

Form 990-EZ

Short Form

Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax
Under section 501(c), 527, or 4947(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code (except private foundations)

OMB No 1545-1150

2014

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Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service

- Do not enter social security numbers on this form as it may be made public.
Information about Form 990-EZ and its instructions is at www.irs.gov/form990.

A For the 2014 calendar year, or tax year beginning 07-01-2014, and ending 06-30-2015

B Check if applicable

- Address change
Name change
Initial return
Final return/terminated
Amended return
Application pending

C Name of organization CALIFORNIA FORWARD ACTION FUND
Number and street (or P O box, if mail is not delivered to street address) Room/suite
1107 9TH STREET NO 650
City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code
SACRAMENTO, CA 95814

D Employer identification number

26-0566442

E Telephone number

(916) 491-0022

F Group Exemption Number

G Accounting Method Cash Accrual Other (specify)

H Check if the organization is not required to attach Schedule B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF)

I Website: CAFWD-ACTION.ORG

J Tax-exempt status (check only one) 501(c)(3) 501(c)(4) (insert no) 4947(a)(1) or 527

K Form of organization Corporation Trust Association Other

L Add lines 5b, 6c, and 7b to line 9 to determine gross receipts. If gross receipts are \$200,000 or more, or if total assets (Part II, column (B) below) are \$500,000 or more, file Form 990 instead of Form 990-EZ \$75,438

Part I Revenue, Expenses, and Changes in Net Assets or Fund Balances (see the instructions for Part I)

Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part I

Table with 3 main sections: Revenue (lines 1-9), Expenses (lines 10-17), and Net Assets (lines 18-21). Includes sub-rows for detailed revenue and expense categories.

Part II Balance Sheets (see the instructions for Part II)

Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part II

	(A) Beginning of year	(B) End of year
22 Cash, savings, and investments	26,226	22 3,325
23 Land and buildings		23
24 Other assets (describe in Schedule O)	35	24 0
25 Total assets	26,261	25 3,325
26 Total liabilities (describe in Schedule O)	5,759	26 4,243
27 Net assets or fund balances (line 27 of column (B) must agree with line 21)	20,502	27 -918

Part III Statement of Program Service Accomplishments (see the instructions for Part III)

Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part III

Expenses
(Required for section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations, optional for others)

What is the organization's primary exempt purpose?

TO IMPROVE THE QUALITY OF LIFE FOR ALL CALIFORNIANS BY CREATING A MORE RESPONSIVE, REPRESENTATIVE, AND COST-EFFECTIVE GOVERNMENT

Describe the organization's program service accomplishments for each of its three largest program services, as measured by expenses. In a clear and concise manner, describe the services provided, the number of persons benefited, and other relevant information for each program title

28 DURING FY14-15, THE CALIFORNIA FORWARD ACTION FUND (CFAF) FORMED A NEW PAC NAMED "CALIFORNIA FORWARD ISSUES ACTION FUND (IAF)-YES ON PROPOSITION 2" TO SUPPORT THE YES ON PROPOSITION 2 CAMPAIGN COMMITTEE (Grants \$ 50,000) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here <input type="checkbox"/>	28a	74,175
29 GENERAL PROGRAM SERVICES SUPPORTING THE ONGOING MANAGEMENT AND OPERATIONS OF THE ORGANIZATION (Grants \$ 0) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here <input type="checkbox"/>	29a	11,583
30 (Grants \$) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here <input type="checkbox"/>	30a	
31 Other program services (describe in Schedule O) (Grants \$) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here <input type="checkbox"/>	31a	
32 Total program service expenses (add lines 28a through 31a) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	32	85,758

Part IV List of Officers, Directors, Trustees, and Key Employees (list each one even if not compensated — see the instructions for Part IV)

Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part IV

(a) Name and title	(b) Average hours per week devoted to position	(c) Reportable compensation (Forms W-2/1099-MISC) (if not paid, enter -0-)	(d) Health benefits, contributions to employee benefit plans, and deferred compensation	(e) Estimated amount of other compensation
JUAN ARAMBULA BOARD MEMBER/PRESIDENT	1 00	0	0	0
PETER WEBER BOARD MEMBER	1 00	0	0	0
LINDA BEST THRU 0115 BOARD MEMBER	1 00	0	0	0
SHAUDI FALAMAKI FULP THRU 1214 BOARD MEMBER	1 00	0	0	0
JAMES FISHKIN BOARD MEMBER	1 00	0	0	0
CARL GUARDINO BOARD MEMBER	1 00	0	0	0
JENNIFER HERNANDEZ BOARD MEMBER	1 00	0	0	0
LAURIE MADIGAN BOARD MEMBER	1 00	0	0	0
THOMAS V MCKERNAN BOARD MEMBER	1 00	0	0	0
LENNY MENDONCA BOARD MEMBER	1 00	0	0	0
CRUZ REYNOSO BOARD MEMBER/SECRETARY	1 00	0	0	0
GARY TOEBBEN BOARD MEMBER	1 00	0	0	0

Part V Other Information (Note the Schedule A and personal benefit contract statement requirements in the

instructions for Part V) Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part V

33 Did the organization engage in any significant activity not previously reported to the IRS? If "Yes," provide a detailed description of each activity in Schedule O
34 Were any significant changes made to the organizing or governing documents? If "Yes," attach a conformed copy of the amended documents if they reflect a change to the organization's name
35a Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year from business activities (such as those reported on lines 2, 6a, and 7a, among others)?
35b If "Yes," to line 35a, has the organization filed a Form 990-T for the year? If "No," provide an explanation in Schedule O
35c Was the organization a section 501(c)(4), 501(c)(5), or 501(c)(6) organization subject to section 6033(e) notice, reporting, and proxy tax requirements during the year? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part III
36 Did the organization undergo a liquidation, dissolution, termination, or significant disposition of net assets during the year? If "Yes," complete applicable parts of Schedule N
37a Enter amount of political expenditures, direct or indirect, as described in the instructions
37b Did the organization file Form 1120-POL for this year?
38a Did the organization borrow from, or make any loans to, any officer, director, trustee, or key employee or were any such loans made in a prior year and still outstanding at the end of the tax year covered by this return?
38b If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part II and enter the total amount involved
39 Section 501(c)(7) organizations Enter
39a Initiation fees and capital contributions included on line 9
39b Gross receipts, included on line 9, for public use of club facilities
40a Section 501(c)(3) organizations Enter amount of tax imposed on the organization during the year under section 4911, section 4912, section 4955
40b Section 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations Did the organization engage in any section 4958 excess benefit transaction during the year, or did it engage in an excess benefit transaction in a prior year that has not been reported on any of its prior Forms 990 or 990-EZ? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I
40c Section 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations Enter amount of tax imposed on organization managers or disqualified persons during the year under sections 4912, 4955, and 4958
40d Section 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations Enter amount of tax on line 40c reimbursed by the organization
40e All organizations At any time during the tax year, was the organization a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction? If "Yes," complete Form 8886-T
41 List the states with which a copy of this return is filed
42a The organization's books are in care of S WILLIAMS & H LEVENTHAL Telephone no (510) 841-4017 Located at 127 UNIVERSITY AVENUE BERKELEY, CA ZIP + 4 94710
42b At any time during the calendar year, did the organization have an interest in or a signature or other authority over a financial account in a foreign country (such as a bank account, securities account, or other financial account)? If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country
42c See the instructions for exceptions and filing requirements for FinCEN Form 114, Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts (FBAR) At any time during the calendar year, did the organization maintain an office outside the U S ? If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country
43 Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts filing Form 990-EZ in lieu of Form 1041 - Check here and enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the tax year
44a Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds during the year? If "Yes," Form 990 must be completed instead of Form 990-EZ
44b Did the organization operate one or more hospital facilities during the year? If "Yes," Form 990 must be completed instead of Form 990-EZ
44c Did the organization receive any payments for indoor tanning services during the year?
44d If "Yes," to line 44c, has the organization filed a Form 720 to report these payments? If "No," provide an explanation in Schedule O
45a Did the organization have a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)?
45b Did the organization receive any payment from or engage in any transaction with a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? If "Yes," Form 990 and Schedule R may need to be completed instead of Form 990-EZ (see instructions)

	Yes	No
46		No

46 Did the organization engage, directly or indirectly, in political campaign activities on behalf of or in opposition to candidates for public office? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part I

Part VI Section 501(c)(3) organizations only

All section 501(c)(3) organizations must answer questions 47-49b and 52, and complete the tables for lines 50 and 51

Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part VI

	Yes	No
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49a		
49b		

47 Did the organization engage in lobbying activities or have a section 501(h) election in effect during the tax year? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part II

48 Is the organization a school as described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? If "Yes," complete Schedule E

49a Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization?

b If "Yes," was the related organization a section 527 organization?

50 Complete this table for the organization's five highest compensated employees (other than officers, directors, trustees and key employees) who each received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization. If there is none, enter "None "

(a) Name and title of each employee	(b) Average hours per week devoted to position	(c) Reportable compensation (Forms W-2/1099-MISC)	(d) Health benefits, contributions to employee benefit plans, and deferred compensation	(e) Estimated amount of other compensation

f Total number of other employees paid over \$100,000

51 Complete this table for the organization's five highest compensated independent contractors who each received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization. If there is none, enter "None "

(a) Name and business address of each independent contractor	(b) Type of service	(c) Compensation

d Total number of other independent contractors each receiving over \$100,000.

52 Did the organization complete Schedule A? **NOTE.** All Section 501(c)(3) organizations must attach a completed Schedule A Yes No

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	2016-05-04 Date
	JAMES P MAYER TREASURER Type or print name and title	

Paid Preparer Use Only	Print/Type preparer's name DARLA A COLSON	Preparer's signature	Date	Check <input type="checkbox"/> if self-employed	PTIN P00027123
	Firm's name <input type="checkbox"/> GILBERT ASSOCIATES INC			Firm's EIN <input type="checkbox"/> 68-0037990	
	Firm's address <input type="checkbox"/> 2880 GATEWAY OAKS DR STE 100 SACRAMENTO, CA 95833			Phone no (916) 646-6464	

May the IRS discuss this return with the preparer shown above? See instructions Yes No

**TY 2014 Transfers Personal Benefits
Contracts Declaration**

Name: CALIFORNIA FORWARD ACTION FUND

EIN: 26-0566442

Declaration: THE ORGANIZATION DID NOT, DURING THE YEAR, RECEIVE ANY FUNDS, DIRECTLY,OR INDIRECTLY, TO PAY PREMIUMS ON A PERSONAL BENEFIT CONTRACT.THE ORGANIZATION, DID NOT, DURING THE YEAR, PAY ANY PREMIUMS, DIRECTLY,OR INDIRECTLY, ON A PERSONAL BENEFIT CONTRACT.

SCHEDULE O
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

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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 990-EZ or to provide any additional information.

▶ Attach to Form 990 or 990-EZ.

▶ Information about Schedule O (Form 990 or 990-EZ) and its instructions is at
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Name of the organization
CALIFORNIA FORWARD ACTION FUND

Employer identification number

26-0566442

990 Schedule O, Supplemental Information

Return Reference	Explanation
FORM 990-EZ, PART I, LINE 10 - GRANTS AND SIMILAR AMOUNTS PAID	
FORM 990-EZ, PART I, LINE 16 - OTHER EXPENSES	DESCRIPTION INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY AMOUNT 290 DESCRIPTION TAXES AND LICENSES AMOUNT 640 DESCRIPTION BANK CHARGES AMOUNT 1,616 DESCRIPTION OFFICE EXPENSES AMOUNT 180 DESCRIPTION TRAVEL AMOUNT 1,365 TOTAL TO FORM 990-EZ, LINE 16 4,091
FORM 990-EZ, PART II, LINE 24 - OTHER ASSETS	DESCRIPTION ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE BEG OF YEAR AMOUNT 35 END OF YEAR AMOUNT 0
FORM 990-EZ, PART II, LINE 26 - OTHER LIABILITIES	DESCRIPTION OTHER LIABILITIES BEG OF YEAR AMOUNT 5,759 END OF YEAR AMOUNT 4,243