

Form **990**
 Department of the Treasury
 Internal Revenue Service

Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax
Under section 501(c), 527, or 4947(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code (except black lung benefit trust or private foundation)
 The organization may have to use a copy of this return to satisfy state reporting requirements

OMB No 1545-0047
2012
Open to Public Inspection

A For the 2012 calendar year, or tax year beginning 01-01-2012, 2012, and ending 12-31-2012

B Check if applicable: <input type="checkbox"/> Address change <input type="checkbox"/> Name change <input type="checkbox"/> Initial return <input type="checkbox"/> Terminated <input type="checkbox"/> Amended return <input type="checkbox"/> Application pending	C Name of organization GRID ALTERNATIVES Doing Business As Number and street (or P.O. box if mail is not delivered to street address) Room/suite 1171 OCEAN AVENUE NO 200 City or town, state or country, and ZIP + 4 OAKLAND, CA 94608 F Name and address of principal officer ERICA MACKIE 1171 OCEAN AVENUE NO 200 OAKLAND, CA 94608	D Employer identification number 26-0043353 E Telephone number (510) 652-4730 G Gross receipts \$ 33,895,965
I Tax-exempt status: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 501(c)(3) <input type="checkbox"/> 501(c) () (Insert no) <input type="checkbox"/> 4947(a)(1) or <input type="checkbox"/> 527		H(a) Is this a group return for affiliates? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No H(b) Are all affiliates included? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If "No," attach a list (see instructions) H(c) Group exemption number
J Website: WWW.GRIDALTERNATIVES.ORG		K Form of organization: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Corporation <input type="checkbox"/> Trust <input type="checkbox"/> Association <input type="checkbox"/> Other L Year of formation: 2002 M State of legal domicile: CA

Part I Summary

Activities & Governance	1 Briefly describe the organization's mission or most significant activities GRID ALTERNATIVES' MISSION IS TO PROVIDE ENERGY COST SAVINGS TO LOW-INCOME HOMEOWNERS THROUGH INSTALLATION OF SOLAR ELECTRIC SYSTEMS AND TRAINING IN ENERGY EFFICIENCY, WHILE PROVIDING HANDS-ON SOLAR INSTALLATION OPPORTUNITIES TO JOB TRAINING ORGANIZATIONS AND COMMUNITY VOLUNTEERS 2 Check this box <input type="checkbox"/> 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 8 4 Number of independent voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1b) 4 8 5 Total number of individuals employed in calendar year 2012 (Part V, line 2a) 5 121 6 Total number of volunteers (estimate if necessary) 6 2,956 7a Total 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 0	
Revenue	8 Contributions and grants (Part VIII, line 1h) Prior Year 2,426,035 Current Year 4,566,328 9 Program service revenue (Part VIII, line 2g) 18,597,598 29,328,763 10 Investment income (Part VIII, column (A), lines 3, 4, and 7d) 235 874 11 Other revenue (Part VIII, column (A), lines 5, 6d, 8c, 9c, 10c, and 11e) 0 0 12 Total revenue—add lines 8 through 11 (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12) 21,023,868 33,895,965	
Expenses	13 Grants and similar amounts paid (Part IX, column (A), lines 1–3) 0 0 14 Benefits paid to or for members (Part IX, column (A), line 4) 0 0 15 Salaries, other compensation, employee benefits (Part IX, column (A), lines 5–10) 4,324,672 5,875,981 16a Professional fundraising fees (Part IX, column (A), line 11e) 0 0 b Total fundraising expenses (Part IX, column (D), line 25) 1,072,861 17 Other expenses (Part IX, column (A), lines 11a–11d, 11f–24e) 14,237,499 24,002,770 18 Total expenses Add lines 13–17 (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25) 18,562,171 29,878,751 19 Revenue less expenses Subtract line 18 from line 12 2,461,697 4,017,214	
Net Assets or Fund Balances	20 Total assets (Part X, line 16) Beginning of Current Year 7,059,722 End of Year 9,598,046 21 Total liabilities (Part X, line 26) 4,104,634 2,625,744 22 Net assets or fund balances Subtract line 21 from line 20 2,955,088 6,972,302	

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 ERICA MACKIE EXEC DIRECTOR Type or print name and title	2013-05-15 Date	
Paid Preparer Use Only	Prnt/Type preparer's name DEBBIE R DIMERY	Preparer's signature Date	Check <input type="checkbox"/> if self-employed PTIN P01065763
	Firm's name LINDQUIST LLP		Firm's EIN 52-2385296
	Firm's address 5000 EXECUTIVE PARKWAY SUITE 400 SAN RAMON, CA 94583		Phone no (925) 277-9100

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

Part III Statement of Program Service Accomplishments

Check if Schedule O contains a response to any question in this Part III Yes No

1 Briefly describe the organization's mission
GRID ALTERNATIVES' MISSION IS TO PROVIDE ENERGY COST SAVINGS TO LOW-INCOME HOMEOWNERS THROUGH INSTALLATION OF SOLAR ELECTRIC SYSTEMS AND TRAINING IN ENERGY EFFICIENCY, WHILE PROVIDING HANDS-ON SOLAR INSTALLATION OPPORTUNITIES TO JOB TRAINING ORGANIZATIONS AND COMMUNITY VOLUNTEERS

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 organization's program service accomplishments for each of its three largest program services, as measured by expenses Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations 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 \$ 27,878,486 including grants of \$) (Revenue \$ 29,328,763)
PROVIDED ALTERNATIVE RENEWABLE ENERGY FOR LOW-INCOME RESIDENTS THROUGH CONSULTATION AND INSTALLATION OF RENEWABLE SOLAR ELECTRICAL SYSTEMS IN-KIND SERVICES DONATED TO GRID ALTERNATIVES IN 2012 INCLUDED LEGAL COUNSEL (PRIMARILY AROUND AFFILIATION, HUMAN RESOURCES, AND PROJECT FINANCING), PROFESSIONAL MANAGEMENT TRAINING, PUBLIC RELATIONS SERVICES, AND SKILLED SOLAR INSTALLATION ASSISTANCE THROUGH GRID ALTERNATIVE'S VOLUNTEER TEAM LEADER PROGRAM

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 27,878,486

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 type="checkbox"/>	Yes	
2 Is the organization required to complete <i>Schedule B, Schedule of Contributors</i> (see instructions)? <input type="checkbox"/>	Yes	
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"/>		No
4 Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Did the organization engage in lobbying activities, or have a section 501(h) election in effect during the tax year? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part II</i> <input type="checkbox"/>	Yes	
5 Is the organization a section 501(c)(4), 501(c)(5), or 501(c)(6) organization that receives membership dues, assessments, or similar amounts as defined in Revenue Procedure 98-19? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part III</i> <input type="checkbox"/>		No
6 Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds or any similar funds or accounts for which 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"/>		No
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"/>		No
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"/>		No
9 Did the organization report an amount in Part X, line 21 for escrow or custodial account liability, 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"/>		No
10 Did the organization, directly or through a related organization, hold assets in temporarily restricted endowments, permanent endowments, or quasi-endowments? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part V</i> <input type="checkbox"/>		No
11 If the organization's answer to any of the following questions is "Yes," then complete Schedule D, Parts VI, VII, VIII, IX, or X as applicable		
a 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> <input type="checkbox"/>	Yes	
b 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> <input type="checkbox"/>		No
c 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> <input type="checkbox"/>		No
d 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> <input type="checkbox"/>	Yes	
e Did the organization report an amount for other liabilities in Part X, line 25? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X</i> <input type="checkbox"/>		No
f 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 (ASC 740)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X</i> <input type="checkbox"/>	Yes	
12a Did the organization obtain separate, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Parts XI and XII</i> <input type="checkbox"/>	Yes	
b Was the organization included in consolidated, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? <i>If "Yes," and if the organization answered "No" to line 12a, then completing Schedule D, Parts XI and XII is optional</i> <input type="checkbox"/>		No
13 Is the organization a school described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule E</i> <input type="checkbox"/>		No
14a Did the organization maintain an office, employees, or agents outside of the United States? <input type="checkbox"/>		No
b Did the organization have aggregate revenues or expenses of more than \$10,000 from grantmaking, fundraising, business, investment, and program service activities outside the United States, or aggregate foreign investments valued at \$100,000 or more? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts I and IV</i> <input type="checkbox"/>		No
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, Parts II and IV</i> <input type="checkbox"/>		No
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, Parts III and IV</i> <input type="checkbox"/>		No
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 (see instructions)</i> <input type="checkbox"/>		No
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 type="checkbox"/>		No
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"/>		No
20a Did the organization operate one or more hospital facilities? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule H</i> <input type="checkbox"/>		No
b If "Yes" to line 20a, did the organization attach a copy of its audited financial statements to this return? <input type="checkbox"/>		

Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules (continued)

21	Did the organization report more than \$5,000 of grants and other assistance to any government or organization in the United States on Part IX, column (A), line 1? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and II</i>	21		No
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>	22		No
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>	23		No
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>	24a		No
b	Did the organization invest any proceeds of tax-exempt bonds beyond a temporary period exception?	24b		
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?	24c		
d	Did the organization act as an "on behalf of" issuer for bonds outstanding at any time during the year?	24d		
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>	25a		No
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>	25b		No
26	Was a loan to or by a current or former officer, director, trustee, key employee, highest 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>	26		No
27	Did the organization provide a grant or other assistance to an officer, director, trustee, key employee, substantial contributor or employee thereof, a grant selection committee member, or to a 35% controlled entity or family member of any of these persons? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part III</i>	27		No
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>	28a		No
b	A family member of a current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV</i>	28b		No
c	An entity of which a current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee (or a family member thereof) was an officer, director, trustee, or direct or indirect owner? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV</i>	28c	Yes	
29	Did the organization receive more than \$25,000 in non-cash contributions? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule M</i>	29	Yes	
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>	30		No
31	Did the organization liquidate, terminate, or dissolve and cease operations? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part I</i>	31		No
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>	32		No
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>	33		No
34	Was the organization related to any tax-exempt or taxable entity? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part II, III, or IV, and Part V, line 1</i>	34		No
35a	Did the organization have a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)?	35a		No
b	If "Yes" to line 35a, did the organization receive any payment from or engage in any transaction with a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2</i>	35b		
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>	36		No
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>	37		No
38	Did the organization complete Schedule O and provide explanations in Schedule O for Part VI, lines 11b and 19? Note. All Form 990 filers are required to complete Schedule O	38	Yes	

Part V Statements Regarding Other IRS Filings and Tax Compliance

Check if Schedule O contains a response to any question in this Part V

Table with columns for question number, question text, and Yes/No response boxes. Includes questions 1a-1b, 1c, 2a-2b, 3a-3b, 4a-4b, 5a-5c, 6a-6b, 7a-7h, 8, 9a-9b, 10a-10b, 11a-11b, 12a-12b, 13a-13c, and 14a-14b.

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

Check if Schedule O contains a response to any question in this Part VI

Section A. Governing Body and Management

		Yes	No
1a	Enter the number of voting members of the governing body at the end of the tax year		
	If there are material differences in voting rights among members of the governing body, or if the governing body delegated broad authority to an executive committee or similar committee, explain in Schedule O		
1b	Enter the number of voting members included in line 1a, above, who 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?		No
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?		No
4	Did the organization make any significant changes to its governing documents since the prior Form 990 was filed?	Yes	
5	Did the organization become aware during the year of a significant diversion of the organization's assets?		No
6	Did the organization have members or stockholders?		No
7a	Did the organization have members, stockholders, or other persons who had the power to elect or appoint one or more members of the governing body?		No
7b	Are any governance decisions of the organization reserved to (or subject to approval by) members, stockholders, or persons other than the governing body?		No
8	Did the organization contemporaneously document the meetings held or written actions undertaken during the year by the following		
8a	The governing body?	Yes	
8b	Each committee with authority to act on behalf of the governing body?	Yes	
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		No

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

		Yes	No
10a	Did the organization have local chapters, branches, or affiliates?	Yes	
10b	If "Yes," did the organization have written policies and procedures governing the activities of such chapters, affiliates, and branches to ensure their operations are consistent with the organization's exempt purposes?	Yes	
11a	Has the organization provided a complete copy of this Form 990 to all members of its governing body before filing the form?	Yes	
11b	Describe in Schedule O the process, if any, used by the organization to review this Form 990		
12a	Did the organization have a written conflict of interest policy? If "No," go to line 13	Yes	
12b	Were officers, directors, or trustees, and key employees required to disclose annually interests that could give rise to conflicts?	Yes	
12c	Did the organization regularly and consistently monitor and enforce compliance with the policy? If "Yes," describe in Schedule O how this was done	Yes	
13	Did the organization have a written whistleblower policy?	Yes	
14	Did the organization have a written document retention and destruction policy?	Yes	
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?		
15a	The organization's CEO, Executive Director, or top management official	Yes	
15b	Other officers or key employees of the organization	Yes	
	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?		No
16b	If "Yes," did the organization follow a written policy or procedure requiring the organization to evaluate its participation in joint venture arrangements under applicable federal tax law, and take 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 **CA**
- 18** Section 6104 requires an organization to make its Form 1023 (or 1024 if applicable), 990, and 990-T (501(c)(3)s only) available for public inspection. Indicate how you made these available. Check all that apply.
 Own website Another's website Upon request Other (explain in Schedule O)
- 19** Describe in Schedule O whether (and if so, how), the organization made its governing documents, conflict of interest policy, and financial statements available to the public during the tax year
- 20** State the name, physical address, and telephone number of the person who possesses the books and records of the organization
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Part VII Compensation of Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, Highest Compensated Employees, and Independent Contractors

Check if Schedule O contains a response to any question in this Part VII

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

• 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, if any 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, or 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 neither the organization nor any related organization compensated any current officer, director, or trustee

(A) Name and Title	(B) Average hours per week (list any hours for related organizations below dotted line)	(C) Position (do not check more than one box, unless person is both an officer and a director/trustee)						(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			
(1) JOSEPH KARP PRESIDENT	1 00	X		X				0	0	0
(2) MARDINA GRAHAM VICE-PRESIDENT	1 00	X						0	0	0
(3) IAN THOMSON SECRETARY	1 00	X		X				0	0	0
(4) ANUP JACOP DIRECTOR	1 00	X						0	0	0
(5) JANICE JENSEN DIRECTOR	1 00	X						0	0	0
(6) RIC LUCIEN TREASURER	1 00	X		X				0	0	0
(7) BEN TARBELL DIRECTOR	1 00	X						0	0	0
(8) BETH TRASK DIRECTOR	1 00	X						0	0	0
(9) TIM SEARS PE EMPLOYEE - PROGRAM DIRECTOR	40 00			X				130,000	0	9,595
(10) ERICA MACKIE ED EMPLOYEE - EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR	32 00			X				104,000	0	5,624
(11) ZACHARY FRANKLIN EMPLOYEE - DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR	40 00					X		102,000	0	10,873

Part VIII Statement of Revenue

Check if Schedule O contains a response to any question in this Part VIII

		(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 _____					
	b Membership dues 1b _____					
	c Fundraising events 1c _____					
	d Related organizations 1d _____					
	e Government grants (contributions) 1e _____ 203,937					
	f All other contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts not included above 1f _____ 4,362,391					
	g Noncash contributions included in lines 1a-1f \$ _____ 1,293,086					
	h Total. Add lines 1a-1f ▶		4,566,328			
Program Service Revenue	2a FEES-FOR-SERVICE AND U _____ Business Code 900099	29,274,471	29,274,471			
	b SOLARTHONS _____ Business Code 900099	54,292	54,292			
	c _____					
	d _____					
	e _____					
	f All other program service revenue					
	g Total. Add lines 2a-2f ▶		29,328,763			
	Other Revenue	3 Investment income (including dividends, interest, and other similar amounts) ▶	874			874
4 Income from investment of tax-exempt bond proceeds ▶						
5 Royalties ▶						
6a Gross rents		(i) Real				
		(ii) Personal				
		b Less rental expenses				
		c Rental income or (loss)				
d Net rental income or (loss) ▶						
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) ▶						
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						
		b Less direct expenses b				
	c Net income or (loss) from gaming activities ▶					
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						
e Total. Add lines 11a-11d ▶						
12 Total revenue. See Instructions ▶		33,895,965	29,328,763	0	874	

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)

Check if Schedule O contains a response to any question in this Part IX

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 United States. See Part IV, line 21.				
2 Grants and other assistance to individuals in the United States. See Part IV, line 22.				
3 Grants and other assistance to governments, organizations, and individuals outside the United States. See Part IV, lines 15 and 16.				
4 Benefits paid to or for members.				
5 Compensation of current officers, directors, trustees, and key employees	249,219	190,322	27,928	30,969
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	4,400,606	3,199,203	505,576	695,827
8 Pension plan accruals and contributions (include section 401(k) and 403(b) employer contributions)				
9 Other employee benefits	834,224	644,443	83,321	106,460
10 Payroll taxes	391,932	302,767	39,154	50,011
11 Fees for services (non-employees)				
a Management				
b Legal	18,626	8,978	9,648	
c Accounting	15,520	7,005	7,222	1,293
d Lobbying	10,088		10,088	
e Professional fundraising services. See Part IV, line 17.				
f Investment management fees				
g Other (If line 11g amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A) amount, list line 11g expenses on Schedule O)	15,193,958	15,114,044	49,586	30,328
12 Advertising and promotion				
13 Office expenses	336,569	218,684	72,350	45,535
14 Information technology	144,312	111,135	17,899	15,278
15 Royalties				
16 Occupancy	303,614	235,620	30,401	37,593
17 Travel	467,363	384,896	48,701	33,766
18 Payments of travel or entertainment expenses for any federal, state, or local public officials				
19 Conferences, conventions, and meetings	10,680	7,677	1,721	1,282
20 Interest	23,585	16,093	7,492	
21 Payments to affiliates				
22 Depreciation, depletion, and amortization	34,319	29,315	2,974	2,030
23 Insurance	162,723	150,411	5,004	7,308
24 Other expenses. Itemize expenses not covered above (List miscellaneous expenses in line 24e. If line 24e amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A) amount, list line 24e expenses on Schedule O)				
a PROGRAM SUPPLIES & EXPE	5,620,893	5,607,797	1,378	11,718
b CONSTRUCTION MATERIAL	1,293,086	1,293,086		
c MISCELLANEOUS TAX AND F	315,801	314,968	733	100
d STAFF DEVELOPMENT	51,633	42,042	6,228	3,363
e All other expenses				
25 Total functional expenses. Add lines 1 through 24e	29,878,751	27,878,486	927,404	1,072,861
26 Joint costs. Complete this line only if the organization reported in column (B) joint costs from a combined educational campaign and fundraising solicitation. Check here <input type="checkbox"/> if following SOP 98-2 (ASC 958-720)				

Part X Balance Sheet

Check if Schedule O contains a response to any question in this Part X

		(A)		(B)
		Beginning of year		End of year
Assets	1 Cash—non-interest-bearing	1,309,817	1	3,060,536
	2 Savings and temporary cash investments	104,946	2	1,121,640
	3 Pledges and grants receivable, net	2,346,985	3	1,686,253
	4 Accounts receivable, net		4	2,254,353
	5 Loans and other receivables from current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, and highest compensated employees Complete Part II of Schedule L		5	
	6 Loans and other receivables from other disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)), persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B), and contributing employers and sponsoring organizations of section 501(c)(9) voluntary employees' beneficiary organizations (see instructions) 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	91,648	9	376,186
	10a Land, buildings, and equipment cost or other basis Complete Part VI of Schedule D	10a 208,110		
	b Less accumulated depreciation	10b 90,370	98,743	10c 117,740
	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	3,107,583	15	981,338
16 Total assets. Add lines 1 through 15 (must equal line 34)	7,059,722	16	9,598,046	
Liabilities	17 Accounts payable and accrued expenses	3,074,383	17	1,569,765
	18 Grants payable		18	
	19 Deferred revenue	1,030,251	19	1,055,979
	20 Tax-exempt bond liabilities		20	
	21 Escrow or custodial account liability Complete Part IV of Schedule D		21	
	22 Loans and other 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	
	24 Unsecured notes and loans payable to unrelated third parties		24	
	25 Other liabilities (including federal income tax, payables to related third parties, and other liabilities not included on lines 17-24) Complete Part X of Schedule D	0	25	0
	26 Total liabilities. Add lines 17 through 25	4,104,634	26	2,625,744
Net Assets or Fund Balances	Organizations that follow SFAS 117 (ASC 958), check here <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 27 through 29, and lines 33 and 34.			
	27 Unrestricted net assets	2,895,088	27	5,149,222
	28 Temporarily restricted net assets	60,000	28	1,823,080
	29 Permanently restricted net assets		29	
	Organizations that do not follow SFAS 117 (ASC 958), 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		31	
	32 Retained earnings, endowment, accumulated income, or other funds		32	
33 Total net assets or fund balances	2,955,088	33	6,972,302	
34 Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances	7,059,722	34	9,598,046	

Part XI Reconciliation of Net Assets

Check if Schedule O contains a response to any question in this Part XI

1	Total revenue (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	1	33,895,965
2	Total expenses (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	2	29,878,751
3	Revenue less expenses Subtract line 2 from line 1	3	4,017,214
4	Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (must equal Part X, line 33, column (A))	4	2,955,088
5	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	5	
6	Donated services and use of facilities	6	
7	Investment expenses	7	
8	Prior period adjustments	8	
9	Other changes in net assets or fund balances (explain in Schedule O)	9	0
10	Net assets or fund balances at end of year Combine lines 3 through 9 (must equal Part X, line 33, column (B))	10	6,972,302

Part XII Financial Statements and Reporting

Check if Schedule O contains a response to any question in this Part XII

	Yes	No
1 Accounting method used to prepare the Form 990 <input type="checkbox"/> Cash <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Accrual <input type="checkbox"/> 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? If "Yes," check a box below to indicate whether the financial statements for the year were compiled or reviewed on a separate basis, consolidated basis, or both <input type="checkbox"/> Separate basis <input type="checkbox"/> Consolidated basis <input type="checkbox"/> Both consolidated and separate basis		No
2b Were the organization's financial statements audited by an independent accountant? If "Yes," check a box below to indicate whether the financial statements for the year were audited on a separate basis, consolidated basis, or both <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Separate basis <input type="checkbox"/> Consolidated basis <input type="checkbox"/> Both consolidated and separate basis	Yes	
2c 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	Yes	
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?		No
3b 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		

SCHEDULE A
(Form 990 or 990EZ)

Public Charity Status and Public Support

OMB No 1545-0047

2012

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Complete if the organization is a section 501(c)(3) organization or a section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust.

▶ Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ. ▶ See separate instructions.

Name of the organization
GRID ALTERNATIVES

Employer identification number
26-0043353

Part I Reason for Public Charity Status (All organizations must complete this part.) See instructions.

The organization is not a private foundation because it is (For lines 1 through 11, check only one box)

- 1 A church, convention of churches, or association of churches described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(i)**.
- 2 A school described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)**. (Attach Schedule E)
- 3 A hospital or a cooperative hospital service organization described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii)**.
- 4 A medical research organization operated in conjunction with a hospital described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii)**. Enter the hospital's name, city, and state _____
- 5 An organization operated for the benefit of a college or university owned or operated by a governmental unit described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iv)**. (Complete Part II)
- 6 A federal, state, or local government or governmental unit described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(v)**.
- 7 An organization that normally receives a substantial part of its support from a governmental unit or from the general public described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi)**. (Complete Part II)
- 8 A community trust described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi)** (Complete Part II)
- 9 An organization that normally receives (1) more than 33 1/3% of its support from contributions, membership fees, and gross receipts from activities related to its exempt functions—subject to certain exceptions, and (2) no more than 33 1/3% of its support from gross investment income and unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 tax) from businesses acquired by the organization after June 30, 1975 See **section 509(a)(2)**. (Complete Part III)
- 10 An organization organized and operated exclusively to test for public safety See **section 509(a)(4)**.
- 11 An organization organized and operated exclusively for the benefit of, to perform the functions of, or to carry out the purposes of one or more publicly supported organizations described in section 509(a)(1) or section 509(a)(2) See **section 509(a)(3)**. Check the box that describes the type of supporting organization and complete lines 11e through 11h
 a Type I b Type II c Type III - Functionally integrated d Type III - Non-functionally integrated
- e By checking this box, I certify that the organization is not controlled directly or indirectly by one or more disqualified persons other than foundation managers and other than one or more publicly supported organizations described in section 509(a)(1) or section 509(a)(2)
- f If the organization received a written determination from the IRS that it is a Type I, Type II, or Type III supporting organization, check this box
- g Since August 17, 2006, has the organization accepted any gift or contribution from any of the following persons?
 (i) A person who directly or indirectly controls, either alone or together with persons described in (ii) and (iii) below, the governing body of the supported organization?
 (ii) A family member of a person described in (i) above?
 (iii) A 35% controlled entity of a person described in (i) or (ii) above?
- h Provide the following information about the supported organization(s)

	Yes	No
11g(i)		
11g(ii)		
11g(iii)		

(i) Name of supported organization	(ii) EIN	(iii) Type of organization (described on lines 1- 9 above or IRC section (see instructions))	(iv) Is the organization in col (i) listed in your governing document?		(v) Did you notify the organization in col (i) of your support?		(vi) Is the organization in col (i) organized in the U S ?		(vii) Amount of monetary support
			Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	
Total									

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 or if the organization failed to qualify under Part III. If the organization fails to qualify under the tests listed below, please complete Part III.)

Section A. Public Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ▶	(a) 2008	(b) 2009	(c) 2010	(d) 2011	(e) 2012	(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) 2008	(b) 2009	(c) 2010	(d) 2011	(e) 2012	(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 501(c)(3) organization, check this box and stop here ▶						

Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage

14 Public support percentage for 2012 (line 6, column (f) divided by line 11, column (f))	14	
15 Public support percentage for 2011 Schedule A, Part II, line 14	15	
16a 33 1/3% support test—2012. 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 ▶		
b 33 1/3% support test—2011. 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 ▶		
17a 10%-facts-and-circumstances test—2012. 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 ▶		
b 10%-facts-and-circumstances test—2011. 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 ▶		
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 ▶		

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 or if the organization failed to qualify under Part II. If the organization fails to qualify under the tests listed below, please complete Part II.)

Section A. Public Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ▶	(a) 2008	(b) 2009	(c) 2010	(d) 2011	(e) 2012	(f) Total
1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received (Do not include any "unusual grants.")	552,023	765,725	1,440,776	2,426,034	4,620,620	9,805,178
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	289,793	2,333,487	6,590,068	18,597,599	29,274,471	57,085,418
3 Gross receipts from activities that are not an unrelated trade or business under section 513						
4 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf						
5 The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge						
6 Total. Add lines 1 through 5	841,816	3,099,212	8,030,844	21,023,633	33,895,091	66,890,596
7a Amounts included on lines 1, 2, and 3 received from disqualified persons						0
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						0
c Add lines 7a and 7b						0
8 Public support (Subtract line 7c from line 6)						66,890,596

Section B. Total Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ▶	(a) 2008	(b) 2009	(c) 2010	(d) 2011	(e) 2012	(f) Total
9 Amounts from line 6	841,816	3,099,212	8,030,844	21,023,633	33,895,091	66,890,596
10a Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources	687	1,157	468	235	874	3,421
b Unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 taxes) from businesses acquired after June 30, 1975						
c Add lines 10a and 10b	687	1,157	468	235	874	3,421
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.)	842,503	3,100,369	8,031,312	21,023,868	33,895,965	66,894,017
14 First five years. If the Form 990 is for the organization's first, second, third, fourth, or fifth tax year as a 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 2012 (line 8, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f))	15	99.990 %
16 Public support percentage from 2011 Schedule A, Part III, line 15	16	99.990 %

Section D. Computation of Investment Income Percentage

17 Investment income percentage for 2012 (line 10c, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f))	17	0.010 %
18 Investment income percentage from 2011 Schedule A, Part III, line 17	18	0.010 %

- 19a 33 1/3% support tests—2012.** 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—2011.** 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

Part IV **Supplemental Information.** Complete this part to provide the explanations required by Part II, line 10; Part II, line 17a or 17b; and Part III, line 12. Also complete this part for any additional information. (See instructions).

Facts And Circumstances Test

Explanation

SCHEDULE C (Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Political Campaign and Lobbying Activities

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2012

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Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service

For Organizations Exempt From Income Tax Under section 501(c) and section 527
- Complete if the organization is described below. - Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ.
- See separate instructions.

If the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, Line 3, or Form 990-EZ, Part V, line 46 (Political Campaign Activities), then

- Section 501(c)(3) organizations Complete Parts I-A and B Do not complete Part I-C
Section 501(c) (other than section 501(c)(3)) organizations Complete Parts I-A and C below Do not complete Part I-B
Section 527 organizations Complete Part I-A only

If the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, Line 4, or Form 990-EZ, Part VI, line 47 (Lobbying Activities), then

- Section 501(c)(3) organizations that have filed Form 5768 (election under section 501(h)) Complete Part II-A Do not complete Part II-B
Section 501(c)(3) organizations that have NOT filed Form 5768 (election under section 501(h)) Complete Part II-B Do not complete Part II-A

If the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, Line 5 (Proxy Tax) or Form 990-EZ, Part V, line 35c (Proxy Tax), then

- Section 501(c)(4), (5), or (6) organizations Complete Part III

Table with 2 columns: Name of the organization (GRID ALTERNATIVES) and Employer identification number (26-0043353)

Part I-A Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c) or is a section 527 organization.

- 1 Provide a description of the organization's direct and indirect political campaign activities in Part IV
2 Political expenditures \$ 0
3 Volunteer hours 0

Part I-B Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(3).

- 1 Enter the amount of any excise tax incurred by the organization under section 4955 \$ 0
2 Enter the amount of any excise tax incurred by organization managers under section 4955 \$ 0
3 If the organization incurred a section 4955 tax, did it file Form 4720 for this year? [] Yes [] No
4a Was a correction made? [] Yes [] No
b If "Yes," describe in Part IV

Part I-C Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c), except section 501(c)(3).

- 1 Enter the amount directly expended by the filing organization for section 527 exempt function activities \$
2 Enter the amount of the filing organization's funds contributed to other organizations for section 527 exempt function activities \$
3 Total exempt function expenditures Add lines 1 and 2 Enter here and on Form 1120-POL, line 17b \$
4 Did the filing organization file Form 1120-POL for this year? [] Yes [] No
5 Enter the names, addresses and employer identification number (EIN) of all section 527 political organizations to which the filing organization made payments

Table with 5 columns: (a) Name, (b) Address, (c) EIN, (d) Amount paid from filing organization's funds, (e) Amount of political contributions received and promptly and directly delivered to a separate political organization

Part II-A Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(3) and filed Form 5768 (election under section 501(h)).

- A** Check if the filing organization belongs to an affiliated group (and list in Part IV each affiliated group member's name, address, EIN, expenses, and share of excess lobbying expenditures)
- B** Check if the filing organization checked box A and "limited control" provisions apply

Limits on Lobbying Expenditures (The term "expenditures" means amounts paid or incurred.)	(a) Filing organization's totals	(b) Affiliated group totals												
1a Total lobbying expenditures to influence public opinion (grass roots lobbying)														
b Total lobbying expenditures to influence a legislative body (direct lobbying)														
c Total lobbying expenditures (add lines 1a and 1b)														
d Other exempt purpose expenditures														
e Total exempt purpose expenditures (add lines 1c and 1d)														
f Lobbying nontaxable amount Enter the amount from the following table in both columns														
<table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <thead> <tr> <th style="width: 35%;">If the amount on line 1e, column (a) or (b) is:</th> <th style="width: 65%;">The lobbying nontaxable amount is:</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Not over \$500,000</td> <td>20% of the amount on line 1e</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Over \$500,000 but not over \$1,000,000</td> <td>\$100,000 plus 15% of the excess over \$500,000</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Over \$1,000,000 but not over \$1,500,000</td> <td>\$175,000 plus 10% of the excess over \$1,000,000</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Over \$1,500,000 but not over \$17,000,000</td> <td>\$225,000 plus 5% of the excess over \$1,500,000</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Over \$17,000,000</td> <td>\$1,000,000</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	If the amount on line 1e, column (a) or (b) is:	The lobbying nontaxable amount is:	Not over \$500,000	20% of the amount on line 1e	Over \$500,000 but not over \$1,000,000	\$100,000 plus 15% of the excess over \$500,000	Over \$1,000,000 but not over \$1,500,000	\$175,000 plus 10% of the excess over \$1,000,000	Over \$1,500,000 but not over \$17,000,000	\$225,000 plus 5% of the excess over \$1,500,000	Over \$17,000,000	\$1,000,000		
If the amount on line 1e, column (a) or (b) is:	The lobbying nontaxable amount is:													
Not over \$500,000	20% of the amount on line 1e													
Over \$500,000 but not over \$1,000,000	\$100,000 plus 15% of the excess over \$500,000													
Over \$1,000,000 but not over \$1,500,000	\$175,000 plus 10% of the excess over \$1,000,000													
Over \$1,500,000 but not over \$17,000,000	\$225,000 plus 5% of the excess over \$1,500,000													
Over \$17,000,000	\$1,000,000													
g Grassroots nontaxable amount (enter 25% of line 1f)														
h Subtract line 1g from line 1a If zero or less, enter -0-														
i Subtract line 1f from line 1c If zero or less, enter -0-														
j If there is an amount other than zero on either line 1h or line 1i, did the organization file Form 4720 reporting section 4911 tax for this year?		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No												

4-Year Averaging Period Under Section 501(h)
(Some organizations that made a section 501(h) election do not have to complete all of the five columns below. See the instructions for lines 2a through 2f on page 4.)

Lobbying Expenditures During 4-Year Averaging Period					
Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in)	(a) 2009	(b) 2010	(c) 2011	(d) 2012	(e) Total
2a Lobbying nontaxable amount					
b Lobbying ceiling amount (150% of line 2a, column(e))					
c Total lobbying expenditures					
d Grassroots nontaxable amount					
e Grassroots ceiling amount (150% of line 2d, column (e))					
f Grassroots lobbying expenditures					

Part II-B Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(3) and has NOT filed Form 5768 (election under section 501(h)).

For each "Yes" response to lines 1a through 1i below, provide in Part IV a detailed description of the lobbying activity.

	(a)		(b)
	Yes	No	Amount
1 During the year, did the filing organization attempt to influence foreign, national, state or local legislation, including any attempt to influence public opinion on a legislative matter or referendum, through the use of			
a Volunteers?		No	
b Paid staff or management (include compensation in expenses reported on lines 1c through 1i)?		No	
c Media advertisements?		No	
d Mailings to members, legislators, or the public?		No	
e Publications, or published or broadcast statements?		No	
f Grants to other organizations for lobbying purposes?		No	
g Direct contact with legislators, their staffs, government officials, or a legislative body?		No	
h Rallies, demonstrations, seminars, conventions, speeches, lectures, or any similar means?		No	
i Other activities?	Yes		10,088
j Total Add lines 1c through 1i			10,088
2a Did the activities in line 1 cause the organization to be not described in section 501(c)(3)?		No	
b If "Yes," enter the amount of any tax incurred under section 4912			
c If "Yes," enter the amount of any tax incurred by organization managers under section 4912			
d If the filing organization incurred a section 4912 tax, did it file Form 4720 for this year?			

Part III-A Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(4), section 501(c)(5), or section 501(c)(6).

	Yes	No
1 Were substantially all (90% or more) dues received nondeductible by members?	1	
2 Did the organization make only in-house lobbying expenditures of \$2,000 or less?	2	
3 Did the organization agree to carry over lobbying and political expenditures from the prior year?	3	

Part III-B Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(4), section 501(c)(5), or section 501(c)(6) and if either (a) BOTH Part III-A, lines 1 and 2, are answered "No" OR (b) Part III-A, line 3, is answered "Yes."

1 Dues, assessments and similar amounts from members	1	
2 Section 162(e) nondeductible lobbying and political expenditures (do not include amounts of political expenses for which the section 527(f) tax was paid).		
a Current year	2a	
b Carryover from last year	2b	
c Total	2c	
3 Aggregate amount reported in section 6033(e)(1)(A) notices of nondeductible section 162(e) dues	3	
4 If notices were sent and the amount on line 2c exceeds the amount on line 3, what portion of the excess does the organization agree to carryover to the reasonable estimate of nondeductible lobbying and political expenditure next year?	4	
5 Taxable amount of lobbying and political expenditures (see instructions)	5	

Part IV Supplemental Information

Complete this part to provide the descriptions required for Part I-A, line 1, Part I-B, line 4, Part I-C, line 5, Part II-A (affiliated group list), Part II-A, line 2, and Part II-B, line 1. Also, complete this part for any additional information.

Identifier	Return Reference	Explanation
PART IV, SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION		THE ORGANIZATION ENGAGED IN LOBBYING ACTIVITIES TO INFLUENCE CALIFORNIA LEGISLATION TO PROMOTE ACCESS TO SOLAR ENERGY FOR LOW-INCOME CALIFORNIANS

SCHEDULE D (Form 990)

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Supplemental Financial Statements

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

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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 include total number at end of year, aggregate contributions, aggregate grants, aggregate value, and questions about donor informed consent.

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

Form for Part II Conservation Easements. Includes checkboxes for various purposes (land for public use, natural habitat, etc.), a table for 'Held at the End of the Year' (rows 2a-2d), and questions about monitoring and expenses.

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.

Form for Part III Organizations Maintaining Collections of Art, Historical Treasures, or Other Similar Assets. Includes questions about reporting works of art and historical treasures, and a table for revenues and assets.

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 XIII

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 XIII and complete the following table

	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 XIII. Check here if the explanation has been provided in Part XIII

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 current year end balance (line 1g, column (a)) held as

- a** Board designated or quasi-endowment ▶
 - b** Permanent endowment ▶
 - c** Temporarily restricted endowment ▶
- The percentages in lines 2a, 2b, and 2c should equal 100%

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 XIII the intended uses of the organization's endowment funds

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

Description of property	(a) Cost or other basis (investment)	(b) Cost or other basis (other)	(c) Accumulated depreciation	(d) Book value
1a Land				
b Buildings				
c Leasehold improvements				
d Equipment		208,110	90,370	117,740
e Other				
Total. Add lines 1a through 1e (Column (d) must equal Form 990, Part X, column (B), line 10(c).)				117,740

Part XI Reconciliation of Revenue per Audited Financial Statements With Revenue per Return

1	Total revenue, gains, and other support per audited financial statements		1	34,544,162
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	648,197	
c	Recoveries of prior year grants	2c		
d	Other (Describe in Part XIII)	2d		
e	Add lines 2a through 2d		2e	648,197
3	Subtract line 2e from line 1		3	33,895,965
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		
b	Other (Describe in Part XIII)	4b		
c	Add lines 4a and 4b		4c	0
5	Total revenue Add lines 3 and 4c . (This must equal Form 990, Part I, line 12)		5	33,895,965

Part XII Reconciliation of Expenses per Audited Financial Statements With Expenses per Return

1	Total expenses and losses per audited financial statements		1	30,526,948
2	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part IX, line 25			
a	Donated services and use of facilities	2a	648,197	
b	Prior year adjustments	2b		
c	Other losses	2c		
d	Other (Describe in Part XIII)	2d		
e	Add lines 2a through 2d		2e	648,197
3	Subtract line 2e from line 1		3	29,878,751
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		
b	Other (Describe in Part XIII)	4b		
c	Add lines 4a and 4b		4c	0
5	Total expenses Add lines 3 and 4c . (This must equal Form 990, Part I, line 18)		5	29,878,751

Part XIII 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, line 2, Part XI, lines 2d and 4b, and Part XII, lines 2d and 4b Also complete this part to provide any additional information

Identifier	Return Reference	Explanation
DESCRIPTION OF UNCERTAIN TAX POSITIONS UNDER FIN 48	PART X, LINE 2	ACCOUNTING PRINCIPLES GENERALLY ACCEPTED IN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA REQUIRE MANAGEMENT TO EVALUATE THE TAX POSITIONS TAKEN BY THE ORGANIZATION AND TO RECOGNIZE A TAX LIABILITY IF THE ORGANIZATION HAS TAKEN AN UNCERTAIN POSITION THAT MORE LIKELY THAN NOT WOULD NOT BE SUSTAINED UPON EXAMINATION BY THE INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE MANAGEMENT HAS ANALYZED THE TAX POSITIONS TAKEN BY THE ORGANIZATION AND HAS CONCLUDED THAT, AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2012, THERE ARE NO UNCERTAIN POSITIONS TAKEN OR EXPECTED TO BE TAKEN THAT WOULD REQUIRE RECOGNITION OF A LIABILITY OR DISCLOSURE IN THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS THE ORGANIZATION IS SUBJECT TO ROUTINE AUDITS BY THE TAXING JURISDICTIONS, HOWEVER, THERE ARE CURRENTLY NO AUDITS FOR ANY TAX PERIODS IN PROGRESS THE ORGANIZATION BELIEVES IT IS NO LONGER SUBJECT TO INCOME TAX EXAMINATIONS FOR THE YEARS PRIOR TO 2009

Schedule L (Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Transactions with Interested Persons

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Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, lines 25a, 25b, 26, 27, 28a, 28b, or 28c, or Form 990-EZ, Part V, line 38a or 40b. Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ. See separate instructions.

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Part I Excess Benefit Transactions (section 501(c)(3) and section 501(c)(4) organizations only).

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 25a or 25b, or Form 990-EZ, Part V, line 40b

Table with 4 main columns: (a) Name of disqualified person, (b) Relationship between disqualified person and organization, (c) Description of transaction, (d) Corrected? (Yes/No)

2 Enter the amount of tax incurred by organization managers or disqualified persons during the year under section 4958 \$
3 Enter the amount of tax, if any, on line 2, above, reimbursed by the organization \$

Part II Loans to and/or From Interested Persons.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990-EZ, Part V, line 38a, or Form 990, Part IV, line 26, or if the organization reported an amount on Form 990, Part X, line 5, 6, or 22

Table with 9 main columns: (a) Name of interested person, (b) Relationship with organization, (c) Purpose of loan, (d) Loan to or from the organization (To/From), (e) Original principal amount, (f) Balance due, (g) In default? (Yes/No), (h) Approved by board or committee? (Yes/No), (i) Written agreement? (Yes/No)

Part III Grants or Assistance Benefitting Interested Persons.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 27.

Table with 5 main columns: (a) Name of interested person, (b) Relationship between interested person and the organization, (c) Amount of assistance, (d) Type of assistance, (e) Purpose of assistance

Part IV Business Transactions Involving Interested Persons.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 28a, 28b, or 28c.

(a) Name of interested person	(b) Relationship between interested person and the organization	(c) Amount of transaction	(d) Description of transaction	(e) Sharing of organization's revenues?	
				Yes	No
(1) JANICE JENSEN	DIRECTOR	197,198	THE ORGANIZATION INSTALLED SOLAR ELECTRIC SYSTEMS ON HOMES BEING CONSTRUCTED BY HABITAT FOR HUMANITY EAST BAY/SILICON VALLEY, THE EMPLOYER OF THE NOTED BOARD MEMBER		No

Part V Supplemental Information

Complete this part to provide additional information for responses to questions on Schedule L (see instructions)

Identifier	Return Reference	Explanation

SCHEDULE M (Form 990)

Noncash Contributions

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Complete if the organizations answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, lines 29 or 30. Attach to Form 990.

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Part I Types of Property

Table with 4 columns: (a) Check if applicable, (b) Number of contributions or items contributed, (c) Noncash contribution amounts reported on Form 990, Part VIII, line 1g, (d) Method of determining noncash contribution amounts. Rows include Art, Books, Cars, Boats, Intellectual property, Securities, Real estate, etc.

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

Table with 2 columns: Yes, No. Row 29: Yes=29, 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?

Table with 2 columns: Yes, No. Row 30a: Yes=, No=

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?

Table with 2 columns: Yes, No. Row 31: Yes=, No=

32a Does the organization hire or use third parties or related organizations to solicit, process, or sell noncash contributions?

Table with 2 columns: Yes, No. Row 32a: Yes=, No=

b If "Yes," describe in Part II

33 If the organization did not report an amount in column (c) for a type of property for which column (a) is checked, describe in Part II

Table with 2 columns: Yes, No. Row 33: Yes=, No=

Part III **Supplemental Information.** Complete this part to provide the information required by Part I, lines 30b, 32b, and 33, and whether the organization is reporting in Part I, column (b), the number of contributions, the number of items received, or a combination of both. Also complete this part for any additional information.

Identifier

Return Reference

Explanation

Schedule M (Form 990) (2012)

SCHEDULE O
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Department of the Treasury
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Supplemental Information to Form 990 or 990-EZ

Complete to provide information for responses to specific questions on Form 990 or to provide any additional information.
▶ **Attach to Form 990 or 990-EZ.**

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Identifier	Return Reference	Explanation
	FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION A, LINE 4	THE ORGANIZATION AMENDED AND RESTATED ITS BYLAWS CHANGES INCLUDED INCREASING THE ALLOWED NUMBER OF DIRECTORS AND CREATING TWO CLASSES OF DIRECTORS THE TWO CLASSES OF DIRECTORS ARE INDEPENDENT DIRECTORS AND AFFILIATE DIRECTORS AFFILIATE DIRECTORS ARE REPRESENTATIVES FROM QUALIFIED AFFILIATE ORGANIZATIONS THAT HAVE ENTERED INTO AN AFFILIATION AGREEMENT WITH THE ORGANIZATION
	FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION B, LINE 11	THE TAX RETURNS ARE PREPARED BY AN OUTSIDE ACCOUNTING FIRM AFTER COMPLETION OF SAID RETURNS, THE ORGANIZATION IS SENT A DRAFT OF THE TAX RETURNS TO BE REVIEWED AND EXAMINED INTERNALLY THE ORGANIZATION MAKES COPIES OF THE RETURNS AND DISTRIBUTES THEM TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS AN AFFIDAVIT IS THEN SIGNED TO AUTHORIZE THE OUTSIDE ACCOUNTING FIRM TO PROCESS, SIGN AND PROVIDE COPIES OF THE RETURNS TO BE FILED WITH THE DESIGNATED GOVERNMENTAL AGENCIES BEFORE THE TAX RETURNS ARE FILED, A FINAL TAX RETURN COPY IS FORWARDED TO ALL BOARD MEMBERS THE TAX RETURNS ARE THEN E-FILED BY THE OUTSIDE ACCOUNTING FIRM
	FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION B, LINE 12C	ALL NEW BOARD MEMBERS AND KEY EMPLOYEES ARE REQUIRED TO SUBMIT A CONFLICT OF INTEREST DISCLOSURE FORM AS PART OF THEIR APPLICATION PROCESS AND TO UPDATE THIS FORM ANNUALLY
	FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION B, LINE 15	AN AD HOC COMMITTEE IS FORMED BY THE BOARD AT THE END OF EACH YEAR TO REVIEW THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AND PROGRAM DIRECTOR AND SET THEIR SALARY FOR THE FOLLOWING YEAR THE COMMITTEE REVIEWS THE PERFORMANCES OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AND THE PROGRAM DIRECTOR, AS WELL AS SALARY SURVEYS FOR RELEVANT COMPARABLE SALARY LEVELS IN THE NON-PROFIT FIELD THE COMMITTEE MAKES A RECOMMENDATION TO THE FULL BOARD, AND THE BOARD VOTES TO APPROVE SALARY ADJUSTMENTS THE SALARY ADJUSTMENTS ARE THEN PRESENTED TO THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AND PROGRAM DIRECTOR
	FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION C, LINE 19	GOVERNANCE DOCUMENTS ARE AVAILABLE FOR PUBLIC INSPECTION AT THE PRINCIPAL PLACE OF BUSINESS THE CONFLICT OF INTEREST POLICY AND THE ORGANIZATION'S FINANCIAL STATEMENTS ARE AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST
OTHER FEES	FORM 990, PART IX, LINE 11G	PROGRAM CONSULTANTS PROGRAM SERVICE EXPENSES 14,928,537 MANAGEMENT AND GENERAL EXPENSES 0 FUNDRAISING EXPENSES 250 TOTAL EXPENSES 14,928,787 OTHER PROFESSIONAL FEES PROGRAM SERVICE EXPENSES 185,507 MANAGEMENT AND GENERAL EXPENSES 49,586 FUNDRAISING EXPENSES 30,078 TOTAL EXPENSES 265,171
	FORM 990, PART XII, LINE 2C	THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS IS RESPONSIBLE FOR OVERSIGHT OF THE ANNUAL AUDIT AND FOR SELECTION OF THE INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANT THE PROCESS HAS NOT CHANGED FROM THE PRIOR YEAR
	SCHEDULE B, PART II, SECTION D	NONCASH PROPERTY WAS RECEIVED AT VARIOUS DATES THROUGHOUT THE YEAR, THEREFORE, A DATE OF JANUARY 1, 2012 HAS BEEN REPORTED AS THE DATE RECEIVED