

EXTENSION GRANTED TO 11/16/09  
**Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax**

**2008**

**Open to Public Inspection**

Department of the Treasury  
 Internal Revenue Service

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

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

**A For the 2008 calendar year, or tax year beginning** , 2008, and ending , 20

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

**C Name of organization** WHATCOM MUSEUM SOCIETY  
 Doing Business As \_\_\_\_\_  
 Number and street (or P O box if mail is not delivered to street address) Room/suite  
121 PROSPECT  
 City or town, state or country, and ZIP + 4  
BELLINGHAM, WA 98225

**D Employer identification number**  
91 6174771

**E Telephone number**  
360 676-6981

**G Gross receipts** 1,238,252

**F Name and address of principal officer** CHERI WALKER  
121 PROSPECT ST BELLINGHAM, WA 98225

**H(a)** Is this a group return for affiliates?  Yes  No  
**H(b)** Are all affiliates included?  Yes  No  
 If "No," attach a list (see instructions)

**I Tax-exempt status**  501(c) (  (insert no.)  4947(a)(1) or  527

**J Website:** N/A

**K Type of organization**  Corporation  Trust  Association  Other

**L Year of formation** 1968 **M State of legal domicile** WA

**Part I Summary**

Activities & Governance	1	Briefly describe the organization's mission or most significant activities: <u>THE WHATCOM MUSEUM SOCIETY IS A NONPROFIT CORPORATION ORGANIZED IN THE STATE OF WASHINGTON IN 1968</u>		
	2	Check this box <input type="checkbox"/> if the organization discontinued its operations or disposed of more than 25% of its assets.		
	3	Number of voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1a)	3	16
	4	Number of independent voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1b)	4	16
	5	Total number of employees (Part V, line 2a)	5	34
	6	Total number of volunteers (estimate if necessary)	6	25
	7a	Total gross unrelated business revenue from Part VIII, line 2, column (C)	7a	0
	b Net unrelated business taxable income from Form 990-E, line 8	7b	0	
Revenue	8	Contributions and grants (Part VIII, line 1h)	589,347	364,063
	9	Program service revenue (Part VIII, line 2g)	78,496	78,449
	10	Investment income (Part VIII, column (A), lines 3, 4, and 5)	70,396	90,397
	11	Other revenue (Part VIII, column (A), lines 5, 6, 8, 9, 10, and 11e)	40,537	
	12	Total revenue—add lines 8 through 11 (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	778,776	532,909
Expenses	13	Grants and similar amounts paid (Part IX, column (A), lines 1-3)	71,557	104,612
	14	Benefits paid to or for members (Part IX, column (A), line 4)		
	15	Salaries, other compensation, employee benefits (Part IX, column (A), lines 5-10)	367,051	366,667
	16a	Professional fundraising fees (Part IX, column (A), line 11e)		
	b	Total fundraising expenses (Part IX, column (D), line 25)		
	17	Other expenses (Part IX, column (A), lines 11a-11d, 11f-24f)	304,255	335,473
	18	Total expenses. Add lines 13-17 (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	742,863	806,752
Net Assets or Fund Balances	19	Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 18 from line 12	35,913	(273,843)
	20	Total assets (Part X, line 16)	4,260,402	3,837,008
	21	Total liabilities (Part X, line 26)	15,537	86,343
	22	Net assets or fund balances Subtract line 21 from line 20	4,244,865	3,750,665

**Part II Signature Block**

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.

**Sign Here**  
 Signature of officer: [Signature] Date: 11-12-09  
 Type or print name and title: CHERI WALKER, PRESIDENT

**Paid Preparer's Use Only**

Preparer's signature: [Signature] Date: 11/2/09 Check if self-employed:  Preparer's identifying number (see instructions): P00072967

Firm's name (or yours if self-employed): ORPHALEE SMITH, CPA EIN: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address: 300F + 2980 BELLINGHAM WA 98227 Phone no: \_\_\_\_\_

May the IRS discuss this return with the preparer shown above? (see instructions)  Yes  No

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Part III Statement of Program Service Accomplishments (see instructions)

1 Briefly describe the organization's mission SEE SCHEDULE O FOR CONTINUATION
THS SOCIETY WAS ORGANIZED TO SUPPORT AND PROMOTE THE OPERATIONS OF THE
WHATCOM MUSEUM OF HISTORY AND ART. OPERATIONS OF THE MUSEUM INCLUDE
CURATING AND HOSTING EXHIBITS OF HISTORICAL AND CULTURAL SIGNIFICANCE,
PARTICULARLY THOSE RELEVANT TO THE PACIFIC NORTHWEST AND WHATCOM

2 Did the organization undertake any significant program services during the year which were not listed on
the prior Form 990 or 990-EZ? [ ] Yes [X] No

If "Yes", describe these new services on Schedule O.

3 Did the organization cease conducting, or make significant changes in how it conducts, any program services? [ ] Yes [X] No

If "Yes", describe these changes on Schedule O.

4 Describe the exempt purpose achievements for each of the organization's three largest program services by expenses
Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations and section 4947(a)(1) trusts are required to report the amount of grants and
allocations to others, the total expenses, and revenue, if any, for each program service reported

4a (Code ) (Expenses \$ 438,393. including grants of \$ ) (Revenue \$ )
PROMOTES THE OPERATION OF THE WHATCOM MUSEUM OF HISTORY AND ART.

4b (Code: ) (Expenses \$ including grants of \$ ) (Revenue \$ )

4c (Code: ) (Expenses \$ including grants of \$ ) (Revenue \$ )

4d Other program services (Describe in Schedule O)
(Expenses \$ including grants of \$ ) (Revenue \$ )

4e Total program service expenses \$ 438,393. (Must equal Part IX, Line 25, column (B).)

**Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules**

	Yes	No
1 Is the organization described in section 501(c)(3) or 4947(a)(1) (other than a private foundation)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule A</i>	X	
2 Is the organization required to complete Schedule B, Schedule of Contributors?		X
3 Did the organization engage in direct or indirect political campaign activities on behalf of or in opposition to candidates for public office? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part I</i>		X
4 <b>Section 501(c)(3) organizations.</b> Did the organization engage in lobbying activities? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part II</i>		X
5 <b>Section 501(c)(4), 501(c)(5), and 501(c)(6) organizations.</b> Is the organization subject to the section 6033(e) notice and reporting requirement and proxy tax? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part III</i>		
6 Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds or any accounts where donors have the right to provide advice on the distribution or investment of amounts in such funds or accounts? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part I</i>		X
7 Did the organization receive or hold a conservation easement, including easements to preserve open space, the environment, historic land areas, or historic structures? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part II</i>		X
8 Did the organization maintain collections of works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part III</i>		X
9 Did the organization report an amount in Part X, line 21; serve as a custodian for amounts not listed in Part X, or provide credit counseling, debt management, credit repair, or debt negotiation services? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part IV</i>		X
10 Did the organization hold assets in term, permanent, or quasi-endowments? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part V</i>		X
11 Did the organization report an amount in Part X, lines 10, 12, 13, 15, or 25? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Parts VI, VII, VIII, IX, or X as applicable</i>	X	
12 Did the organization receive an audited financial statement for the year for which it is completing this return that was prepared in accordance with GAAP? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Parts XI, XII, and XIII</i>	X	
13 Is the organization a school as described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule E</i>		X
14a Did the organization maintain an office, employees, or agents outside of the U.S.?		X
b Did the organization have aggregate revenues or expenses of more than \$10,000 from grantmaking, fundraising, business, and program service activities outside the U.S.? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Part I</i>		X
15 Did the organization report on Part IX, column (A), line 3, more than \$5,000 of grants or assistance to any organization or entity located outside the United States? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Part II</i>		X
16 Did the organization report on Part IX, column (A), line 3, more than \$5,000 of aggregate grants or assistance to individuals located outside the United States? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Part III</i>		X
17 Did the organization report more than \$15,000 on Part IX, column (A), line 11e? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part I</i>		X
18 Did the organization report more than \$15,000 total on Part VIII, lines 1c and 8a? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part II</i>	X	
19 Did the organization report more than \$15,000 on Part VIII, line 9a? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part III</i>		X
20 Did the organization operate one or more hospitals? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule H</i>		X
21 Did the organization report more than \$5,000 on Part IX, column (A), line 1? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and II</i>		X
22 Did the organization report more than \$5,000 on Part IX, column (A), line 2? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and III</i>	X	
23 Did the organization answer "Yes" to Part VII, Section A, questions 3, 4, or 5? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J</i>		X
24a Did the organization have a tax-exempt bond issue with an outstanding principal amount of more than \$100,000 as of the last day of the year, that was issued after December 31, 2002? <i>If "Yes," answer questions 24b-24d and complete Schedule K. If "No," go to question 25</i>		X
b Did the organization invest any proceeds of tax-exempt bonds beyond a temporary period exception?		
c Did the organization maintain an escrow account other than a refunding escrow at any time during the year to defease any tax-exempt bonds?		
d Did the organization act as an "on behalf of" issuer for bonds outstanding at any time during the year?		
25a <b>Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations.</b> Did the organization engage in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person during the year? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I</i>		X
b Did the organization become aware that it had engaged in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person from a prior year? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I</i>		X
26 Was a loan to or by a current or former officer, director, trustee, key employee, highly compensated employee, or disqualified person outstanding as of the end of the organization's tax year? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part II</i>		X
27 Did the organization provide a grant or other assistance to an officer, director, trustee, key employee, or substantial contributor, or to a person related to such an individual? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part III</i>		X

**Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules** *(continued)*

		Yes	No
<b>28</b>	During the tax year, did any person who is a current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee		
<b>a</b>	Have a direct business relationship with the organization (other than as an officer, director, trustee, or employee), or an indirect business relationship through ownership of more than 35% in another entity (individually or collectively with other person(s) listed in Part VII, Section A)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV</i>		X
<b>b</b>	Have a family member who had a direct or indirect business relationship with the organization? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV</i>		X
<b>c</b>	Serve as an officer, director, trustee, key employee, partner, or member of an entity (or a shareholder of a professional corporation) doing business with the organization? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV</i>		X
<b>29</b>	Did the organization receive more than \$25,000 in non-cash contributions? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule M</i>		X
<b>30</b>	Did the organization receive contributions of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets, or qualified conservation contributions? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule M</i>		X
<b>31</b>	Did the organization liquidate, terminate, or dissolve and cease operations? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part I</i>		X
<b>32</b>	Did the organization sell, exchange, dispose of, or transfer more than 25% of its net assets? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part II</i>		X
<b>33</b>	Did the organization own 100% of an entity disregarded as separate from the organization under Regulations sections 301.7701-2 and 301.7701-3? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part I</i>		X
<b>34</b>	Was the organization related to any tax-exempt or taxable entity? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Parts II, III, IV, and V, line 1</i>		X
<b>35</b>	Is any related organization a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2</i>		X
<b>36</b>	<b>Section 501(c)(3) organizations.</b> Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2</i>		X
<b>37</b>	Did the organization conduct more than 5% of its activities through an entity that is not a related organization and that is treated as a partnership for federal income tax purposes? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part VI</i>		X

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**Part V Statements Regarding Other IRS Filings and Tax Compliance**

		Yes	No
<b>1a</b>	Enter the number reported in Box 3 of Form 1096, Annual Summary and Transmittal of U.S. Information Returns. Enter -0- if not applicable		
	<b>1a</b> 116851		
<b>1b</b>	Enter the number of Forms W-2G included in line 1a. Enter -0- if not applicable		
	<b>1b</b> 0		
<b>c</b>	Did the organization comply with backup withholding rules for reportable payments to vendors and reportable gaming (gambling) winnings to prize winners?	X	
<b>2a</b>	Enter the number of employees reported on Form W-3, Transmittal of Wage and Tax Statements, filed for the calendar year ending with or within the year covered by this return		
	<b>2a</b> 34		
<b>b</b>	If at least one is reported on line 2a, did the organization file all required federal employment tax returns? <b>Note.</b> If the sum of lines 1a and 2a is greater than 250, you may be required to e-file this return (see instructions)	X	
<b>3a</b>	Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year covered by this return?		X
<b>3b</b>	If "Yes," has it filed a Form 990-T for this year? If "No," provide an explanation in Schedule O		
<b>4a</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)?		X
<b>b</b>	If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country. See the instructions for exceptions and filing requirements for Form TD F 90-22.1, Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts		
<b>5a</b>	Was the organization a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction at any time during the tax year?		X
<b>5b</b>	Did any taxable party notify the organization that it was or is a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction?		X
<b>5c</b>	If "Yes," to question 5a or 5b, did the organization file Form 8886-T, Disclosure by Tax-Exempt Entity Regarding Prohibited Tax Shelter Transaction?		
<b>6a</b>	Did the organization solicit any contributions that were not tax deductible?		X
<b>6b</b>	If "Yes," did the organization include with every solicitation an express statement that such contributions or gifts were not tax deductible?		
<b>7</b>	<b>Organizations that may receive deductible contributions under section 170(c).</b>		
<b>a</b>	Did the organization provide goods or services in exchange for any quid pro quo contribution of more than \$75?		X
<b>b</b>	If "Yes," did the organization notify the donor of the value of the goods or services provided?		
<b>c</b>	Did the organization sell, exchange, or otherwise dispose of tangible personal property for which it was required to file Form 8282?		X
<b>d</b>	If "Yes," indicate the number of Forms 8282 filed during the year		
	<b>7d</b>		
<b>e</b>	Did the organization, during the year, receive any funds, directly or indirectly, to pay premiums on a personal benefit contract?		X
<b>f</b>	Did the organization, during the year, pay premiums, directly or indirectly, on a personal benefit contract?		X
<b>g</b>	For all contributions of qualified intellectual property, did the organization file Form 8899 as required?		X
<b>h</b>	For contributions of cars, boats, airplanes, and other vehicles, did the organization file a Form 1098-C as required?		X
<b>8</b>	<b>Section 501(c)(3) and other sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds and section 509(a)(3) supporting organizations.</b> Did the supporting organization, or a fund maintained by a sponsoring organization, have excess business holdings at any time during the year?		
<b>9</b>	<b>Section 501(c)(3) and other sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds.</b>		
<b>a</b>	Did the organization make any taxable distributions under section 4966?		
<b>9a</b>			
<b>b</b>	Did the organization make a distribution to a donor, donor advisor, or related person?		
<b>9b</b>			
<b>10</b>	<b>Section 501(c)(7) organizations.</b> Enter. <b>N/A</b>		
<b>a</b>	Initiation fees and capital contributions included on Part VIII, line 12		
	<b>10a</b>		
<b>b</b>	Gross receipts, included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, for public use of club facilities		
	<b>10b</b>		
<b>11</b>	<b>Section 501(c)(12) organizations.</b> Enter. <b>N/A</b>		
<b>a</b>	Gross income from members or shareholders		
	<b>11a</b>		
<b>b</b>	Gross income from other sources (Do not net amounts due or paid to other sources against amounts due or received from them)		
	<b>11b</b>		
<b>12a</b>	<b>Section 4947(a)(1) non-exempt charitable trusts.</b> Is the organization filing Form 990 in lieu of Form 1041?		
<b>b</b>	If "Yes," enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the year <b>N/A</b>		
	<b>12b</b>		

**Part VI Governance, Management, and Disclosure** (Sections A, B, and C request information about policies not required by the Internal Revenue Code)

**Section A. Governing Body and Management**

		Yes	No
For each "Yes" response to lines 2-7b below, and for a "No" response to lines 8 or 9b below, describe the circumstances, processes, or changes in Schedule O See instructions			
1a	Enter the number of voting members of the governing body		
			16
b	Enter the number of voting members that are independent		
			16
2	Did any officer, director, trustee, or key employee have a family relationship or a business relationship with any other officer, director, trustee, or key employee?		X
3	Did the organization delegate control over management duties customarily performed by or under the direct supervision of officers, directors or trustees, or key employees to a management company or other person?		X
4	Did the organization make any significant changes to its organizational documents since the prior Form 990 was filed?		X
5	Did the organization become aware during the year of a material diversion of the organization's assets?		X
6	Does the organization have members or stockholders?		X
7a	Does the organization have members, stockholders, or other persons who may elect one or more members of the governing body?		X
b	Are any decisions of the governing body subject to approval by members, stockholders, or other persons?		X
8	Did the organization contemporaneously document the meetings held or written actions undertaken during the year by the following:		
a	The governing body?	X	
b	Each committee with authority to act on behalf of the governing body?	X	
9a	Does the organization have local chapters, branches, or affiliates?		X
b	If "Yes," does the organization have written policies and procedures governing the activities of such chapters, affiliates, and branches to ensure their operations are consistent with those of the organization?		
10	Was a copy of the Form 990 provided to the organization's governing body before it was filed? All organizations must describe in Schedule O the process, if any, the organization uses to review the Form 990	X	
11	Is there any officer, director or trustee, or key employee listed in Part VII, Section A, who cannot be reached at the organization's mailing address? If "Yes," provide the names and addresses in Schedule O		X

**Section B. Policies**

		Yes	No
12a	Does the organization have a written conflict of interest policy? If "No," go to line 13	X	
b	Are officers, directors or trustees, and key employees required to disclose annually interests that could give rise to conflicts?	X	
c	Does the organization regularly and consistently monitor and enforce compliance with the policy? If "Yes," describe in Schedule O how this is done	X	
13	Does the organization have a written whistleblower policy?	X	
14	Does the organization have a written document retention and destruction policy?	X	
15	Did the process for determining compensation of the following persons include a review and approval by independent persons, comparability data, and contemporaneous substantiation of the deliberation and decision:		
a	The organization's CEO, Executive Director, or top management official?		X
b	Other officers or key employees of the organization? Describe the process in Schedule O (see instructions)		X
16a	Did the organization invest in, contribute assets to, or participate in a joint venture or similar arrangement with a taxable entity during the year?		X
b	If "Yes," has the organization adopted a written policy or procedure requiring the organization to evaluate its participation in joint venture arrangements under applicable federal tax law, and taken steps to safeguard the organization's exempt status with respect to such arrangements?		

**Section C. Disclosure**

17	List the states with which a copy of this Form 990 is required to be filed <b>WA</b>
18	Section 6104 requires an organization to make its Forms 1023 (or 1024 if applicable), 990, and 990-T (501(c)(3)s only) available for public inspection. Indicate how you make these available. Check all that apply. <input type="checkbox"/> Own website <input type="checkbox"/> Another's website <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Upon request
19	Describe in Schedule O whether (and if so, how), the organization makes its governing documents, conflict of interest policy, and financial statements available to the public.
20	State the name, physical address, and telephone number of the person who possesses the books and records of the organization <b>▶</b> <b>THE ORGANIZATION - 360 676 6981</b> <b>121 PROSPECT, BELLINGHAM, WA 98225</b>

**Part VII Compensation of Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, Highest Compensated Employees, and Independent Contractors**

**Section A. Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees**

1a Complete this table for all persons required to be listed Use Schedule J-2 if additional space is needed.

• List all of the organization's **current** officers, directors, trustees (whether individuals or organizations), regardless of amount of compensation, and **current** key employees Enter -0- in columns (D), (E), and (F) if no compensation was paid.

• List the organization's five **current** highest compensated employees (other than an officer, director, trustee, or key employee) who received reportable compensation (Box 5 of Form W-2 and/or Box 7 of Form 1099-MISC) of more than \$100,000 from the organization and any related organizations.

• List all of the organization's **former** officers, key employees, and highest compensated employees who received more than \$100,000 of reportable compensation from the organization and any related organizations

• List all of the organization's **former directors or trustees** that received, in the capacity as a former director or trustee of the organization, more than \$10,000 of reportable compensation from the organization and any related organizations.

List persons in the following order: individual trustees or directors; institutional trustees; officers; key employees; highest compensated employees; and former such persons.

Check this box if the organization did not compensate any officer, director, trustee, or key employee

(A) Name and Title	(B) Average hours per week	(C) Position (check all that apply)						(D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W-2/1099-MISC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W-2/1099-MISC)	(F) Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations
		Individual trustee or director	Institutional trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former			
CHERIE WALKER PRESIDENT	5.00							0.	0.	0.
CHUCK SNYDER VICE PRESIDENT	5.00							0.	0.	0.
SUSAN EDGAR BOARD MEMBER	3.00							0.	0.	0.
LORI EVANS BOARD MEMBER	3.00							0.	0.	0.
ALEXANDRA WILEY SEC/TREAS	5.00							0.	0.	0.
RICHARD EGGEMEYER BOARD MEMBER	3.00							0.	0.	0.
CHRIS FOSS BOARD MEMBER	3.00							0.	0.	0.
BUFF SCHOENFELD BOARD MEMBER	3.00							0.	0.	0.
MARY SERKA BOARD MEMBER	3.00							0.	0.	0.
CHRISTOPHER MORRISON BOARD MEMBER	3.00							0.	0.	0.
MELANIE MULTOP BOARD MEMBER	3.00							0.	0.	0.
MATTHEW DUNN BOARD MEMBER	3.00							0.	0.	0.
ANN KAISER BOARD MEMBER	3.00							0.	0.	0.
SHELBY FRIESEN BOARD MEMBER	3.00							0.	0.	0.
LINDA HARDY BOARD MEMBER	3.00							0.	0.	0.
SHERRY MILLER BOARD MEMBER	3.00							0.	0.	0.
PATRICIA LEACH EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR	40.00							0.	108,180.	0.



Part VIII Statement of Revenue		(A) Total revenue	(B) Related or exempt function revenue	(C) Unrelated business revenue	(D) Revenue excluded from tax under sections 512, 513, or 514	
Contributions, gifts, grants and other similar amounts	1 a Federated campaigns	1a				
	b Membership dues	1b	61,820.			
	c Fundraising events	1c	78,943.			
	d Related organizations	1d				
	e Government grants (contributions)	1e				
	f All other contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts not included above	1f	223,300.			
	g Noncash contributions included in lines 1a-1f \$		23,414.			
	h Total. Add lines 1a-1f		364,063.			
	Program Service Revenue	2 a _____	Business Code			
		b _____				
c _____						
d _____						
e _____						
f All other program service revenue		713990	78,449.	78,449.		
g Total. Add lines 2a-2f			78,449.			
Other Revenue	3 Investment income (including dividends, interest, and other similar amounts)		76,238.		76,238.	
	4 Income from investment of tax-exempt bond proceeds					
	5 Royalties					
	6 a Gross Rents	(i) Real				
		(ii) Personal				
		b Less: rental expenses				
		c Rental income or (loss)				
	d Net rental income or (loss)					
	7 a Gross amount from sales of assets other than inventory	(i) Securities				
		(ii) Other				
		b Less: cost or other basis and sales expenses		705,343.		
		c Gain or (loss)		14,159.		
	d Net gain or (loss)		14,159.	14,159.		
	8 a Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ _____ of contributions reported on line 1c) See Part IV, line 18	a				
		b Less: direct expenses	b			
c Net income or (loss) from fundraising events						
9 a Gross income from gaming activities. See Part IV, line 19	a					
	b Less: direct expenses	b				
	c Net income or (loss) from gaming activities					
10 a Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances	a					
	b Less: cost of goods sold	b				
	c Net income or (loss) from sales of inventory					
Miscellaneous Revenue		Business Code				
11 a _____						
	b _____					
	c _____					
	d All other revenue					
	e Total. Add lines 11a-11d					
12 Total Revenue. Add lines 1h, 2g, 3, 4, 5, 6d, 7d, 8c, 9c, 10c, and 11e		532,909.	92,608.	0.	76,238.	

**Part IX Statement of Functional Expenses**

Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations must complete all columns.  
All other organizations must complete column (A) but are not required to complete columns (B), (C), and (D).

Do not include amounts reported on lines 6b, 7b, 8b, 9b, and 10b of Part VIII.	(A) Total expenses	(B) Program service expenses	(C) Management and general expenses	(D) Fundraising expenses
1 Grants and other assistance to governments and organizations in the U.S. See Part IV, line 21				
2 Grants and other assistance to individuals in the U.S. See Part IV, line 22	104,612.	104,612.		
3 Grants and other assistance to governments, organizations, and individuals outside the U.S. See Part IV, lines 15 and 16				
4 Benefits paid to or for members				
5 Compensation of current officers, directors, trustees, and key employees	108,180.	46,517.	61,663.	
6 Compensation not included above, to disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)) and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B)				
7 Other salaries and wages	210,996.	91,793.	119,203.	
8 Pension plan contributions (include section 401(k) and section 403(b) employer contributions)	2,295.	998.	1,297.	
9 Other employee benefits	16,667.	7,261.	9,406.	
10 Payroll taxes	28,529.	12,379.	16,150.	
11 Fees for services (non-employees):				
a Management				
b Legal				
c Accounting	7,199.		7,199.	
d Lobbying				
e Professional fundraising services. See Part IV, line 17				
f Investment management fees				
g Other	91,990.	37,454.	54,536.	
12 Advertising and promotion	27,490.	630.	26,860.	
13 Office expenses	1,519.	877.	642.	
14 Information technology				
15 Royalties				
16 Occupancy	7,492.	7,492.		
17 Travel				
18 Payments of travel or entertainment expenses for any federal, state, or local public officials				
19 Conferences, conventions, and meetings	11,752.	3,827.	7,925.	
20 Interest				
21 Payments to affiliates				
22 Depreciation, depletion, and amortization	59,112.	58,907.	205.	
23 Insurance	8,994.		8,994.	
24 Other expenses. Itemize expenses not covered above. (Expenses grouped together and labeled miscellaneous may not exceed 5% of total expenses shown on line 25 below.)				
a <b>PRINTING</b>	52,175.	19,880.	32,295.	
b <b>IN KIND CONTRIBUTIONS</b>	22,871.	22,871.		
c <b>MISCELLANEOUS</b>	14,152.	4,652.	9,500.	
d <b>POSTAGE AND SHIPPING</b>	11,541.	5,191.	6,350.	
e <b>SUPPLIES</b>	7,209.	5,377.	1,832.	
f All other expenses	11,977.	7,675.	4,302.	
<b>25 Total functional expenses.</b> Add lines 1 through 24f	806,752.	438,393.	368,359.	0.
<b>26 Joint Costs.</b> Check here <input type="checkbox"/> if following SOP 98-2. Complete this line only if the organization reported in column (B) joint costs from a combined educational campaign and fundraising solicitation				

**Part X Balance Sheet**

		(A) Beginning of year		(B) End of year
Assets	1 Cash - non-interest-bearing	88,637.	1	18,011.
	2 Savings and temporary cash investments		2	
	3 Pledges and grants receivable, net		3	
	4 Accounts receivable, net	243,724.	4	216,498.
	5 Receivables from current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, or other related parties. Complete Part II of Schedule L		5	
	6 Receivables from other disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)) and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B). Complete Part II of Schedule L		6	
	7 Notes and loans receivable, net		7	
	8 Inventories for sale or use		8	
	9 Prepaid expenses and deferred charges	8,774.	9	9,241.
	10a Land, buildings, and equipment cost basis	10a 2,619,005.		
	b Less: accumulated depreciation Complete Part VI of Schedule D	10b 1,036,960.	1,536,709.	10c 1,582,045.
	11 Investments - publicly traded securities	2,382,558.	11	2,011,213.
	12 Investments - other securities See Part IV, line 11		12	
	13 Investments - program-related See Part IV, line 11		13	
	14 Intangible assets		14	
	15 Other assets. See Part IV, line 11		15	
16 <b>Total assets.</b> Add lines 1 through 15 (must equal line 34)	4,260,402.	16	3,837,008.	
Liabilities	17 Accounts payable and accrued expenses	15,537.	17	21,893.
	18 Grants payable		18	
	19 Deferred revenue		19	
	20 Tax-exempt bond liabilities		20	
	21 Escrow account liability. Complete Part IV of Schedule D		21	
	22 Payables to current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, highest compensated employees, and disqualified persons Complete Part II of Schedule L		22	
	23 Secured mortgages and notes payable to unrelated third parties		23	64,450.
	24 Unsecured notes and loans payable		24	
	25 Other liabilities Complete Part X of Schedule D		25	
	26 <b>Total liabilities.</b> Add lines 17 through 25	15,537.	26	86,343.
Net Assets or Fund Balances	<b>Organizations that follow SFAS 117, check here <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 27 through 29, and lines 33 and 34.</b>			
	27 Unrestricted net assets	2,141,729.	27	1,860,609.
	28 Temporarily restricted net assets	1,472,819.	28	1,248,044.
	29 Permanently restricted net assets	630,317.	29	642,012.
	<b>Organizations that do not follow SFAS 117, check here <input type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 30 through 34.</b>			
	30 Capital stock or trust principal, or current funds		30	
	31 Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, building, or equipment fund		31	
	32 Retained earnings, endowment, accumulated income, or other funds		32	
	33 <b>Total net assets or fund balances</b>	4,244,865.	33	3,750,665.
	34 <b>Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances</b>	4,260,402.	34	3,837,008.

**Part XI Financial Statements and Reporting**

- 1 Accounting method used to prepare the Form 990:  Cash  Accrual  Other
- 2a Were the organization's financial statements compiled or reviewed by an independent accountant?
- b Were the organization's financial statements audited by an independent accountant?
- c If "Yes" to lines 2a or 2b, does the organization have a committee that assumes responsibility for oversight of the audit, review, or compilation of its financial statements and selection of an independent accountant?
- 3a As a result of a federal award, was the organization required to undergo an audit or audits as set forth in the Single Audit Act and OMB Circular A-133?
- b If "Yes," did the organization undergo the required audit or audits?

	Yes	No
2a		X
2b	X	
2c	X	
3a		X
3b		



**Part II Support Schedule for Organizations Described in Sections 170(b)(1)(A)(iv) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi)**

(Complete only if you checked the box on line 5, 7, or 8 of Part I)

**Section A. Public Support**

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in)	(a) 2004	(b) 2005	(c) 2006	(d) 2007	(e) 2008	(f) Total
<b>1</b> Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received. (Do not include any "unusual grants.")	414,504.	841,924.	465,150.	551,682.		2273260.
<b>2</b> Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf						
<b>3</b> The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge						
<b>4 Total.</b> Add lines 1 - 3	414,504.	841,924.	465,150.	551,682.		2273260.
<b>5</b> The portion of total contributions by each person (other than a governmental unit or publicly supported organization) included on line 1 that exceeds 2% of the amount shown on line 11, column (f)						918,876.
<b>6 Public Support.</b> Subtract line 5 from line 4						1354384.

**Section B. Total Support**

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in)	(a) 2004	(b) 2005	(c) 2006	(d) 2007	(e) 2008	(f) Total
<b>7</b> Amounts from line 4	414,504.	841,924.	465,150.	551,682.		2273260.
<b>8</b> Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources	35,993.	49,484.	65,612.	70,396.		221,485.
<b>9</b> Net income from unrelated business activities, whether or not the business is regularly carried on						
<b>10</b> Other income Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part IV.)						
<b>11 Total support.</b> Add lines 7 through 10						2494745.
<b>12</b> Gross receipts from related activities, etc (see instructions)					312,365.	
<b>13 First five years.</b> If the Form 990 is for the organization's first, second, third, fourth, or fifth tax year as a section 501(c)(3) organization, check this box and stop here <input type="checkbox"/>						

**Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage**

<b>14</b> Public support percentage for 2008 (line 6, column (f) divided by line 11, column (f))	<b>14</b>	54.29 %
<b>15</b> Public support percentage from 2007 Schedule A, Part IV-A, line 26f	<b>15</b>	58.10 %
<b>16a 33 1/3% support test - 2008.</b> If the organization did not check the box on line 13, and line 14 is 33 1/3% or more, check this box and stop here. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
<b>b 33 1/3% support test - 2007.</b> If the organization did not check a box on line 13 or 16a, and line 15 is 33 1/3% or more, check this box and stop here. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization <input type="checkbox"/>		
<b>17a 10% -facts-and-circumstances test - 2008.</b> If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, or 16b, and line 14 is 10% or more, and if the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test, check this box and stop here. Explain in Part IV how the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization <input type="checkbox"/>		
<b>b 10% -facts-and-circumstances test - 2007.</b> If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, 16b, or 17a, and line 15 is 10% or more, and if the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test, check this box and stop here. Explain in Part IV how the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization <input type="checkbox"/>		
<b>18 Private foundation.</b> If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, 16b, 17a, or 17b, check this box and see instructions <input type="checkbox"/>		

**Part III Support Schedule for Organizations Described in Section 509(a)(2)** (Complete only if you checked the box on line 9 of Part I.)

**Section A. Public Support**

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in)	(a) 2004	(b) 2005	(c) 2006	(d) 2007	(e) 2008	(f) Total
<b>1</b> Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received (Do not include any "unusual grants.")						
<b>2</b> Gross receipts from admissions, merchandise sold or services performed, or facilities furnished in any activity that is related to the organization's tax-exempt purpose						
<b>3</b> Gross receipts from activities that are not an unrelated trade or business under section 513						
<b>4</b> Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf						
<b>5</b> The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge						
<b>6 Total.</b> Add lines 1 - 5						
<b>7a</b> Amounts included on lines 1, 2, and 3 received from disqualified persons						
<b>b</b> Amounts included on lines 2 and 3 received from other than disqualified persons that exceed the greater of 1% of the total of lines 9, 10c, 11, and 12 for the year or \$5,000						
<b>c</b> Add lines 7a and 7b						
<b>8 Public support</b> (Subtract line 7c from line 6)						

**Section B. Total Support**

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in)	(a) 2004	(b) 2005	(c) 2006	(d) 2007	(e) 2008	(f) Total
<b>9</b> Amounts from line 6						
<b>10a</b> Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources						
<b>b</b> Unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 taxes) from businesses acquired after June 30, 1975						
<b>c</b> Add lines 10a and 10b						
<b>11</b> Net income from unrelated business activities not included in line 10b, whether or not the business is regularly carried on						
<b>12</b> Other income Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part IV)						
<b>13 Total support</b> (Add lines 9, 10c, 11, and 12)						

**14 First five years.** If the Form 990 is for the organization's first, second, third, fourth, or fifth tax year as a section 501(c)(3) organization, check this box and stop here

**Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage**

<b>15</b> Public support percentage for 2008 (line 8, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f))	15	%
<b>16</b> Public support percentage from 2007 Schedule A, Part IV-A, line 27g	16	%

**Section D. Computation of Investment Income Percentage**

<b>17</b> Investment income percentage for 2008 (line 10c, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f))	17	%
<b>18</b> Investment income percentage from 2007 Schedule A, Part IV-A, line 27h	18	%

**19a 33 1/3% support tests - 2008.** If the organization did not check the box on line 14, and line 15 is more than 33 1/3%, and line 17 is not more than 33 1/3%, check this box and stop here. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization

**b 33 1/3% support tests - 2007.** If the organization did not check a box on line 14 or line 19a, and line 16 is more than 33 1/3%, and line 18 is not more than 33 1/3%, check this box and stop here. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization

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

**Schedule D**  
(Form 990)

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

**Supplemental Financial Statements**

▶ Attach to Form 990. To be completed by organizations that answered "Yes," to Form 990, Part IV, line 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, or 12.

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**WHATCOM MUSEUM SOCIETY INC**

Employer identification number

**91-6174771**

**Part I Organizations Maintaining Donor Advised Funds or Other Similar Funds or Accounts.** Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 6

	(a) Donor advised funds	(b) Funds and other accounts
1 Total number at end of year		
2 Aggregate contributions to (during year)		
3 Aggregate grants from (during year)		
4 Aggregate value at end of year		
5 Did the organization inform all donors and donor advisors in writing that the assets held in donor advised funds are the organization's property, subject to the organization's exclusive legal control?		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
6 Did the organization inform all grantees, donors, and donor advisors in writing that grant funds may be used only for charitable purposes and not for the benefit of the donor or donor advisor or other impermissible private benefit?		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No

**Part II Conservation Easements.** Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 7

- 1 Purpose(s) of conservation easements held by the organization (check all that apply)
- Preservation of land for public use (e.g., recreation or pleasure)  Preservation of an historically important land area
- Protection of natural habitat  Preservation of certified historic structure
- Preservation of open space
- 2 Complete lines 2a-2d if the organization held a qualified conservation contribution in the form of a conservation easement on the last day of the tax year

- a Total number of conservation easements
- b Total acreage restricted by conservation easements
- c Number of conservation easements on a certified historic structure included in (a)
- d Number of conservation easements included in (c) acquired after 8/17/06

	Held at the End of the Year
2a	
2b	
2c	
2d	

- 3 Number of conservation easements modified, transferred, released, extinguished, or terminated by the organization during the taxable year ▶ \_\_\_\_\_
- 4 Number of states where property subject to conservation easement is located ▶ \_\_\_\_\_
- 5 Does the organization have a written policy regarding the periodic monitoring, inspection, violations, and enforcement of the conservation easements it holds?  Yes  No
- 6 Staff or volunteer hours devoted to monitoring, inspecting, and enforcing easements during the year ▶ \_\_\_\_\_
- 7 Amount of expenses incurred in monitoring, inspecting, and enforcing easements during the year ▶ \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- 8 Does each conservation easement reported on line 2(d) above satisfy the requirements of section 170(h)(4)(B)(i) and section 170(h)(4)(B)(ii)?  Yes  No
- 9 In Part XIV, describe how the organization reports conservation easements in its revenue and expense statement, and balance sheet, and include, if applicable, the text of the footnote to the organization's financial statements that describes the organization's accounting for conservation easements

**Part III Organizations Maintaining Collections of Art, Historical Treasures, or Other Similar Assets.**

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 8

- 1a If the organization elected, as permitted under SFAS 116, not to report in its revenue statement and balance sheet works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets held for public exhibition, education, or research in furtherance of public service, provide, in Part XIV, the text of the footnote to its financial statements that describes these items
- b If the organization elected, as permitted under SFAS 116, to report in its revenue statement and balance sheet works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets held for public exhibition, education, or research in furtherance of public service, provide the following amounts relating to these items
- (i) Revenues included in Form 990, Part VIII, line 1 ▶ \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- (ii) Assets included in Form 990, Part X ▶ \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- 2 If the organization received or held works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets for financial gain, provide the following amounts required to be reported under SFAS 116 relating to these items:
- a Revenues included in Form 990, Part VIII, line 1 ▶ \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- b Assets included in Form 990, Part X ▶ \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Part III Organizations Maintaining Collections of Art, Historical Treasures, or Other Similar Assets** (continued)

3 Using the organization's accession and other records, check any of the following that are a significant use of its collection items (check all that apply):

- a  Public exhibition
- b  Scholarly research
- c  Preservation for future generations
- d  Loan or exchange programs
- e  Other \_\_\_\_\_

4 Provide a description of the organization's collections and explain how they further the organization's exempt purpose in Part XIV

5 During the year, did the organization solicit or receive donations of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets to be sold to raise funds rather than to be maintained as part of the organization's collection?  Yes  No

**Part IV Trust, Escrow and Custodial Arrangements.** Complete if organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 9, or reported an amount on Form 990, Part X, line 21

1a Is the organization an agent, trustee, custodian or other intermediary for contributions or other assets not included on Form 990, Part X?  Yes  No

b If "Yes," explain the arrangement in Part XIV and complete the following table:

- c Beginning balance
- d Additions during the year
- e Distributions during the year
- f Ending balance

	Amount
1c	
1d	
1e	
1f	

2a Did the organization include an amount on Form 990, Part X, line 21?  Yes  No

b If "Yes," explain the arrangement in Part XIV.

**Part V Endowment Funds.** Complete if organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 10.

	(a) Current year	(b) Prior year	(c) Two years back	(d) Three years back	(e) Four years back
1a Beginning of year balance					
b Contributions					
c Investment earnings or losses					
d Grants or scholarships					
e Other expenditures for facilities and programs					
f Administrative expenses					
g End of year balance					

2 Provide the estimated percentage of the year end balance held as

- a Board designated or quasi-endowment ▶ \_\_\_\_\_ %
- b Permanent endowment ▶ \_\_\_\_\_ %
- c Term endowment ▶ \_\_\_\_\_ %

3a Are there endowment funds not in the possession of the organization that are held and administered for the organization by:

- (i) unrelated organizations
- (ii) related organizations

	Yes	No
3a(i)		
3a(ii)		
3b		

b If "Yes" to 3a(ii), are the related organizations listed as required on Schedule R?

4 Describe in Part XIV the intended uses of the organization's endowment funds

**Part VI Investments - Land, Buildings, and Equipment.** See Form 990, Part X, line 10.

Description of investment	(a) Cost or other basis (investment)	(b) Cost or other basis (other)	(c) Depreciation	(d) Book value
1a Land		113,078.		113,078.
b Buildings		1,200,957.	448,658.	752,299.
c Leasehold improvements		1,234,597.	525,198.	709,399.
d Equipment		70,373.	63,104.	7,269.
e Other				
<b>Total.</b> Add lines 1a-1e (Column (d) should equal Form 990, Part X, column (B), line 10(c))				1,582,045.



**Part XI Reconciliation of Change in Net Assets from Form 990 to Financial Statements**

1	Total revenue (Form 990, Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	1	532,909.
2	Total expenses (Form 990, Part IX, column (A), line 25)	2	806,752.
3	Excess or (deficit) for the year Subtract line 2 from line 1	3	<273,843.>
4	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	4	<307,012.>
5	Donated services and use of facilities	5	93,256.
6	Investment expenses	6	
7	Prior period adjustments	7	
8	Other (Describe in Part XIV)	8	<6,601.>
9	Total adjustments (net). Add lines 4-8	9	<220,357.>
10	Excess or (deficit) for the year per financial statements Combine lines 3 and 9	10	<494,200.>

**Part XII Reconciliation of Revenue per Audited Financial Statements With Revenue per Return**

1	Total revenue, gains, and other support per audited financial statements	1	219,296.
2	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12:		
a	Net unrealized gains on investments	2a	
b	Donated services and use of facilities	2b	
c	Recoveries of prior year grants	2c	
d	Other (Describe in Part XIV)	2d	<306,914.>
e	Add lines 2a through 2d	2e	<306,914.>
3	Subtract line 2e from line 1	3	526,210.
4	Amounts included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, but not on line 1:		
a	Investment expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b	4a	6,699.
b	Other (Describe in Part XIV)	4b	
c	Add lines 4a and 4b	4c	6,699.
5	Total revenue. Add lines 3 and 4c. (This should equal Form 990, Part I, line 12)	5	532,909.

**Part XIII Reconciliation of Expenses per Audited Financial Statements With Expenses per Return**

1	Total expenses and losses per audited financial statements	1	713,496.
2	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part IX, line 25:		
a	Donated services and use of facilities	2a	
b	Prior year adjustments	2b	
c	Losses reported on Form 990, Part IX, line 25	2c	
d	Other (Describe in Part XIV)	2d	
e	Add lines 2a through 2d	2e	0.
3	Subtract line 2e from line 1	3	713,496.
4	Amounts included on Form 990, Part IX, line 25, but not on line 1:		
a	Investment expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b	4a	93,256.
b	Other (Describe in Part XIV)	4b	
c	Add lines 4a and 4b	4c	93,256.
5	Total expenses. Add lines 3 and 4c. (This should equal Form 990, Part I, line 18)	5	806,752.

**Part XIV Supplemental Information**

Complete this part to provide the descriptions required for Part II, lines 3, 5, and 9; Part III, lines 1a and 4; Part IV, lines 1b and 2b; Part V, line 4; Part X; Part XI, line 8; Part XII, lines 2d and 4b, and Part XIII, lines 2d and 4b.

**PART XI, LINE 8 - OTHER ADJUSTMENTS:**

**TAXABLE INCOME FROM PASSTHROUGH ENTITY**

**PART XII, LINE 2D - OTHER ADJUSTMENTS:**

**NET UNREALIZED LOSSES**



**Part II Fundraising Events.** Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 18, or reported more than \$15,000 on Form 990-EZ, line 6a. List events with gross receipts greater than \$5,000

		(a) Event #1	(b) Event #2	(c) Other Events	(d) Total Events	
		PARTY LIKE A ALL THAT KID (event type)	JAZZ (event type)	3 (total number)	(Add col (a) through col (c))	
Revenue	1	Gross receipts	29,846.	87,755.	16,266.	133,867.
	2	Less: Charitable contributions	0.	0.	0.	
	3	Gross revenue (line 1 minus line 2)	29,846.	87,755.	16,266.	133,867.
Direct Expenses	4	Cash prizes				
	5	Non-cash prizes				
	6	Rent/facility costs				
	7	Other direct expenses	12,633.	35,701.	6,590.	54,924.
	8	Direct expense summary. Add lines 4 through 7 in column (d)				( 54,924. )
	9	Net income summary. Combine lines 3 and 8 in column (d)				78,943.

**Part III Gaming.** Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 19, or reported more than \$15,000 on Form 990-EZ, line 6a

		(a) Bingo	(b) Pull tabs/Instant bingo/progressive bingo	(c) Other gaming	(d) Total gaming (Add col. (a) through col. (c))
		1	Gross revenue		
Direct Expenses	2	Cash prizes			
	3	Non-cash prizes			
	4	Rent/facility costs			
	5	Other direct expenses			
	6	Volunteer labor	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes _____ % <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes _____ % <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes _____ % <input type="checkbox"/> No
	7	Direct expense summary. Add lines 2 through 5 in column (d)			( _____ )
	8	Net gaming income summary. Combine lines 1 and 7 in column (d)			( _____ )

	Yes	No
9 Enter the state(s) in which the organization operates gaming activities. _____ a Is the organization licensed to operate gaming activities in each of these states? b If "No," Explain: _____	9a	
10a Were any of the organization's gaming licenses revoked, suspended or terminated during the tax year? b If "Yes," Explain _____	10a	
11 Does the organization operate gaming activities with nonmembers?	11	
12 Is the organization a grantor, beneficiary or trustee of a trust or a member of a partnership or other entry formed to administer charitable gaming?	12	

**13** Indicate the percentage of gaming activity operated in

**a** The organization's facility

<b>13a</b>	%
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**b** An outside facility

<b>13b</b>	%
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**14** Provide the name and address of the person who prepares the organization's gaming/special events books and records:

Name ▶ \_\_\_\_\_

Address ▶ \_\_\_\_\_

**15a** Does the organization have a contract with a third party from whom the organization receives gaming revenue?

**15a**

**b** If "Yes," enter the amount of gaming revenue received by the organization ▶ \$ \_\_\_\_\_ and the amount of gaming revenue retained by the third party ▶ \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**c** If "Yes," enter name and address.

Name ▶ \_\_\_\_\_

Address ▶ \_\_\_\_\_

**16** Gaming manager information

Name ▶ \_\_\_\_\_

Gaming manager compensation ▶ \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Description of services provided ▶ \_\_\_\_\_

Director/officer

Employee

Independent contractor

**17** Mandatory distributions:

**a** Is the organization required under state law to make charitable distributions from the gaming proceeds to retain the state gaming license?

**17a**

**b** Enter the amount of distributions required under state law distributed to other exempt organizations or spent in the organization's own exempt activities during the tax year ▶ \$ \_\_\_\_\_



**Part III** Grants and Other Assistance to Individuals in the United States. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 22. Use Schedule I-1 (Form 990) if additional space is needed.

(a) Type of grant or assistance	(b) Number of recipients	(c) Amount of cash grant	(d) Amount of non-cash assistance	(e) Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other)	(f) Description of non-cash assistance

**Part IV** Supplemental Information. Complete this part to provide the information required in Part I, line 2, and any other additional information.

**SCHEDULE I, PART I, LINE 2: THERE IS A COMMITTEE THAT REPORTS TO THE SOCIETY BOARD RECOMMENDING RECIPIENTS OF GRANTS FROM THE JACOBS FUND. THESE RECIPIENTS MUST SUBMIT A REPORT DETAILING THEIR RESEARCH IN THE PRESERVATION OF NATIVE AMERICAN LANGUAGES.**

**SCHEDULE O**  
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91-6174771

FORM 990, PART I, LINE 1, DESCRIPTION OF ORGANIZATION MISSION:

TO SUPPORT AND PROMOTE THE OPERATIONS OF THE WHATCOM MUSEUM FO HISTORY AND ART. OPERATIONS OF THE MUSEUM INCLUDE CURATING AND HOSTING EXHIBITS OF REGIONAL AND NATIONAL ARTISTS AND EXHIBITS OF HISTORICAL AND CULTURAL SIGNIFICANCE, PARTICULARLY THOSE RELEVANT TO THE PACIFIC NORTHEAST AND WHATCOM COUNTY, WASHINGTON. OPERATIONS ALSO INCLUDE DEVELOPING AND EXPLOITING THE MUSUEM'S ACHRIVES AND COLLECTIONS, SPONSORING A WIDE VARITEY OF EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS, AND HOSTING RECEPTIONS AND OTHER PUBLIC EVENTS RELEVANT TO THE MUSUEM'S MISSION. IT ALSO MANAGES THE JACOBS RESEARCH ENDOWMENT FUND WHICH IS USED TO FUND RESEARCH GRANTS FOR LINGUISTIC STUDIES OF NATIVE-AMERICAN LANGUAGES.

FORM 990, PART III, LINE 1, DESCRIPTION OF ORGANIZATION MISSION:

COUNTY, WASHINGTON. OPERATIONS ALSO INCLUDE DEVELOPING AND EXPLOITING THE MUSEUM'S ARCHIVES AND COLLECTIONS, SPONSORING A WIDE VARIETY OF EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS AND HOSTING RECEPTIONS AND OTHER PUBLIC EVENTS RELEVANT TO THE MUSEUM'S MISSION.

FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION A, LINE 10: THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES RELIES UPON THE FINANCE MANAGER TO REVIEW THE INCOME TAX RETURN. THE FINANCE MANAGER IS KNOWLEDGEABLE AND EXPERIENCED.

FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION B, LINE 12C: ON AN ANNUAL BASIS MEMBERS OF THE BOARD MUST RESPOND TO A CONFLICT OF INTEREST QUESTION.

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**FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION C, LINE 19: ORGANIZATION MAKES IT GOVERNING DOCUMENTS, CONFLICT OF INTEREST POLICY AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST.**

**THERE HAVE BEEN NO CHANGE IN PROCEDURE FROM THE PRIOR YEAR.**