

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)

Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service

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

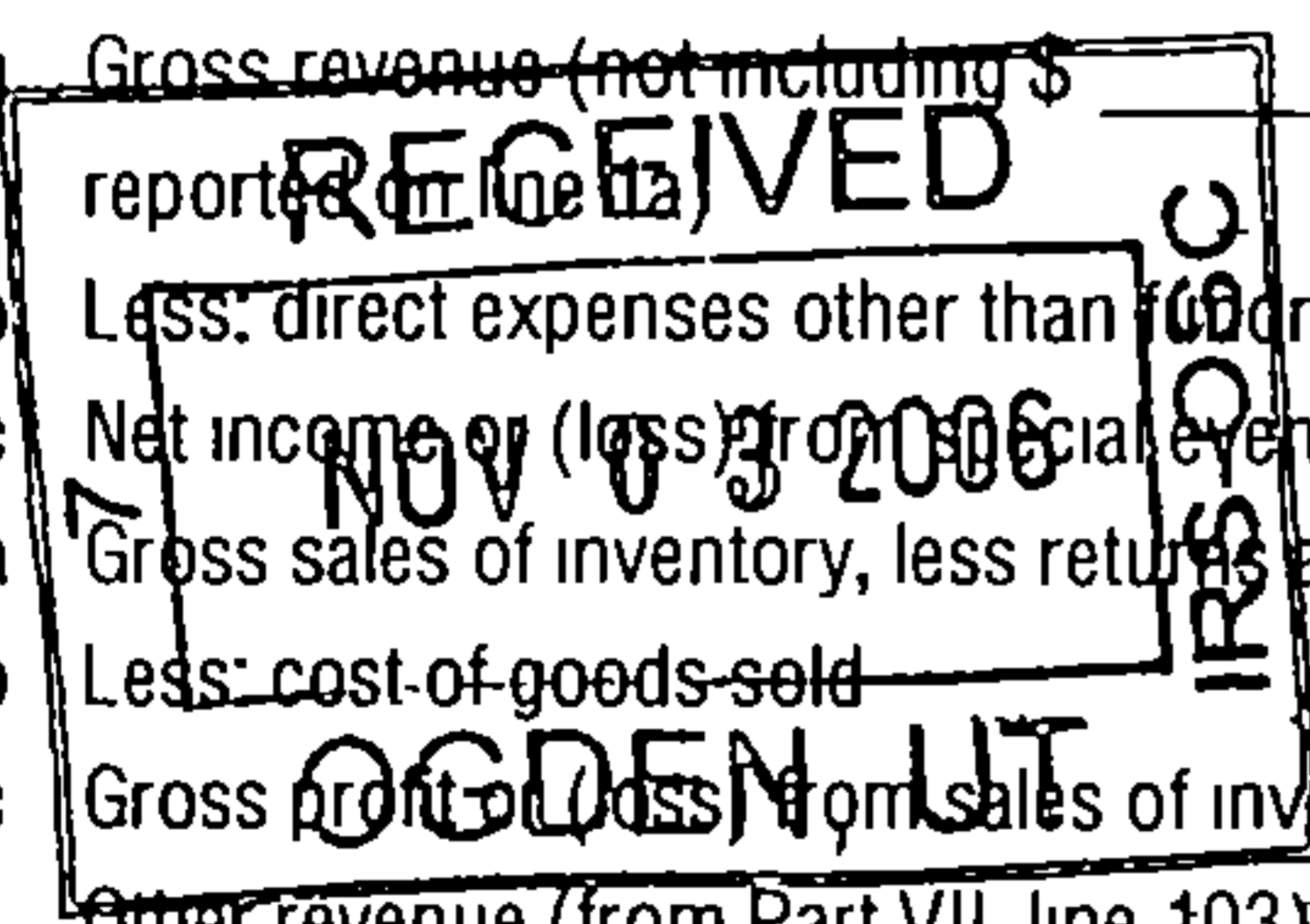
Form 990 header section A-M. Includes fields for organization name (CENTER FOR RESPONSIVE POLITICS), address (1101 14TH STREET, NW WASHINGTON, DC 20005), EIN (52-1275227), and website (WWW.OPENSECRETS.ORG).

L Gross receipts: Add lines 6b, 8b, 9b, and 10b to line 12 1,274,640.

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

Table with 21 rows and multiple columns. Rows include Revenue (1-12), Expenses (13-17), and Net Assets (18-21). Total revenue is 1,274,479 and total expenses are 1,076,552.

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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

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 \$ <u>0</u> , noncash \$ <u>0</u>) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here <input type="checkbox"/>					
23	Specific assistance to individuals (attach schedule)					
24	Benefits paid to or for members (attach schedule)					
25	Compensation of officers, directors, etc **	140,793.	42,238.	70,397.	28,158.	
26	Other salaries and wages	564,500.	553,852.	7,605.	3,043.	
27	Pension plan contributions	22,675.	22,606.	49.	20.	
28	Other employee benefits	71,286.	68,662.	1,874.	750.	
29	Payroll taxes	50,473.	43,407.	5,047.	2,019.	
30	Professional fundraising fees					
31	Accounting fees	16,664.	14,331.	1,666.	667.	
32	Legal fees	637.	548.	64.	25.	
33	Supplies	3,327.	2,861.	333.	133.	
34	Telephone	8,687.	7,471.	869.	347.	
35	Postage and shipping	2,033.	1,749.	203.	81.	
36	Occupancy	104,821.	90,146.	10,482.	4,193.	
37	Equipment rental and maintenance	1,324.	1,139.	132.	53.	
38	Printing and publications	3,890.	3,345.	389.	156.	
39	Travel	9,396.	6,859.		2,537.	
40	Conferences, conventions, and meetings	3,213.	2,763.	321.	129.	
41	Interest					
42	Depreciation, depletion, etc (attach schedule)	19,995.	17,196.	2,000.	799.	
43	Other expenses not covered above (itemize)					
a		43a				
b		43b				
c		43c				
d		43d				
e		43e				
f		43f				
g	SEE STATEMENT 2	43g	52,838.	47,786.	2,421.	2,631.
44	Total functional expenses. Add lines 22 through 43 (Organizations completing columns (B)-(D), carry these totals to lines 13-15)	44	1,076,552.	926,959.	103,852.	45,741.

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 \$ N/A , (ii) the amount allocated to Program services \$ N/A ; (iii) the amount allocated to Management and general \$ N/A ; and (iv) the amount allocated to Fundraising \$ N/A

** SEE STATEMENT 3

Part III Statement of Program Service Accomplishments (See the instructions)

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.

What is the organization's primary exempt purpose? ► SEE STATEMENT 4	Program Service Expenses
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.)	(Required for 501(c)(3) and (4) orgs., and 4947(a)(1) trusts; but optional for others.)
a <u>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.</u> (Grants and allocations \$ _____) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here ► <input type="checkbox"/>	488,484.
b <u>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 INFORMATION RESOURCE TO THE PUBLIC, THE PRESS AND ACADEMIA.</u> (Grants and allocations \$ _____) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here ► <input type="checkbox"/>	31,798.
c <u>RESEARCH & ANALYSIS - NON PARTISAN ANALYSIS, STUDY AND RESEARCH ON CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTIONS AND OTHER FINANCIAL TRANSACTIONS RELATED TO POLITICS, CANDIDATES, AND ELECTED OFFICIALS, INCLUDING SEVERAL PUBLICATIONS CONCERNING PACS, SO-CALLED "SOFT MONEY" ASSOCIATIONS BETWEEN CONTRIBUTIONS AND LEGISLATIVE COSTS AND CAMPAIGN SPENDING.</u> (Grants and allocations \$ _____) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here ► <input type="checkbox"/>	406,677.
d (Grants and allocations \$ _____) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here ► <input type="checkbox"/>	
e Other program services (attach schedule) (Grants and allocations \$ _____) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here ► <input type="checkbox"/>	
f Total of Program Service Expenses (should equal line 44, column (B), Program services) ►	926,959.

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Part IV Balance Sheets (See 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		
Assets	45	Cash - non-interest bearing	81,518.	45	149,206.	
	46	Savings and temporary cash investments	870,532.	46	670,985.	
	47 a	Accounts receivable	47a	399.		
	b	Less allowance for doubtful accounts	47b		47c	399.
	48 a	Pledges receivable	48a			
	b	Less allowance for doubtful accounts	48b		48c	
	49	Grants receivable	738,500.	49	1,087,000.	
	50	Receivables from officers, directors, trustees, and key employees		50		
	51 a	Other notes and loans receivable	51a			
	b	Less allowance for doubtful accounts	51b		51c	
	52	Inventories for sale or use		52		
	53	Prepaid expenses and deferred charges	28,185.	53	26,172.	
	54	Investments - securities		54		
	55 a	Investments - land, buildings, and equipment basis	55a			
	b	Less accumulated depreciation	55b		55c	
56	Investments - other		56			
57 a	Land, buildings, and equipment basis	57a	508,883.			
b	Less accumulated depreciation STMT 5	57b	485,479.	57c	23,404.	
58	Other assets (describe ▶ DEPOSITS)		28,885.	58	28,885.	
59	Total assets (must equal line 74) Add lines 45 through 58	1,782,351.	59	1,986,051.		
Liabilities	60	Accounts payable and accrued expenses	33,183.	60	38,956.	
	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		
	b	Mortgages and other notes payable		64b		
	65	Other liabilities (describe ▶)		65		
66	Total liabilities. Add lines 60 through 65)	33,183.	66	38,956.		
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	885,668.	67	897,095.	
	68	Temporarily restricted	863,500.	68	1,050,000.	
	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)	1,749,168.	73	1,947,095.		
74	Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances. Add lines 66 and 73	1,782,351.	74	1,986,051.		

Part VI Other Information (continued)		Yes	No
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?		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?	X	
b	Did the organization comply with the disclosure requirements relating to quid pro quo contributions?	X	
84 a	Did the organization solicit any contributions or gifts that were not tax deductible?		
	N/A		
b	If "Yes," did the organization include with every solicitation an express statement that such contributions or gifts were not tax deductible?		
	N/A		
85	501(c)(4), (5), or (6) organizations a Were substantially all dues nondeductible by members?		
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		
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		
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		
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		X
89 a	501(c)(3) organizations Enter Amount of tax imposed on the organization during the year under section 4911 0.; section 4912 0.; section 4955 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		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 DC		
b	Number of employees employed in the pay period that includes March 12, 2005	90b	13
91 a	The books are in care of THE ORGANIZATION Telephone no. (202) 857-0044 Located at 1101 14TH STREET, NW, WASHINGTON, DC ZIP + 4 20005		
b	At any time during the calendar year, did the organization have an interest in or a signature or other authority over a financial account in a foreign country (such as a bank account, securities account, or other financial account)? If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country N/A See the instructions for exceptions and filing requirements for Form TD F 90-22.1, Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts	91b	X
c	At any time during the calendar year, did the organization maintain an office outside of the United States? If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country N/A	91c	X
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	N/A

Part VII Analysis of Income-Producing Activities (See 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					21,093.
b PUBLICATION SALES					703.
c					
d					
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	28,234.	
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			03	649.	
103 Other revenue					
a MISCELLANEOUS					9,616.
b					
c					
d					
e					
104 Subtotal (add columns (B), (D), and (E))		0.		28,883.	31,412.
105 Total (add line 104, columns (B), (D), and (E))					60,295.

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 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).
93A	FEES FROM EXEMPT-PURPOSE RELATED RESEARCH AND EDUCATIONAL SERVICES.
93B	REVENUE FROM SALES OF PROGRAM RELATED PUBLICATIONS.
103A	MISCELLANEOUS REVENUE FROM ACTIVITIES RELATED TO THE ORGANIZATION'S EXEMPT PURPOSE.

Part IX Information Regarding Taxable Subsidiaries and Disregarded Entities (See 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 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)

Please Sign Here: 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.

Signature of officer: Sheila Krumholz Date: 10/31/06 Type or print name and title: Sheila Krumholz, Acting Exec Director

Paid Preparer's Use Only: Preparer's signature: Jim McHugh Date: 10/26/06 Check if self-employed: Preparer's SSN or PTIN: _____

Firm's name (or yours if self-employed), address, and ZIP + 4: GELMAN, ROSENBERG & FREEDMAN
4550 MONTGOMERY AVE., SUITE 650 NORTH
BETHESDA, MARYLAND 20814-2930 EIN: _____

Phone no.: (301) 951-9090

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 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**

OMB No 1545-0047

2005

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
SUSAN ALGER ALL IN C/O THE ORGANIZATION	IT DIRECTOR 40.00	82,500.	6,706.	
SHEILA KRUMHOLZ	RSCH DIR 40.00	77,000.	15,014.	
JIHAN ANDONI	DATABSE MGR 40.00	61,500.	14,510.	
Total number of other employees paid over \$50,000 ▶	0			

Part II-A 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 II-B Compensation of the Five Highest Paid Independent Contractors for Other Services
(List each contractor who performed services other than professional services, whether individuals or firms. If there are none, enter "None." See page 2 of the instructions.)

(a) Name and address of each independent contractor paid more than \$50,000	(b) Type of service	(c) Compensation
NONE		
Total number of other contractors receiving over \$50,000 for other 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 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 expenses if more than \$1,000)? SEE PART V-A, FORM 990	X	
e	Transfer of any part of its income or assets?		X
3 a	Do you make grants for scholarships, fellowships, student loans, etc ? (If "Yes," attach an explanation of how you determine that recipients qualify to receive payments.)		X
b	Do you have a section 403(b) annuity plan for your employees?	X	
c	During the year, did the organization receive a contribution of qualified real property interest under section 170(h)?		X
4 a	Did you maintain any separate account for participating donors where donors have the right to provide advice on the use or distribution of funds?		X
b	Do you provide credit counseling, debt management, credit repair, or debt negotiation services?		X

Part IV Reason for Non-Private Foundation Status (See pages 3 through 6 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) sections 501(c)(4), (5), or (6), if they meet the test of section 509(a)(2). Check the box that describes the type of supporting organization: Type 1 Type 2 Type 3

Provide the following information about the supported organizations. (See page 6 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 6 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) 2004	(b) 2003	(c) 2002	(d) 2001	(e) Total
15 Gifts, grants, and contributions received. (Do not include unusual grants. See line 28.)	924,935.	1,240,803.	578,376.	1,201,660.	3,945,774.
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	110,078.	69,175.	62,862.	36,398.	278,513.
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	15,292.	13,992.	25,254.	69,211.	123,749.
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	10,818.	6,334.	SEE STATEMENT 9 2,881.	6,344.	26,377.
23 Total of lines 15 through 22	1,061,123.	1,330,304.	669,373.	1,313,613.	4,374,413.
24 Line 23 minus line 17	951,045.	1,261,129.	606,511.	1,277,215.	4,095,900.
25 Enter 1% of line 23	10,611.	13,303.	6,694.	13,136.	
26 Organizations described on lines 10 or 11: a Enter 2% of amount in column (e), line 24					26a 81,918.
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 2001 through 2004 exceeded the amount shown in line 26a. Do not file this list with your return. Enter the total of all these excess amounts					26b 2,420,992.
c Total support for section 509(a)(1) test: Enter line 24, column (e)					26c 4,095,900.
d Add: Amounts from column (e) for lines: 18 123,749. 19 _____ 22 26,377. 26b 2,420,992.					26d 2,571,118.
e Public support (line 26c minus line 26d total)					26e 1,524,782.
f Public support percentage (line 26e (numerator) divided by line 26c (denominator))					26f 37.2270%
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 11b, 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 _____ 16 _____ 17 _____ 20 _____ 21 _____					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 2001 through 2004, 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	

Part VI-A Lobbying Expenditures by Electing Public Charities (See page 9 of the instructions.)

N/A

(To be completed ONLY by an eligible organization that filed Form 5768)

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 (The term "expenditures" means amounts paid or incurred.)		(a) Affiliated group totals	(b) To be completed for ALL electing organizations												
		N/A													
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 -														
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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.)

	Lobbying Expenditures During 4-Year Averaging Period				N/A
	(a) 2005	(b) 2004	(c) 2003	(d) 2002	(e) Total
45 Lobbying nontaxable amount					0.
46 Lobbying ceiling amount (150% of line 45(e))					0.
47 Total lobbying expenditures					0.
48 Grassroots nontaxable amount					0.
49 Grassroots ceiling amount (150% of line 48(e))					0.
50 Grassroots lobbying expenditures					0.

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 instructions.)

N/A

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
		0.

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

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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	486,712.			486,712.	443,313.		19,995.
2	LEASEHOLD IMPROVEMENTS	VARIABLES		43M	43	22,171.			22,171.	22,171.		0.
	* TOTAL 990 PAGE 2 DEPR & AMORT					508,883.		0.	508,883.	465,484.	0.	19,995.

FORM 990 .

INCOME AND COST OF GOODS SOLD
INCLUDED ON PART I, LINE 10

STATEMENT 1

INCOME

1. GROSS RECEIPTS	810	
2. RETURNS AND ALLOWANCES		
3. LINE 1 LESS LINE 2		810
4. COST OF GOODS SOLD (LINE 13)	161	
5. GROSS PROFIT (LINE 3 LESS LINE 4)		649

COST OF GOODS SOLD

6. INVENTORY AT BEGINNING OF YEAR	1,374	
7. MERCHANDISE PURCHASED		
8. COST OF LABOR		
9. MATERIALS AND SUPPLIES		
10. OTHER COSTS		
11. ADD LINES 6 THROUGH 10		1,374
12. INVENTORY AT END OF YEAR	1,213	
13. COST OF GOODS SOLD (LINE 11 LESS LINE 12).		161

FORM 990 .	OTHER EXPENSES			STATEMENT 2
DESCRIPTION	(A) TOTAL	(B) PROGRAM SERVICES	(C) MANAGEMENT AND GENERAL	(D) FUNDRAISING
CONSULTANTS	1,146.	1,123.	23.	
CONTRACTS WITH SERVICE BUREAU	2,490.	2,141.	249.	100.
INSURANCE	7,781.	6,692.	778.	311.
SUBSCRIPTIONS AND PUBLICATIONS	17,069.	16,045.		1,024.
MISCELLANEOUS	7,218.	6,185.	738.	295.
ONLINE SERVICE	10,798.	10,150.		648.
OUTREACH	781.	672.	78.	31.
COMPUTER EXPENSES	5,555.	4,778.	555.	222.
TOTAL TO FM 990, LN 43	52,838.	47,786.	2,421.	2,631.

FORM 990 OFFICER COMPENSATION ALLOCATION STATEMENT 3
PART II, LINE 25

NAME OF OFFICER, ETC.	COMPENSATION	EMPLOYEE BEN. PLANS	EXPENSE ACCOUNTS	TOTALS
LAWRENCE NOBLE	122,112.	18,081.	600.	140,793.
A. PROGRAM SERVICES	36,634.	5,424.	180.	42,238.
B. MANAGEMENT AND GENERAL	61,056.	9,041.	300.	70,397.
C. FUNDRAISING	24,422.	3,616.	120.	28,158.
TOTAL PROGRAM SERVICES				42,238.
TOTAL MANAGEMENT AND GENERAL				70,397.
TOTAL FUNDRAISING				28,158.
TOTAL OFFICER, ETC., COMPENSATION INCLUDED ON PARTS V-A AND V-B				140,793.

FORM 990 STATEMENT OF ORGANIZATION'S PRIMARY EXEMPT PURPOSE STATEMENT 4
PART III

EXPLANATION

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

FORM 990 DEPRECIATION OF ASSETS NOT HELD FOR INVESTMENT STATEMENT 5

DESCRIPTION	COST OR OTHER BASIS	ACCUMULATED DEPRECIATION	BOOK VALUE
COMPUTER EQUIPMENT	486,712.	463,308.	23,404.
LEASEHOLD IMPROVEMENTS	22,171.	22,171.	0.
TOTAL TO FORM 990, PART IV, LN 57	508,883.	485,479.	23,404.

FORM 990 . OTHER REVENUE NOT INCLUDED ON FORM 990 STATEMENT 6

DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
COST OF GOODS SOLD REPORTED AS EXPENSE ON FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND NETTED AGAINST REVENUE ON FROM 990, LINE 10C	161.
TOTAL TO FORM 990, PART IV-A	161.

FORM 990 OTHER EXPENSES NOT INCLUDED ON FORM 990 STATEMENT 7

DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
COST OF GOODS SOLD REPORTED AS EXPENSE ON FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND NETTED AGAINST REVENUE ON FORM 990, LINE 10C	161.
TOTAL TO FORM 990, PART IV-B	161.

FORM 990 PART V-A - LIST OF OFFICERS, DIRECTORS, TRUSTEES AND KEY EMPLOYEES STATEMENT 8

NAME AND ADDRESS	TITLE AND AVRG HRS/WK	COMPEN-SATION	EMPLOYEE BEN PLAN CONTRIB	EXPENSE ACCOUNT
LAWRENCE NOBLE ALL MAY BE CONTACTED AT THE ORGANIZATION'S ADDRESS	EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR 40.00	122,112.	18,081.	600.
PAUL HOFF	CHAIRMAN 2.00	0.	0.	0.
SONIA JARVIS	BOARD MEMBER 1.00	0.	0.	0.
HON. CHARLES MCC. MATHIAS	BOARD MEMBER 1.00	0.	0.	0.
ELLEN S. MILLER	BOARD MEMBER 1.00	0.	0.	0.

JOHN G. MURPHY	BOARD MEMBER 1.00	0.	0.	0.
SPENCER OVERTON	BOARD MEMBER 1.00	0.	0.	0.
FRANK P. REICHE	BOARD MEMBER 1.00	0.	0.	0.
WHITNEY NORTH SEYMOUR, JR.	BOARD MEMBER 1.00	0.	0.	0.
ROBERT A. WEINBERGER	BOARD MEMBER 1.00	0.	0.	0.
TOTALS INCLUDED ON FORM 990, PART V-A		122,112.	18,081.	600.

SCHEDULE A	OTHER INCOME			STATEMENT	9
DESCRIPTION	2004 AMOUNT	2003 AMOUNT	2002 AMOUNT	2001 AMOUNT	
MISCELLANEOUS	10,818.	6,334.	2,881.	6,344.	
TOTAL TO SCHEDULE A, LINE 22	10,818.	6,334.	2,881.	6,344.	

Application for Extension of Time To File an Exempt Organization Return

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

▶ 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)
- 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)

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.

Electronic Filing (e-file). Form 8868 can be filed electronically if you want a 3-month automatic extension of time to file one of the returns noted below (6 months for corporate Form 990-T filers). However, you cannot file it electronically if you want the additional (not automatic) 3-month extension, instead you must submit the fully completed signed page 2 (Part II) of Form 8868. For more details on the electronic filing of this form, visit www.irs.gov/efile.

Type or print File by the due date for filing your return. See instructions.	Name of Exempt Organization CENTER FOR RESPONSIVE POLITICS	Employer identification number 52-1275227
	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 |

- The books are in the care of ▶ **THE ORGANIZATION**
Telephone No. ▶ **(202) 857-0044** FAX No. ▶ _____
- 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-months for a Form 990-T corporation) extension of time until **AUGUST 15, 2006** to file the exempt organization return for the organization named above. The extension is for the organization's return for:
▶ calendar year **2005** 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**

Caution. If you are going to make an electronic fund withdrawal with this Form 8868, see Form 8453-EO and Form 8879-EO for payment instructions.

LHA For Privacy Act and Paperwork Reduction Act Notice, see instructions.

Form **8868** (Rev. 12-2004)

If you are filing for an Additional (not automatic) 3-Month Extension, complete only Part II and check this box

Note: Only complete Part II if you have already been granted an automatic 3-month extension on a previously filed Form 8868

If you are filing for an Automatic 3-Month Extension, complete only Part I (on page 1).

Part II Additional (not automatic) 3-Month Extension of Time - Must file Original and One Copy.

Table with 3 columns: Type or print, Name of Exempt Organization, Employer identification number, Number, street, and room or suite no, City, town or post office, state, and ZIP code.

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

Form with checkboxes for Form 990, Form 990-EZ, Form 990-T (sec 401(a) or 408(a) trust), Form 1041-A, Form 5227, Form 8870, Form 990-BL, Form 990-PF, Form 990-T (trust other than above), Form 4720, Form 6069.

STOP: Do not complete Part II if you were not already granted an automatic 3-month extension on a previously filed Form 8868.

- The books are in the care of THE ORGANIZATION Telephone No. (202) 857-0044 FAX No. 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).

4 I request an additional 3-month extension of time until NOVEMBER 15, 2006
5 For calendar year 2005, or other tax year beginning and ending
6 If this tax year is for less than 12 months, check reason: Initial return, Final return, Change in accounting period
7 State in detail why you need the extension ADDITIONAL TIME IS NEEDED FOR PREPARING A COMPLETE AND ACCURATE RETURN

8a 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, 990-T, 4720, or 6069, enter any refundable credits and estimated tax payments made
c Balance Due. Subtract line 8b from line 8a. 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

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 [Handwritten Signature] Title CPA Date 7/25/06

Notice to Applicant - To Be Completed by the IRS

- We have approved this application. Please attach this form to the organization's return.
We have not approved this application. However, we have granted a 10-day grace period from the later of the date shown below or the due date of the organization's return (including any prior extensions). This grace period is considered to be a valid extension of time for elections otherwise required to be made on a timely return. Please attach this form to the organization's return
We have not approved this application. After considering the reasons stated in item 7, we cannot grant your request for an extension of time to file. We are not granting a 10-day grace period.
We cannot consider this application because it was filed after the extended due date of the return for which an extension was requested
Other

Director By: Date

Alternate Mailing Address - Enter the address if you want the copy of this application for an additional 3-month extension returned to an address different than the one entered above.

Name GELMAN, ROSENBERG & FREEDMAN
Number and street (include suite, room, or apt. no.) or a P.O. box number 4550 MONTGOMERY AVE., SUITE 650 NORTH
City or town, province or state, and country (including postal or ZIP code) BETHESDA, MARYLAND 20814-2930

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