERVICES	(C) MANAGEMENT AND GENERAL	(D) FUNDRAISING
CONSULTANTS	563.	490.	51.	22.
CONTRACTS WITH SERVICE BUREAU	2,289.	1,991.	206.	92.
INSURANCE	7,262.	6,318.	654.	290.
OUTREACH	2,557.	2,225.	230.	102.
MISCELLANEOUS	8,805.	7,660.	792.	353.
ONLINE SERVICES	9,846.	8,566.		1,280.
TOTAL TO FM 990, LN 43	31,322.	27,250.	1,933.	2,139.

FORM 990 STATEMENT OF ORGANIZATION'S PRIMARY EXEMPT PURPOSE STATEMENT 2
PART III

EXPLANATION

SPECIALIZES IN THE STUDY OF CONGRESS AND PARTICULARLY THE ROLE THAT MONEY
PLAYS IN ITS ELECTIONS AND ACTIONS.

FORM 990 STATEMENT OF PROGRAM SERVICE ACCOMPLISHMENTS STATEMENT 3

DESCRIPTION OF PROGRAM SERVICE ONE

OUTREACH - PUBLIC EDUCATION INCLUDING NEWSLETTER, WEBSITE, CONFERENCES, SEMINARS AND ASSISTANCE TO REPORTERS, MEDIA AND NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS ON MONEY IN POLITICS ISSUES, DEVELOPMENTS AND RESEARCH TECHNIQUES.

	GRANTS	EXPENSES
TO FORM 990, PART III, LINE A		610,965.

FORM 990 STATEMENT OF PROGRAM SERVICE ACCOMPLISHMENTS STATEMENT 4

DESCRIPTION OF PROGRAM SERVICE TWO

NATIONAL LIBRARY ON MONEY AND POLITICS - A RESEARCH CENTER WITH MULTIPLE DATABASES ON CAMPAIGN FINANCE AND OTHER MONEY IN POLITICS STATISTICS AND INFORMATION, WHICH SERVES AS A MONEY INFORMATIONAL RESOURCE TO THE PUBLIC, THE PRESS AND ACADEMIA.

	GRANTS	EXPENSES
TO FORM 990, PART III, LINE B		66,408.

FORM 990 STATEMENT OF PROGRAM SERVICE ACCOMPLISHMENTS STATEMENT 5

DESCRIPTION OF PROGRAM SERVICE THREE

RESEARCH & ANALYSIS - NONPARTISAN ANALYSIS, STUDY AND RESEARCH ON CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTIONS AND OTHER FINANCIAL TRANSACTIONS RELATED TO POLITICS, CANDIDATES AND ELECTED OFFICIALS, INCULDING SEVERAL PUBLICATIONS CONCERNING PACS, SO-CALLED "SOFTMONEY", ASSOCIATIONS BETWEEN CONTRIBUTIONS AND LEGISLATIVE VOTES AND CAMPAIGN SPENDING.

	GRANTS	EXPENSES
TO FORM 990, PART III, LINE C		478,115.

FORM 990 DEPRECIATION OF ASSETS NOT HELD FOR INVESTMENT STATEMENT 6

DESCRIPTION	COST OR OTHER BASIS	ACCUMULATED DEPRECIATION	BOOK VALUE
COMPUTER EQUIPMENT	438,097.	403,085.	35,012.
LEASEHOLD IMPROVEMENTS	22,171.	20,621.	1,550.
TOTAL TO FORM 990, PART IV, LN 57	460,268.	423,706.	36,562.

FORM 990 PART VIII - RELATIONSHIP OF ACTIVITIES TO ACCOMPLISHMENT OF EXEMPT PURPOSES STATEMENT 7

LINE	EXPLANATION OF RELATIONSHIP OF ACTIVITIES
ALL	INCOME REFLECTS CHARGES FOR EXEMPT-PURPOSE RELATED RESEARCH AND EDUCATIONAL SERVICES AND PUBLICATIONS, WHICH GENERALLY ARE BELOW THE CENTER'S COSTS AND REFLECT THE RECIPIENTS' ABILITY TO PAY. FEES ARE REDUCED OR WAIVED FOR INDIVIDUALS AND ORGANIZATIONS UNABLE TO AFFORD THE CENTER'S STANDARD CHARGES.

SCHEDULE A	OTHER INCOME			STATEMENT 8
DESCRIPTION	2001 AMOUNT	2000 AMOUNT	1999 AMOUNT	1998 AMOUNT
MISCELLANEOUS	6,344.	5,065.	10,605.	15,936.
TOTAL TO SCHEDULE A, LINE 22	6,344.	5,065.	10,605.	15,936.

Application for Extension of Time To File an Exempt Organization Return

OMB No 1545-1709

▶ File a separate application for each return

- If you are filing for an **Automatic 3-Month Extension**, complete only Part I and check this box
 - If you are filing for an **Additional (not automatic) 3-Month Extension**, complete only Part II (on page 2 of this form)
- Note.** Do not complete Part II unless you have already been granted an automatic 3-month extension on a previously filed Form 8868

Part I Automatic 3-Month Extension of Time - Only submit original (no copies needed)

Note Form 990-T corporations requesting an automatic 6-month extension - check this box and complete Part I only
 All other corporations (including Form 990-C filers) must use Form 7004 to request an extension of time to file income tax returns. Partnerships, REMICs and trusts must use Form 8736 to request an extension of time to file Form 1065, 1066, or 1041

Type or print	Name of Exempt Organization	Employer identification number
	CENTER FOR RESPONSIVE POLITICS	52-1275227
File by the due date for filing your return. See instructions	Number, street, and room or suite no. If a P O box, see instructions 1101 14TH STREET, NW, NO. 1030	
	City, town or post office, state, and ZIP code For a foreign address, see instructions WASHINGTON, DC 20005	

Check type of return to be filed (file a separate application for each return)

- | | | |
|--|--|------------------------------------|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form 990 | <input type="checkbox"/> Form 990-T (corporation) | <input type="checkbox"/> Form 4720 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Form 990-BL | <input type="checkbox"/> Form 990-T (sec 401(a) or 408(a) trust) | <input type="checkbox"/> Form 5227 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Form 990-EZ | <input type="checkbox"/> Form 990-T (trust other than above) | <input type="checkbox"/> Form 6069 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Form 990-PF | <input type="checkbox"/> Form 1041 A | <input type="checkbox"/> Form 8870 |

- If the organization does not have an office or place of business in the United States, check this box
- If this is for a **Group Return**, enter the organization's four digit Group Exemption Number (GEN) _____ If this is for the **whole group**, check this box If it is for part of the group, check this box and attach a list with the names and EINs of all members the extension will cover

1 I request an automatic 3-month (6-month, for 990-T corporation) extension of time until AUGUST 15, 2003 to file the exempt organization return for the organization named above. The extension is for the organization's return for:
 ▶ calendar year 2002 or
 ▶ tax year beginning _____, and ending _____

2 If this tax year is for less than 12 months, check reason Initial return Final return Change in accounting period

3a If this application is for Form 990-BL, 990-PF, 990-T, 4720, or 6069, enter the tentative tax, less any nonrefundable credits. See instructions \$ _____

b If this application is for Form 990-PF or 990-T, enter any refundable credits and estimated tax payments made. Include any prior year overpayment allowed as a credit \$ _____

c **Balance Due** Subtract line 3b from line 3a. Include your payment with this form, or, if required, deposit with FTD coupon or, if required, by using EFTPS (Electronic Federal Tax Payment System). See instructions \$ N/A

Signature and Verification

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined this form, including accompanying schedules and statements, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete, and that I am authorized to prepare this form.

Signature ▶ [Signature] Title ▶ CFA Date ▶ 5/6/03

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