

Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

OMB No 1545-0047

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

2009

Open to Public Inspection

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

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

A For the **2009** calendar year, or tax year beginning **2009**, and ending **20**

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

C Name of organization **Growing Hope, Inc**
 Doing Business As
 Number and street (or P O box if mail is not delivered to street address) Room/suite
P.O. Box 980129
 City or town, state or country, and ZIP + 4
Ypsilanti, MI 48197

D Employer identification number
74 3091845

E Telephone number
(734) 786-8401

G Gross receipts \$ **350,579**

F Name and address of principal officer **Amanda Edmonds**
32 N. Washington St., Suite 11 Ypsilanti, MI, 48198

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)
H(c) Group exemption number ▶

I Tax-exempt status 501(c) (**3**) (insert no) 4947(a)(1) or 527

J Website: ▶ **www.growinghope.net**

K Form of organization Corporation Trust Association Other ▶ **L** Year of formation **2003** **M** State of legal domicile **MI**

Part I Summary

1 Briefly describe the organization's mission or most significant activities: **Helping people improve their lives and communities through gardening and healthy food access. Supports & empowers through community, school & home gardens, focusing in low-income areas. Manages urban farmers market focusing on food security. Trains youth leaders in gardening, nutrition, leadership, & entrepreneurship.**

2 Check this box if the organization discontinued its operations or disposed of more than 25% of its net assets.

3 Number of voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1a)	3	12
4 Number of independent voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1b)	4	12
5 Total number of employees (Part V, line 2a)	5	4
6 Total number of volunteers (estimate if necessary)	6	263
7a Total gross unrelated business revenue from Part VIII, column (C), line 12	7a	0
b Net unrelated business taxable income from Form 990-T, line 34	7b	

	Prior Year	Current Year
8 Contributions and grants (Part VIII, line 1h)	129,801	174,529
9 Program service revenue (Part VIII, line 2g)	10,427	168,488
10 Investment income (Part VIII, column (A), lines 3, 4, and 7d)	19	1
11 Other revenue (Part VIII, column (A), lines 5, 6b, 6c, 7c, 10c, and 11e)	11,064	7,561
12 Total revenue—add lines 8 through 11 (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	151,311	350,579
13 Grants and similar amounts paid (Part IX, column (A), lines 1-3)	6,573	
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)	73,098	123,710
16a Professional fundraising fees (Part IX, column (A), line 11)		
b Total fundraising expenses (Part IX, column (B), line 25)		
17 Other expenses (Part IX, column (A), lines 11a-11d, 11f-24f)	80,313	174,393
18 Total expenses. Add lines 13-17 (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	159,984	298,103
19 Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 18 from line 12	(8,673)	52,476

	Beginning of Current Year	End of Year
20 Total assets (Part X, line 16)	270,648	312,715
21 Total liabilities (Part X, line 26)	181,728	170,672
22 Net assets or fund balances. Subtract line 21 from line 20	88,920	142,043

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

Lynne Chaimowitz 8/13/10
 Signature of officer Date
 Lynne Chaimowitz Treasurer/Director Growing Hope Inc
 Type or print name and title

Paid Preparer's Use Only

Preparer's signature: _____ Date: _____ Check if self-employed Preparer's identifying number (see instructions): _____
 Firm's name (or yours if self-employed), address, and ZIP + 4: _____ EIN: _____ 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

1 Briefly describe the organization's mission:

Growing Hope's mission is to help people improve their lives and communities through gardening and healthy food access. Through an asset-based, empowerment approach we build capacity to develop and sustain community & school gardens, grow and sell healthy food at our farmers' market, train young people, and create healthier families and neighborhoods.

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 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 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 \$ **39,628** including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)

Downtown Ypsilanti Farmer's market: Growing Hope managed it's third season of a successful and growing urban farmers' market in a community with many barriers to fresh food access. Leadership occurs in partnership with local food co-op, County Public Health Department, and MSU Extension, who help make decisions and facilitate special programs. Focus of the market is increasing access to healthy food and supporting farmers, gardeners and other (small entrepreneur) vendors. This includes social enterprise.

4b (Code:) (Expenses \$ **78,912** including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)

Education Programs: Through work with schools where a high percentage of students receive free or reduced lunch facilitating after-school and summer youth development programs, a summer camp for homeless youth and hosting youth volunteers, Growing Hope's youth education programs impact over 1000 young people. Further education & training programs empower teams(of mostly adults) to develop school and community gardens. General public education at fairs and outreach events through classes, and annual Tour De Fresh reached 500 others.

4c (Code:) (Expenses \$ **85,527** including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)

Growing Hope Center: The development of a demonstration and training urban farm & garden center continued in 2009, with development of 3000 square foot demonstration hoophouse and large garden areas, all developed and maintained by volunteers. This site is adjacent to public housing, liquor stores, and foreclosed properties, & Growing Hope's revitalization of the 1.4 acre property is helping with community revitalization in this area. Over 1000 people visited the Growing Hope Center to volunteer, learn, or tour this sustainable urban food system education site in progress.

4d Other program services. (Describe in Schedule O.)
(Expenses \$ **48,731** including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)

4e Total program service expenses ► **253,858**

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>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2	Is the organization required to complete Schedule B, Schedule of Contributors?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
4	Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Did the organization engage in lobbying activities? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part II</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
5	Section 501(c)(4), 501(c)(5), and 501(c)(6) organizations. 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>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
6	Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds or any similar funds or 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>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
10	Did the organization, directly or through a related organization, hold assets in term, permanent, or quasi-endowments? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part V</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
11	Is the organization's answer to any of the following questions "Yes"? <i>If so, complete Schedule D, Parts VI, VII, VIII, IX, or X as applicable</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Did the organization report an amount for land, buildings, and equipment in Part X, line 10? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VI.</i> • Did the organization report an amount for investments—other securities in Part X, line 12 that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VII.</i> • Did the organization report an amount for investments—program related in Part X, line 13 that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VIII.</i> • Did the organization report an amount for other assets in Part X, line 15 that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part IX</i> • Did the organization report an amount for other liabilities in Part X, line 25? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X.</i> • Did the organization's separate or consolidated financial statements for the tax year include a footnote that addresses the organization's liability for uncertain tax positions under FIN 48? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X.</i> 		
12	Did the organization obtain separate, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Parts XI, XII, and XIII.</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12A	Was the organization included in consolidated, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? <i>If "Yes," completing Schedule D, Parts XI, XII, and XIII is optional.</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
13	Is the organization a school described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule E</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
14a	Did the organization maintain an office, employees, or agents outside of the United States?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
14b	Did the organization have aggregate revenues or expenses of more than \$10,000 from grantmaking, fundraising, business, and program service activities outside the United States? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Part I</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
17	Did the organization report a total of more than \$15,000 of expenses for professional fundraising services on Part IX, column (A), lines 6 and 11e? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part I</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
18	Did the organization report more than \$15,000 total of fundraising event gross income and contributions on Part VIII, lines 1c and 8a? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part II</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
19	Did the organization report more than \$15,000 of gross income from gaming activities on Part VIII, line 9a? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part III.</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
20	Did the organization operate one or more hospitals? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule H</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules (continued)

	Yes	No
21 Did the organization report more than \$5,000 of grants and other assistance to governments and organizations in the United States on Part IX, column (A), line 1? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and II.</i>		✓
22 Did the organization report more than \$5,000 of grants and other assistance to individuals in the United States on Part IX, column (A), line 2? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and III.</i>		✓
23 Did the organization answer "Yes" to Part VII, Section A, line 3, 4, or 5 about compensation of the organization's current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, and highest compensated employees? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J.</i>	✓	
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 lines 24b through 24d and complete Schedule K. If "No," go to line 25.</i>		✓
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 Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations. 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>		✓
b Is the organization aware that it engaged in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person in a prior year, and that the transaction has not been reported on any of the organization's prior Forms 990 or 990-EZ? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I.</i>		✓
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>		✓
27 Did the organization provide a grant or other assistance to an officer, director, trustee, key employee, substantial contributor, or a grant selection committee member, or to a person related to such an individual? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part III.</i>		✓
28 Was the organization a party to a business transaction with one of the following parties (see Schedule L, Part IV instructions for applicable filing thresholds, conditions, and exceptions):		
a A current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV.</i>		✓
b A family member of a current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV.</i>		✓
c An entity of which a current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee of the organization (or a family member) was an officer, director, trustee, or direct or indirect owner? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV.</i>		✓
29 Did the organization receive more than \$25,000 in non-cash contributions? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule M.</i>	✓	
30 Did the organization receive contributions of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets, or qualified conservation contributions? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule M.</i>		✓
31 Did the organization liquidate, terminate, or dissolve and cease operations? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part I.</i>		✓
32 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>		✓
33 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>		✓
34 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>		✓
35 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>		✓
36 Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2.</i>		✓
37 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>		✓
38 Did the organization complete Schedule O and provide explanations in Schedule O for Part VI, lines 11 and 19? Note. All Form 990 filers are required to complete Schedule O.	✓	

Part V Statements Regarding Other IRS Filings and Tax Compliance

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

Part VI Governance, Management, and Disclosure For each "Yes" response to lines 2 through 7b below, and for a "No" response to line 8a, 8b, or 10b below, describe the circumstances, processes, or changes in Schedule O. See instructions.

Section A. Governing Body and Management

		Yes	No
1a	Enter the number of voting members of the governing body		
1b	Enter the number of voting members that are independent		
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?		✓
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?		✓
4	Did the organization make any significant changes to its organizational documents since the prior Form 990 was filed?		✓
5	Did the organization become aware during the year of a material diversion of the organization's assets?		✓
6	Does the organization have members or stockholders?		✓
7a	Does the organization have members, stockholders, or other persons who may elect one or more members of the governing body?		✓
7b	Are any decisions of the governing body subject to approval by members, stockholders, or other persons?		✓
8	Did the organization contemporaneously document the meetings held or written actions undertaken during the year by the following:		
a	The governing body?	✓	
b	Each committee with authority to act on behalf of the governing body?	✓	
9	Is there any officer, director, 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		✓

Section B. Policies (This Section B requests information about policies not required by the Internal Revenue Code.)

		Yes	No
10a	Does the organization have local chapters, branches, or affiliates?		✓
10b	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?		
11	Has the organization provided a copy of this Form 990 to all members of its governing body before filing the form?		✓
11A	Describe in Schedule O the process, if any, used by the organization to review this Form 990.		
12a	Does the organization have a written conflict of interest policy? If "No," go to line 13	✓	
12b	Are officers, directors or trustees, and key employees required to disclose annually interests that could give rise to conflicts?	✓	
12c	Does the organization regularly and consistently monitor and enforce compliance with the policy? If "Yes," describe in Schedule O how this is done	✓	
13	Does the organization have a written whistleblower policy?	✓	
14	Does the organization have a written document retention and destruction policy?	✓	
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	✓	
b	Other officers or key employees of the organization	✓	
	If "Yes" to line 15a or 15b, describe the process in Schedule O. (See instructions.)		
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?		✓
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 ► **MI**
- 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.
 Own website Another's website 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: ► **Amanda Edmonds, 32 N. Washington St, Ypsilanti, MI 48198**

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. Report compensation for the calendar year ending with or within the organization's tax year. 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. Enter -0- in columns (D), (E), and (F) if no compensation was paid.
- List all of the organization's **current** key employees. See instructions for definition of "key employee."
- 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 current officer, director, or trustee.

as of 7/2010

(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			
Sharon Sheldon, President 860 N. Sages Drive, PO Box 195, Lupton, MI	8			✓						
Patty Donahue, Secretary 100027 Fairview, Taylor, MI 48180	6			✓						
Lynne Chaimowitz, Treasurer 812 Duncan St., Ann Arbor, MI 48103	5			✓						
E. Daniel Ayres, Director 306 N. Clubview DR., Ypsilanti, MI 48197	4			✓						
Pauline Bigby, Director 1441 Witmire Street, Ypsilanti, MI 48197	4			✓						
Ellen Bunting, Director 4120 E. Loch Alpine, Ann Arbor, MI 48103	4			✓						
Melvin Gaines, Director 902 Brown St., Ann Arbor, MI 48104	4			✓						
Kristen Cuhran, Director 11 S. Normal Street, Ypsilanti, MI 48197	4			✓						
David Palmer, Director PO Box 980536, Ypsilanti, MI 48198	4			✓						
Jessica Jane French, Director 310 River, Apt C, Ypsilanti, MI 48197	4			✓						
Amanda Maria Edmonds, Executive Director 320 Garland St. Ypsilanti, MI 48198	40			✓		✓	40,915			
Aubrey Thomason, Director 211 Woodland, Ypsilanti, MI 48197	4			✓						
Khalilah Burt, Director 3100 Woodland Hills Dr. Apt 26, Ann arbor, MI				✓						

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	1a Federated campaigns	1a	0				
	b Membership dues	1b	0				
	c Fundraising events	1c	15,410				
	d Related organizations	1d	0				
	e Government grants (contributions).	1e	28,789				
	f All other contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts not included above	1f	130,330				
	g Noncash contributions included in lines 1a-1f: \$		63,563				
	h Total. Add lines 1a-1f			174,529			
Program Service Revenue	2a Garden and Farmers' Market		Business Code				
			27,204				
	b Program Service Contracts		141,284				
	c						
	d						
	e						
	f All other program service revenue						
g Total. Add lines 2a-2f			168,488				
Other Revenue	3 Investment income (including dividends, interest, and other similar amounts)			1			
	4 Income from investment of tax-exempt bond proceeds			0			
	5 Royalties			0			
	6a Gross Rents	(i) Real	(ii) Personal				
	b Less: rental expenses						
	c Rental income or (loss)						
	d Net rental income or (loss)			0			
	7a Gross amount from sales of assets other than inventory	(i) Securities	(ii) Other				
	b Less: cost or other basis and sales expenses						
	c Gain or (loss)						
	d Net gain or (loss)			0			
	8a 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							
9a Gross income from gaming activities See Part IV, line 19	a		7,557				
	b Less: direct expenses	b	0				
	c Net income or (loss) from gaming activities			7,557			
10a 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					
11a							
	b						
	c						
	d All other revenue			5			
e Total. Add lines 11a-11d			5				
12 Total revenue. See instructions			350,579				

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).

<i>Do not include amounts reported on lines 6b, 7b, 8b, 9b, and 10b of Part VIII.</i>		(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	0			
2	Grants and other assistance to individuals in the U.S. See Part IV, line 22	0			
3	Grants and other assistance to governments, organizations, and individuals outside the U.S. See Part IV, lines 15 and 16	0			
4	Benefits paid to or for members	0			
5	Compensation of current officers, directors, trustees, and key employees	40198	28139	4019	8040
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	65443	53324	8071	4036
8	Pension plan contributions (include section 401(k) and section 403(b) employer contributions)				
9	Other employee benefits	8848	6304	848	1696
10	Payroll taxes	9221	6455	922	1844
11	Fees for services (non-employees):				
a	Management				
b	Legal				
c	Accounting ← Payroll service	302	95	69	138
d	Lobbying				0
e	Professional fundraising services See Part IV, line 17	0			
f	Investment management fees				
g	Other	15020	14930	90	
12	Advertising and promotion	100	100		
13	Office expenses	9711	6423	1362	1926
14	Information technology	2439	1725	238	476
15	Royalties	0			
16	Occupancy	20396	17878	839	1679
17	Travel	407	407		
18	Payments of travel or entertainment expenses for any federal, state, or local public officials	0			
19	Conferences, conventions, and meetings	352	352		
20	Interest	836	0	836	0
21	Payments to affiliates	0			
22	Depreciation, depletion, and amortization	864	864		
23	Insurance	2007	1405	201	401
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	In-kind Services	63563	63563		
b	Program Supplies	41577	41044	360	173
c	Contract expenses (stipends for youth)	12206	12116	90	
d	Merchandise	566	350		216
e	Special Events Direct Costs	3819			3819
f	All other expenses	1928	432	953	543
25	Total functional expenses. Add lines 1 through 24f	298968	253858	13371	30874
26	Joint costs. 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	19015	1	51339	
	2 Savings and temporary cash investments		2		
	3 Pledges and grants receivable, net		3	5888	
	4 Accounts receivable, net		4	3688	
	5 Receivables from current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, and highest compensated employees. Complete Part II of Schedule L	360	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	360	
	8 Inventories for sale or use		8		
	9 Prepaid expenses and deferred charges	62	9	85	
	10a Land, buildings, and equipment: cost or other basis. Complete Part VI of Schedule D	10a 251525			
	b Less: accumulated depreciation	10b 2053	250897	10c	251040
	11 Investments—publicly traded securities		11		
	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	315	15	315	
16 Total assets. Add lines 1 through 15 (must equal line 34)	270649	16	312715		
Liabilities	17 Accounts payable and accrued expenses	1789	17	672	
	18 Grants payable		18		
	19 Deferred revenue		19		
	20 Tax-exempt bond liabilities		20		
	21 Escrow or custodial 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	14267	22	5000	
	23 Secured mortgages and notes payable to unrelated third parties	165000	23	165000	
	24 Unsecured notes and loans payable to unrelated third parties	672	24		
	25 Other liabilities. Complete Part X of Schedule D		25		
	26 Total liabilities. Add lines 17 through 25	181728	26	170672	
Net Assets or Fund Balances	Organizations that follow SFAS 117, check here <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 27 through 29, and lines 33 and 34.				
	27 Unrestricted net assets		27	142043	
	28 Temporarily restricted net assets		28		
	29 Permanently restricted net assets		29		
	Organizations that do not follow SFAS 117, check here <input type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 30 through 34.				
	30 Capital stock or trust principal, or current funds		30		
	31 Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, building, or equipment fund	88920	31		
	32 Retained earnings, endowment, accumulated income, or other funds		32		
33 Total net assets or fund balances		33			
34 Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances	270649	34	312715		

Part XI Financial Statements and Reporting

1 Accounting method used to prepare the Form 990. Cash Accrual Other _____
 If the organization changed its method of accounting from a prior year or checked "Other," explain in Schedule O

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 line 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? . . .
 If the organization changed either its oversight process or selection process during the tax year, explain in Schedule O.

d If "Yes" to line 2a or 2b, check a box below to indicate whether the financial statements for the year were issued on a consolidated basis, separate basis, or both:

Separate basis Consolidated basis Both consolidated and separate basis

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? If the organization did not undergo the required audit or audits, explain why in Schedule O and describe any steps taken to undergo such audits.

	Yes	No
2a	✓	
2b	✓	
2c	✓	
3a		✓
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) 2005	(b) 2006	(c) 2007	(d) 2008	(e) 2009	(f) Total
1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received. (Do not include any "unusual grants.")						
2 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf						
3 The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge						
4 Total. Add lines 1 through 3						
5 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)						
6 Public support. Subtract line 5 from line 4						

Section B. Total Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ►	(a) 2005	(b) 2006	(c) 2007	(d) 2008	(e) 2009	(f) Total
7 Amounts from line 4						
8 Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources						
9 Net income from unrelated business activities, whether or not the business is regularly carried on						
10 Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part IV.)						
11 Total support. Add lines 7 through 10						
12 Gross receipts from related activities, etc. (see instructions)					12	
13 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						<input type="checkbox"/>

Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage

14 Public support percentage for 2009 (line 6, column (f) divided by line 11, column (f))	14	%
15 Public support percentage from 2008 Schedule A, Part II, line 14	15	%
16a 33 1/3 % support test—2009. 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 type="checkbox"/>
b 33 1/3 % support test—2008. 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"/>
17a 10%-facts-and-circumstances test—2009. 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 10%-facts-and-circumstances test—2008. 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"/>
18 Private foundation. 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) 2005	(b) 2006	(c) 2007	(d) 2008	(e) 2009	(f) Total
1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received (Do not include any "unusual grants.")	76269	64002	188870	129801	174529	633471
2 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	-329	11544	17382	10427	168488	207512
3 Gross receipts from activities that are not an unrelated trade or business under section 513	0	0	0	0	0	0
4 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf	0	0	0	0	0	0
5 The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge	0	0	0	0	0	0
6 Total. Add lines 1 through 5	81948	75,940	75,546	206,252	343,017	782703
7a Amounts included on lines 1, 2, and 3 received from disqualified persons						
b Amounts included on lines 2 and 3 received from other than disqualified persons that exceed the greater of \$5,000 or 1% of the amount on line 13 for the year						
c Add lines 7a and 7b						
8 Public support (Subtract line 7c from line 6.)						782,703

Section B. Total Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ►	(a) 2005	(b) 2006	(c) 2007	(d) 2008	(e) 2009	(f) Total
9 Amounts from line 6	75,940	75,546	206,252	140,228	343,017	782,703
10a Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources	13	0	9	19	1	42
b Unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 taxes) from businesses acquired after June 30, 1975						
c Add lines 10a and 10b	13		9	19	1	42
11 Net income from unrelated business activities not included in line 10b, whether or not the business is regularly carried on						
12 Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part IV.)						
13 Total support. (Add lines 9, 10c, 11, and 12.)	75953	75546	206261	140247	343018	782745
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 <input type="checkbox"/>						

Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage

15 Public support percentage for 2009 (line 8, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f))	15	99.9 %
16 Public support percentage from 2008 Schedule A, Part III, line 15	16	99.6 %

Section D. Computation of Investment Income Percentage

17 Investment income percentage for 2009 (line 10c, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f))	17	less than 1 %
18 Investment income percentage from 2008 Schedule A, Part III, line 17	18	.04 %

- 19a 33 1/3 % support tests—2009.** 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—2008.** 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

Complete if the organization answered "Yes," to Form 990, Part IV, line 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, or 12. Attach to Form 990. See separate instructions.

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Name of the organization Growing Hope, Inc.

Employer identification number 74 : 3091845

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.

Table with 2 columns: (a) Donor advised funds, (b) Funds and other accounts. Rows 1-4: Total number at end of year, Aggregate contributions to (during year), Aggregate grants from (during year), 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?
6 Did the organization inform all grantees, donors, and donor advisors in writing that grant funds can be used only for charitable purposes and not for the benefit of the donor or donor advisor, or for any other purpose conferring impermissible private benefit?

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).
2 Complete lines 2a through 2d if the organization held a qualified conservation contribution in the form of a conservation easement on the last day of the tax year

Table with 2 columns: Held at the End of the Tax Year. Rows 2a-2d: Total number of conservation easements, Total acreage restricted by conservation easements, Number of conservation easements on a certified historic structure included in (a), Number of conservation easements included in (c) acquired after 8/17/06.

- 3 Number of conservation easements modified, transferred, released, extinguished, or terminated by the organization during the tax 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, handling of violations, and enforcement of the conservation easements it holds?
6 Staff and volunteer hours devoted to monitoring, inspecting, and enforcing conservation easements during the year
7 Amount of expenses incurred in monitoring, inspecting, and enforcing conservation 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)?
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:
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:

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

- 3** Using the organization's acquisition, 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 **Escrow and Custodial Arrangements.** Complete if the 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:
- | | Amount |
|----------------------------------------|-----------|
| c Beginning balance | 1c |
| d Additions during the year | 1d |
| e Distributions during the year | 1e |
| f Ending balance | 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 the 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 Net investment earnings, gains, and 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:
- | | Yes | No |
|------------------------------------|---------------|----|
| (i) unrelated organizations | 3a(i) | |
| (ii) related organizations | 3a(ii) | |
- b** If "Yes" to 3a(ii), are the related organizations listed as required on Schedule R? **3b**
- 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) Accumulated depreciation	(d) Book value
1a Land	225,000			
b Buildings	25,678		1219	24459
c Leasehold improvements				
d Equipment	2,415		864	1551
e Other				
Total. Add lines 1a through 1e. (Column (d) must equal Form 990, Part X, column (B), line 10(c).)				251040

Part VII Investments—Other Securities. See Form 990, Part X, line 12.

(a) Description of security or category (including name of security)	(b) Book value	(c) Method of valuation Cost or end-of-year market value
Financial derivatives		
Closely-held equity interests		
Other		
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Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col. (B) line 12.) ▶		

Part VIII Investments—Program Related. See Form 990, Part X, line 13.

(a) Description of investment type	(b) Book value	(c) Method of valuation Cost or end-of-year market value
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Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col. (B) line 13.) ▶		

Part IX Other Assets. See Form 990, Part X, line 15.

(a) Description	(b) Book value
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Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col. (B) line 15.) ▶	

Part X Other Liabilities. See Form 990, Part X, line 25.

1. (a) Description of liability	(b) Amount
Federal income taxes	
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Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col. (B) line 25.) ▶	

2. FIN 48 Footnote. In Part XIV, provide the text of the footnote to the organization's financial statements that reports the organization's liability for uncertain tax positions under FIN 48.

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
		Dinner Event -HH (event type)	Wine Tasting (event type)	All other (total number)	(add col (a) through col (c))
Revenue	1 Gross receipts	11321	852	3237	15410
	2 Less: Charitable contributions				
	3 Gross income (line 1 minus line 2)				
Direct Expenses	4 Cash prizes				
	5 Noncash prizes				
	6 Rent/facility costs	2095			2095
	7 Food and beverages	687		144	831
	8 Entertainment				
	9 Other direct expenses	743	50	100	893
	10 Direct expense summary. Add lines 4 through 9 in column (d) ▶				(3819)
11 Net income summary. Combine line 3, column (d), and line 10 ▶				11591	

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 Noncash prizes				
	4 Rent/facility costs				
	5 Other direct expenses			0	
	6 Volunteer labor	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes _____ % <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes _____ % <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes 100 % <input type="checkbox"/> No	
7 Direct expense summary. Add lines 2 through 5 in column (d) ▶					(0)
8 Net gaming income summary. Combine line 1, column d, and line 7 ▶					7557

9 Enter the state(s) in which the organization operates gaming activities: <u>Michigan</u>	Yes	No
a Is the organization licensed to operate gaming activities in each of these states?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
b If "No," explain:		
10a Were any of the organization's gaming licenses revoked, suspended or terminated during the tax year?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
b If "Yes," explain:		
11 Does the organization operate gaming activities with nonmembers?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
12 Is the organization a grantor, beneficiary or trustee of a trust or a member of a partnership or other entity formed to administer charitable gaming?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

		Yes	No						
13	Indicate the percentage of gaming activity operated in:								
	<table border="1" style="width:100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="width: 5%;">13a</td> <td style="width: 50%;">The organization's facility</td> <td style="width: 10%; text-align: right;">%</td> </tr> <tr> <td>13b</td> <td>An outside facility</td> <td style="text-align: right;">100 %</td> </tr> </table>	13a	The organization's facility	%	13b	An outside facility	100 %		
13a	The organization's facility	%							
13b	An outside facility	100 %							
14	Enter the name and address of the person who prepares the organization's gaming/special events books and records:								
	Name ▶ Amanda Edmonds								
	Address ▶ 32 Washington St., Ypsilanti, MI 48198								
15a	Does the organization have a contract with a third party from whom the organization receives gaming revenue?		✓						
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 of the third party.								
	Name ▶ _____								
	Address ▶ _____								
16	Gaming manager information:								
	Name ▶ Patty Donahue								
	Gaming manager compensation ▶ \$ _____ 0								
	Description of services provided ▶ Application work and record-keeping								
	<input type="checkbox"/> Director/officer <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Employee <input type="checkbox"/> 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 to be distributed to other exempt organizations or spent in the organization's own exempt activities during the tax year ▶ \$ _____								

**SCHEDULE J
(Form 990)**

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Compensation Information
For certain Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest
Compensated Employees
▶ Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990,
Part IV, line 23.
▶ Attach to Form 990. ▶ See separate instructions.

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Part I Questions Regarding Compensation

	Yes	No
1a Check the appropriate box(es) if the organization provided any of the following to or for a person listed in Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a. Complete Part III to provide any relevant information regarding these items <input type="checkbox"/> First-class or charter travel <input type="checkbox"/> Travel for companions <input type="checkbox"/> Tax indemnification and gross-up payments <input type="checkbox"/> Discretionary spending account <input type="checkbox"/> Housing allowance or residence for personal use <input type="checkbox"/> Payments for business use of personal residence <input type="checkbox"/> Health or social club dues or initiation fees <input type="checkbox"/> Personal services (e.g., maid, chauffeur, chef)		
b If any of the boxes on line 1a are checked, did the organization follow a written policy regarding payment or reimbursement or provision of all of the expenses described above? If "No," complete Part III to explain	1b	
2 Did the organization require substantiation prior to reimbursing or allowing expenses incurred by all officers, directors, trustees, and the CEO/Executive Director, regarding the items checked in line 1a?	2	
3 Indicate which, if any, of the following the organization uses to establish the compensation of the organization's CEO/Executive Director. Check all that apply. <input type="checkbox"/> Compensation committee <input type="checkbox"/> Independent compensation consultant <input type="checkbox"/> Form 990 of other organizations <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Written employment contract <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Compensation survey or study <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Approval by the board or compensation committee		
4 During the year, did any person listed in Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, with respect to the filing organization or a related organization: a Receive a severance payment or change-of-control payment? b Participate in, or receive payment from, a supplemental nonqualified retirement plan? c Participate in, or receive payment from, an equity-based compensation arrangement? If "Yes" to any of lines 4a-c, list the persons and provide the applicable amounts for each item in Part III.	4a 4b 4c	 ✓ ✓ ✓
Only section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations must complete lines 5-9.		
5 For persons listed in Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization pay or accrue any compensation contingent on the revenues of: a The organization? b Any related organization? If "Yes" to line 5a or 5b, describe in Part III.	5a 5b	 ✓ ✓
6 For persons listed in Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization pay or accrue any compensation contingent on the net earnings of: a The organization? b Any related organization? If "Yes" to line 6a or 6b, describe in Part III.	6a 6b	 ✓ ✓
7 For persons listed in Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization provide any non-fixed payments not described in lines 5 and 6? If "Yes," describe in Part III	7	✓
8 Were any amounts reported in Form 990, Part VII, paid or accrued pursuant to a contract that was subject to the initial contract exception described in Regs. section 53.4958-4(a)(3)? If "Yes," describe in Part III	8	✓
9 If "Yes" to line 8, did the organization also follow the rebuttable presumption procedure described in Regulations section 53.4958-6(c)?	9	✓

Part II Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees. Use Schedule J-1 if additional space is needed.

For each individual whose compensation must be reported in Schedule J, report compensation from the organization on row (i) and from related organizations, described in the instructions, on row (ii). Do not list any individuals that are not listed on Form 990, Part VII

Note. The sum of columns (B)(i)-(iii) must equal the applicable column (D) or column (E) amounts on Form 990, Part VII, line 1a.

(A) Name	(B) Breakdown of W-2 and/or 1099-MISC compensation			(C) Retirement and other deferred compensation	(D) Nontaxable benefits	(E) Total of columns (B)(i)-(D)	(F) Compensation reported in prior Form 990 or Form 990-EZ
	(i) Base compensation	(ii) Bonus & incentive compensation	(iii) Other reportable compensation				
Amanda Edmonds	(i)	40,915			5,434	46,349	40915
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Part III Supplemental Information

Complete this part to provide the information, explanation, or descriptions required for Part I, lines 1a, 1b, 4c, 5a, 5b, 6a, 6b, 7, and 8. Also complete this part for any additional information.

Area with horizontal dashed lines for supplemental information.

**SCHEDULE M
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Noncash Contributions

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▶ Complete if the organizations answered "Yes" on Form
990, Part IV, lines 29 or 30.
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Part I Types of Property

	(a) Check if applicable	(b) Number of contributions	(c) Revenues reported on Form 990, Part VIII, line 1g	(d) Method of determining revenues
1 Art—Works of art				
2 Art—Historical treasures				
3 Art—Fractional interests				
4 Books and publications				
5 Clothing and household goods				
6 Cars and other vehicles				
7 Boats and planes				
8 Intellectual property				
9 Securities—Publicly traded				
10 Securities—Closely held stock				
11 Securities—Partnership, LLC, or trust interests				
12 Securities—Miscellaneous				
13 Qualified conservation contribution—Historic structures				
14 Qualified conservation contribution—Other				
15 Real estate—Residential				
16 Real estate—Commercial				
17 Real estate—Other				
18 Collectibles				
19 Food inventory				
20 Drugs and medical supplies				
21 Taxidermy				
22 Historical artifacts				
23 Scientific specimens				
24 Archeological artifacts				
25 Other ▶ (Services)	✓		\$63,563	Budgeted \$- Actual due to
26 Other ▶ (.)				
27 Other ▶ (.)				
28 Other ▶ (.)				

Budgeted cost-
actual due to
skilled labor
contribution

29 Number of Forms 8283 received by the organization during the tax year for contributions for which the organization completed Form 8283, Part IV, Donee Acknowledgement **29** **0**

	Yes	No
30a During the year, did the organization receive by contribution any property reported in Part I, lines 1–28 that it must hold for at least three years from the date of the initial contribution, and which is not required to be used for exempt purposes for the entire holding period?		✓
b If "Yes," describe the arrangement in Part II.		
31 Does the organization have a gift acceptance policy that requires the review of any non-standard contributions?	✓	
32a Does the organization hire or use third parties or related organizations to solicit, process, or sell noncash contributions?		✓
b If "Yes," describe in Part II		
33 If the organization did not report revenues in column (c) for a type of property for which column (a) is checked, describe in Part II.		

**SCHEDULE O
(Form 990)**

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Supplemental Information to Form 990
Complete to provide information for responses to specific questions on
Form 990 or to provide any additional information.
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4d. Other Program Services:

(Expenses: \$10,964) Community Outreach and Involvement: Touches thousands each year across Washtenaw County

and Michigan through participation at numerous community events and fairs; through leadership in the Ypsilanti

Pride Day, Ypsilanti Health Coalition, the Michigan School and Community Garden Network, statewide School Garden

Nutrition Committee, and others; and through other outreach efforts.

(Expenses: \$ 37,767) Gardens Program: Supports homes, school, and community gardens in Washtenaw County by providi

start-up training, education, and resources that help people grow their own food.

VI Line 19:

The organization creates governing documents by having an officer or officers draft documents, then they are brought to

the entire Board of Directors on consensus and vote. These documents are made available to the public via request

through e-mail, on GuideStar.org, or on www.growinghope.net.

Line 11: This 990 was not made available to the Board of Director's prior to submission given the deadline by which we

had to submit the documents and the time taken to complete our financial statement audit. Following submission to

the IRS, the Board will review and vote on whether or not to submit an ammended return, or if the return was deemed

free of mistatements.

