

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

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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 beginning 7/01/02, and ending 6/30/03

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

Please use IRS label or print or type
See Specific Instructions

C Name of organization
NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE ASSOC ASSOCIATION

Number and street (or P.O. box if mail is not delivered to street address) Room/suite
1010 WISCONSIN AVENUE, NW 200

City or town, state or country and ZIP + 4
WASHINGTON DC 20007

D Employer ID number
23-7447365

E Telephone number
202-333-9075

F Accounting method Cash Accrual Other (specify)

Section 501(c)(3) organizations and 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts must attach a completed Schedule A (Form 990 or 990-EZ)

G Web site **www.refuge.net.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 no. of affiliates

H(c) Are all affiliates included? Yes No (If "No," list all in See instr.)

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

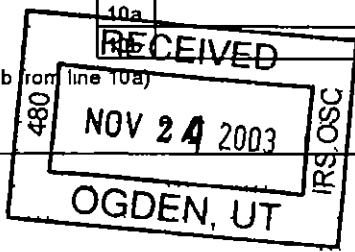
I Enter 4-digit GEN

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

L Gross receipts Add lines 6b, 8b, 9b, and 10b to line 12 **604,547**

Part I Revenue, Expenses, and Changes in Net Assets or Fund Balances (See page 17 of the instructions)

1	Contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts received				
a	Direct public support	1a	289,796		
b	Indirect public support	1b	33,104		
c	Government contributions (grants)	1c	165,022		
d	Total (add lines 1a through 1c) (cash \$ <u>487,922</u> noncash \$ _____)	1d		487,922	
2	Program service revenue including government fees and contracts (from Part VII, line 93)	2		86,055	
3	Membership dues and assessments	3		29,940	
4	Interest on savings and temporary cash investments	4		630	
5	Dividends and interest from securities	5			
6a	Gross rents	6a			
b	Less rental expenses	6b			
c	Net rental income or (loss) (subtract line 6b from line 6a)	6c			
7	Other investment income (describe _____)	7			
8a	Gross amount from sales 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		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			
c	Net income or (loss) from special events (subtract line 9b from line 9a)	9c			
10a	Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances	10a			
b	Less cost of goods sold				
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			
12	Total revenue (add lines 1d, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6c, 7, 8d, 9c, 10c, and 11)	12		604,547	
13	Program services (from line 44, column (B))	13		488,095	
14	Management and general (from line 44, column (C))	14		29,209	
15	Fundraising (from line 44, column (D))	15		7,864	
16	Payments to affiliates (attach schedule)	16			
17	Total expenses (add lines 16 and 44, column (A))	17		525,168	
18	Excess or (deficit) for the year (subtract line 17 from line 12)	18		79,379	
19	Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (from line 73, column (A))	19		86,227	
20	Other changes in net assets or fund balances (attach explanation)	20		682	
21	Net assets or fund balances at end of year (combine lines 18, 19, and 20)	21		166,288	



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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. (See page 21 of the instructions.)

Do not include amounts reported on line 6b, 8b, 9b, 10b, or 16 of Part I	(A) Total	(B) Program services	(C) Management and general	(D) Fundraising
22 Grants and allocations (attach schedule) (cash \$ _____ non-cash \$ _____)	22			
23 Specific assistance to individuals	23			
24 Benefits paid to or for members	24			
25 Compensation of officers, directors, etc	25	99,669	2,990	1,993
26 Other salaries and wages	26	60,434	13,731	11
27 Pension plan contributions	27	6,758	821	19
28 Other employee benefits	28	10,430	1,266	30
29 Payroll taxes	29	13,703	1,664	39
30 Professional fundraising fees	30			
31 Accounting fees	31	6,089	740	17
32 Legal fees	32			
33 Supplies	33	6,420	747	18
34 Telephone	34	7,488	871	20
35 Postage and shipping	35	4,835	419	10
36 Occupancy	36	19,450	2,359	56
37 Equipment rental and maintenance	37	4,028	482	11
38 Printing and publications	38	32,882		
39 Travel	39	7,100	21	446
40 Conferences, conventions, and meetings	40	194,018	1,381	33
41 Interest	41	23	3	
42 Depreciation, depletion, etc (attach schedule)	42	2,850	346	8
43 Other expenses not covered above (itemize) a	43a			
b See Statement 2	43b	48,991	1,368	5,153
c	43c			
d	43d			
e	43e			
44 Total functional expenses (add lines 22 - 43) Organizations completing columns (B)-(D), carry these totals to lines 13-15	44	525,168	29,209	7,864

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 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 (See page 24 of the instructions)

What is the organization's primary exempt purpose?	Program Service Expenses (Required for 501(c)(3) & (4) orgs & 4947(a)(1) trusts, but optional for others)
<p>► REFUGE SYSTEM PROTECTION</p> <p>All organizations must describe their exempt purpose achievements in a clear and concise manner. State the number of clients served, publications issued, etc. Discuss achievements that are not measurable (Section 501(c)(3) and (4) organizations and 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts must also enter the amount of grants and allocations to others.)</p>	
a See Statement 3	
(Grants and allocations \$ _____)	269,099
b See Statement 4	
(Grants and allocations \$ _____)	3,764
c See Statement 5	
(Grants and allocations \$ _____)	33,948
d See Statement 6	
(Grants and allocations \$ _____)	181,284
e Other program services (attach schedule)	488,095
(Grants and allocations \$ _____)	488,095
f Total of Program Service Expenses (should equal line 44, column (B), Program services)	488,095

Part IV Balance Sheets (See page 24 of the instructions)

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
45	Cash - non-interest-bearing	78,937	45	161,320
46	Savings and temporary cash investments		46	
47a	Accounts receivable			
	b Less allowance for doubtful accounts		47c	
48a	Pledges receivable			
	b Less allowance for doubtful accounts		48c	
49	Grants receivable		49	6,900
50	Receivables from officers, directors, trustees, and key employees (attach schedule)		50	
51a	Other notes and loans receivable (attach schedule)			
	b Less allowance for doubtful accounts		51c	
52	Inventories for sale or use	3,353	52	212
53	Prepaid expenses and deferred charges	8,580	53	1,927
54	Investments-securities See Stmt 7 <input type="checkbox"/> Cost <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> FMV		54	2,413
55a	Investments-land, buildings, and equipment basis			
	b Less accumulated depreciation (attach schedule)		55c	
56	Investments-other (attach schedule)		56	
57a	Land, buildings, and equipment basis	25,191		
	b Less accumulated depreciation (attach schedule) See Stmt 8	18,109	57c	7,082
58	Other assets (describe See Stmt 9)	1,422	58	1,422
59	Total assets (add lines 45 through 58) (must equal line 74)	97,020	59	181,276
60	Accounts payable and accrued expenses	10,793	60	14,988
61	Grants payable		61	
62	Deferred revenue		62	
63	Loans from officers, directors, trustees, and key employees (attach schedule)		63	
64a	Tax-exempt bond liabilities (attach schedule)		64a	
	b Mortgages and other notes payable (attach schedule)		64b	
65	Other liabilities (describe)		65	
66	Total liabilities (add lines 60 through 65)	10,793	66	14,988
Organizations that follow SFAS 117, check here <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 67 through 69 and lines 73 and 74				
67	Unrestricted	86,227	67	160,888
68	Temporarily restricted		68	5,400
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)	86,227	73	166,288
74	Total liabilities and net assets / fund balances (add lines 66 and 73)	97,020	74	181,276

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 IV-A Reconciliation of Revenue per Audited Financial Statements with Revenue per Return (See page 26 of the instructions)

Part IV-B Reconciliation of Expenses per Audited Financial Statements with Expenses per Return

a	Total revenue, gains, & other support per audited financial statements	a	605,229
b	Amounts included on line a but not on line 12, Form 990		
	(1) Net unrealized gains on investments \$ 682		
	(2) Donated services and use of facilities \$		
	(3) Recoveries of prior year grants \$		
	(4) Other (specify)		
	\$		
	Add amounts on lines (1) through (4)	b	682
c	Line a minus line b	c	604,547
d	Amounts included on line 12, Form 990 but not on line a		
	(1) Investment expenses not included on line 6b, Form 990 \$		
	(2) Other (specify)		
	\$		
	Add amounts on lines (1) and (2)	d	
e	Total revenue per line 12, Form 990 (line c plus line d)	e	604,547

a	Total expenses and losses per audited financial statements	a	525,168
b	Amounts included on line a but not on line 17, Form 990		
	(1) Donated services and use of facilities \$		
	(2) Prior year adjustments reported on line 20, Form 990 \$		
	(3) Losses reported on line 20, Form 990 \$		
	(4) Other (specify)		
	\$		
	Add amounts on lines (1) through (4)	b	
c	Line a minus line b	c	525,168
d	Amounts included on line 17, Form 990 but not on line a		
	(1) Investment expenses not included on line 6b, Form 990 \$		
	(2) Other (specify)		
	\$		
	Add amounts on lines (1) and (2)	d	
e	Total expenses per line 17, Form 990 (line c plus line d)	e	525,168

Part V List of Officers, Directors, Trustees, and Key Employees (List each one even if not compensated, see page 26 of the instructions)

(A) Name and address	(B) Title and average hours per week devoted to position	(C) Compensation (If not paid, enter -0-)	(D) Contrib to employee benefit plans & deferred compensation	(E) Expense account and other allowances
EVAN HIRSCH CHEVY CHASE, MD	PRESIDENT 40 HRS	99,669	4,983	0
ATTACHED STATEMENT 9a ALL SERVE W/O		0	0	0
COMPENSATION		0	0	0

75 Did any officer, director, trustee, or key employee receive aggregate compensation of more than \$100,000 from your organization and all related organizations, of which more than \$10,000 was provided by the related organizations? Yes No
If "Yes," attach schedule-see page 26 of the instructions

Part VI Other Information (See page 27 of the instructions)

		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
78a	Did the organization have unrelated business gross inc 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?	78b	
79	Was there a liquidation, dissolution, termination, or substantial contraction during the year? If "Yes," attach a statement	79	X
80a	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		
81a	Enter direct or indirect political expenditures See line 81 instr	81a	
b	Did the organization file Form 1120-POL for this year?	N/A	81b
82a	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?	N/A	82a
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	
83a	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
84a	Did the organization solicit any contributions or gifts that were not tax deductible?	84a	X
b	If "Yes," did the organization include with every solicitation an express statement that such contributions or gifts were not tax deductible?	84b	X
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? 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	N/A	85b
c	Dues, assessments, and similar amounts from members	85c	
d	Section 162(e) lobbying and political expenditures	85d	
e	Aggregate nondeductible amount of section 6033(e)(1)(A) dues notices	85e	
f	Taxable amount of lobbying and political expenditures (line 85d less 85e)	85f	
g	Does the organization elect to pay the section 6033(e) tax on the amount in 85f?	N/A	85g
h	If section 6033(e)(1)(A) dues notices were sent, does the organization agree to add the amount in 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) orgs Enter a Initiation fees and capital contributions included on line 12	86a	
b	Gross receipts, included on line 12, for public use of club facilities	86b	
87	501(c)(12) orgs Enter a Gross income from members or shareholders	87a	
b	Gross income from other sources (Do not net amounts due or paid to other sources against amounts due or received from them)	87b	
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
89a	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) orgs 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
90a	List the states with which a copy of this return is filed	See Statement 9b	
b	Number of employees employed in the pay period that includes March 12, 2002 (See instructions)	90b	3
91	The books are in care of THE CORPORATION Located at WASHINGTON, DC	Telephone no 202-333-9075 ZIP + 4 20007	
92	Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts filing Form 990 in lieu of Form 1041- Check here and enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the tax year	92	

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

	Unrelated business income		Excluded by sec 512 513 or 514		(E) Related or exempt function income
	(A) Business code	(B) Amount	(C) Exclusion code	(D) Amount	
Note Enter gross amounts unless otherwise indicated					
93 Program service revenue					
a Conference Reg Fees					86,055
b					
c					
d					
e					
f Medicare/Medicaid payments					
g Fees and contracts from government agencies					
94 Membership dues and assessments					29,940
95 Interest on savings and temporary cash investments			14	630	
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					
b					
c					
d					
e					
104 Subtotal (add columns (B), (D), and (E))		0		630	115,995
105 Total (add line 104, columns (B), (D), and (E))					116,625

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)
94	THE PROCEEDS FROM THESE ACTIVITIES PROVIDE THE SEMIANNUAL NEWSLETTER AND WEBSITE OUR MEMBERS USE TO KEEP INFORMED ABOUT THE ISSUES AFFECTING THE REFUGE SYSTEM AND HOW THEY CAN ASSIST.

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

Note If "Yes" to (b), file Form 8870 and Form 4720 (see instructions)

Under penalties of perjury I declare that I have examined this return, including accompanying schedules and statements, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete Declaration of preparer (other than officer) is based on all information of which preparer has any knowledge

Date 11/17/02

SCHEDULE A
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

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.)

OMB No 1545-0047

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

Name of the organization

**NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE ASSOC
ASSOCIATION**

Employer identification number

23-7447365

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 ben plans & deferred compensation	(e) Expense account and other allowances
None				
Total number of other employees paid over \$50,000 ▶				

Part II Compensation of the Five Highest Paid Independent Contractors for Professional Services
(See page 2 of the instr 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 ▶		

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Schedule A (Form 990 or 990-EZ) 2002

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 \$ 2,901 (Must equal amount on line 38, Part VI-A, or line I 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 exp if more than \$1,000)?	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		

See Stmt 10

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.

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in)	(a) 2001	(b) 2000	(c) 1999	(d) 1998	(e) Total
15 Gifts, grants, and contributions received (Do not include unusual grants See line 28)	350,069	120,302	377,569	394,280	1,242,220
16 Membership fees received	29,390	12,369	29,303	19,895	90,957
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	44,060	2,935	37,148		84,143
18 Gross inc from int, dividends, amounts received from pymt on securities loans (section 512(a)(5)) rents royalties, & unrelated busn taxable inc (less sec 511 taxes) from businesses acquired by the organization after June 30 1975	406	268	144	577	1,395
19 Net income from unrelated business activities not included in line 18					
20 Tax revn levied for the organization's ben & either paid to it or expended on its behalf					
21 The value of serv or fac furnished to the org by a governmental unit without charge Do not incl the value of serv or fac gen erally furnished to the public without charge					
22 Other income Attach a schedule Do not include gain or (loss) from sale of cap assets					
23 Total of lines 15 through 22	423,925	135,874	444,164	414,752	1,418,715
24 Line 23 minus line 17	379,865	132,939	407,016	414,752	1,334,572
25 Enter 1% of line 23	4,239	1,359	4,442	4,148	

26 Organizations described on lines 10 or 11	a Enter 2% of amount in column (e), line 24	26a	26,691
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 total of all these excess amounts		26b	6,754
c Total support for section 509(a)(1) test Enter line 24, column (e)		26c	1,334,572
d Add Amounts from column (e) for lines 18 <u>1,395</u> 19 <u> </u> 22 <u> </u> 26b <u>6,754</u>		26d	8,149
e Public support (line 26c minus line 26d total)		26e	1,326,423
f Public support percentage (line 26e (numerator) divided by line 26c (denominator))		26f	99.3894%

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

(2001) (2000) (1999) (1998)
 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

(2001) (2000) (1999) (1998)	
c Add Amounts from column (e) for lines 15 <u> </u> 16 <u> </u> 17 <u> </u> 20 <u> </u> 21 <u> </u>	27c
d Add Line 27a total <u> </u> and line 27b total <u> </u>	27d
e Public support (line 27c total minus line 27d total)	27e
f Total support for section 509(a)(2) test Enter amount on line 23, column (e) <u> </u>	27f
g Public support percentage (line 27e (numerator) divided by line 27f (denominator))	27g %
h Investment income percentage (line 18, column (e) (numerator) divided by line 27f (denominator))	27h %

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)

(To be completed ONLY by schools that checked the box on line 6 in Part IV)

	N/A	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?	29		
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?	30		
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)	31		
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?	32d		
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?	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?	33h		
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?	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		

Part VI-A Lobbying Expenditures by Electing Public Charities (See page 9 of the instructions)
 (To be completed ONLY by an eligible organization that filed Form 5768) **N/A**

Check a if the organization belongs to an affiliated group Check b if you checked "a" 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	
37	Total lobbying expenditures to influence a legislative body (direct lobbying)	37	
38	Total lobbying expenditures (add lines 36 and 37)	38	
39	Other exempt purpose expenditures	39	
40	Total exempt purpose expenditures (add lines 38 and 39)	40	
41	Lobbying nontaxable amount Enter the amount from the following 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	41
	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	
42	Grassroots nontaxable amount (enter 25% of line 41)	42	
43	Subtract line 42 from line 36 Enter -0- if line 42 is more than line 36	43	
44	Subtract line 41 from line 38 Enter -0- if line 41 is more than line 38	44	

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 11 of the instructions)

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in)	Lobbying Expenditures During 4-Year Averaging Period				
	(a) 2002	(b) 2001	(c) 2000	(d) 1999	(e) Total
45	Lobbying nontaxable amount				
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

(For reporting only by organizations that did not complete Part VI-A) (See page 11 of the instr)

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
X		
X		
	X	
	X	
	X	
	X	
X		
	X	2,901
		2,901

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

Federal Statements

Statement 1 - Form 990, Line 20 - Other Changes in Net Assets or Fund Balances

<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>
UNREALIZED GAIN ON INVESTMENTS	\$ 682
Total	\$ 682

Federal Statements**Statement 2 - Form 990, Part II, Line 43 - Other Functional Expenses**

Description	Total Expenses	Program Service	Mgt & General	Fund- Raising
	\$	\$	\$	\$
Expenses				
AWARDS PROGRAM	19,877	19,853	23	1
CONSULTING	6,938	1,900		5,038
DUES & SUBS	850	686	79	85
INSURANCE	1,965	1,721	239	5
LICENSE & FEES	6,429	5,649	762	18
WEB SITE EXPENSE	3,011	3,002	9	
REGIONAL REPRESENTATIVES	3,626	3,626		
MISCELLANEOUS	2,531	2,269	256	6
MEMBERSHIP DRIVE	3,764	3,764		
Total	\$ 48,991	\$ 42,470	\$ 1,368	\$ 5,153

Statement 3 - Form 990, Part III, Line a - Statement of Program Service Accomplishments

CONSERVATION - CONDUCT RESEARCH, PROVIDE INFORMATION AND ASSISTANCE TO REFUGES, THE PUBLIC AND DECISION MAKERS TO BENEFIT REFUGES AND TO STIMULATE ACTION TO PROTECT AND IMPROVE THE SYSTEM

Statement 4 - Form 990, Part III, Line b - Statement of Program Service Accomplishments

MEMBERSHIP - PROVIDE MEMBERS WITH VISITORS GUIDE TO REFUGE AND OTHER MEMBERSHIP INCENTIVES. ISSUE ACTIVITY UPDATE/RENEWAL NOTICES. MAINTAIN MEMBERSHIP RECORDS AND ANSWER QUESTIONS.

Statement 5 - Form 990, Part III, Line c - Statement of Program Service Accomplishments

EDUCATION - INCREASE PUBLIC UNDERSTANDING AND APPRECIATION OF NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE SYSTEM THROUGH SEMI-ANNUAL NEWSLETTER. RESPOND TO WILDLIFE INQUIRIES AND PROVIDE REFUGE FACT SHEETS AND REFERENCE LISTS TO ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATORS ON REQUEST. SPOKE AT NUMEROUS FWS AND FRIENDS EVENTS ON REFUGE SYSTEM POLICY ISSUES. PRODUCED BROCHURE ENTITLED "SILENT INVASION" WHICH DETAILED THE INVASIVE SPECIES CRISIS OF THE REFUGE SYSTEM

Statement 6 - Form 990, Part III, Line d - Statement of Program Service Accomplishments

FRIENDS INITIATIVE - INCREASE THE NUMBER OF REFUGE FRIENDS GROUPS NATIONWIDE, PROVIDE TRAINING AND NETWORKING OPPORTUNITIES AND PROMOTE THE CONTINUED PROTECTION AND ENHANCEMENT OF THE NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE SYSTEM. HELD 2nd ANNUAL FRIENDS CONFERENCE IN WASHINGTON DC WHICH DREW MORE THAN 370 REFUGE REPRESENTATIVES AND 46 STATES WERE ALSO REPRESENTED. THIS CONFERENCE'S GOAL IS TO BUILD LOCAL SUPPORT FOR REFUGES.

Federal Statements**Statement 7 - Form 990, Part IV, Line 54 - Investments in Securities**

Description	Beginning of Year	End of Year	Basis of Valuation
US and State Government Common Stock		2,413	Market
		2,413	

Statement 8 - Form 990, Part IV, Line 57 - Land, Buildings, and Equipment

Description	Beginning of Year	Accum Deprec	End of Year	Accum Deprec
FURNITURE	\$ 6,488	\$ 6,385	\$ 6,488	\$ 6,488
COMPUTER EQUIPMENT	13,499	8,874	18,703	11,621
Total	\$ 19,987	\$ 15,259	\$ 25,191	\$ 18,109

Statement 9 - Form 990, Part IV, Line 58 - Other Assets

Description	Beginning of Year	End of Year
SECURITY DEPOSIT	\$ 1,422	\$ 1,422
Total	\$ 1,422	\$ 1,422

**Statement 10 - Schedule A, Part III, Line 2d - Payment of Compensation / Reimbursement of
Exp**

The Executive Director and board members were reimbursed for documented expenses relating to business expenses in the amount of \$7,255.

National Wildlife Refuge Association

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Statement 9a Form 990, Part V List of Officers, Directors, Trustees

NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE ASSOCIATION 2003 Board of Directors

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Form 990 - Statement 9b

Part VI - Line 90 (a) - List of States

ALASKA
ALABAMA
ARKANSAS
ARIZONA
CALIFORNIA
COLORADO
CONNECTICUT
FLORIDA
GEORGIA
KANSAS
KENTUCKY
MAINE
MARYLAND
MASSACHUSETTS
MINNESOTA
MISSISSIPPI
MISSOURI
NEW MEXICO
NEW HAMPSHIRE
NEW JERSEY
NEW YORK
NORTH CAROLINA
NORTH DAKOTA
OHIO
OKLAHOMA
OREGON
PENNSYLVANIA
RHODE ISLAND
SOUTH CAROLINA
TENNESSEE
UTAH
VIRGINIA
WASHINGTON
WASHINGTON, DC
WEST VIRGINIA
WISCONSIN