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Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

OMB No. 1545-

0047 2020

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Form 990 Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service

A For the 2020 calendar year, or tax year beginning 01-01-2020, and ending 12-31-2020

- B Check if applicable: Address change, Name change, Initial return, Final return/terminated, Amended return, Application pending

C Name of organization: CENTER FOR AMERICAN PROGRESS ACTION FUND. Doing business as: 1333 H STREET NW 10TH FLOOR. City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code: WASHINGTON, DC 20005

D Employer identification number: 30-0192708. E Telephone number: (202) 682-1611. G Gross receipts \$ 27,270,734

F Name and address of principal officer: DEBORAH HOLSTON, 1333 H STREET NW 10TH FLOOR, WASHINGTON, DC 20005

H(a) Is this a group return for subordinates? No. H(b) Are all subordinates included? No. H(c) Group exemption number

I Tax-exempt status: 501(c)(3) [checked], 501(c)(4) (insert no.), 4947(a)(1), 527

J Website: WWW.AMERICANPROGRESSACTION.ORG

K Form of organization: Corporation [checked], Trust, Association, Other

L Year of formation: 2002. M State of legal domicile: DC

Part I Summary

Table with 4 main sections: 1. Briefly describe the organization's mission or most significant activities: TO SHAPE THE NATIONAL POLICY DEBATE AND TRANSFORM PROGRESSIVE CONCEPTS INTO POLICY. 2. Check this box if the organization discontinued its operations or disposed of more than 25% of its net assets. 3-7a: Activities & Governance summary table. 7b: Net unrelated business taxable income. 8-12: Revenue summary table. 13-19: Expenses summary table. 20-22: Net Assets or Fund Balances summary table.

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: DEBORAH HOLSTON VP OF FINANCE AND INTERIM CFO. Date: 2021-09-17

Paid Preparer Use Only: Print/Type preparer's name, Preparer's signature, Date 2021-09-15, Check if self-employed, PTIN P01365820, Firm's name MARCUM LLP, Firm's EIN 11-1986323, Firm's address 1899 L STREET NW SUITE 850 WASHINGTON, DC 20036, Phone no. (202) 227-4000

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

Part III Statement of Program Service Accomplishments

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part III



1 Briefly describe the organization's mission:

THE CENTER FOR AMERICAN PROGRESS ACTION FUND'S (THE ACTION FUND) MISSION IS TO IMPACT THE NATIONAL DEBATE AND TRANSFORM PROGRESSIVE IDEAS INTO POLICY THROUGH RAPID RESPONSE COMMUNICATIONS, PUBLIC EDUCATION, GRASSROOTS ORGANIZATION AND ADVOCACY IN PARTNERSHIP WITH AMERICAN CITIZENS, EXECUTIVE AND LEGISLATIVE BRANCH POLICYMAKERS AND PROGRESSIVE LEADERS THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY AND THE WORLD.

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 \$ 23,353,011 including grants of \$ 7,583,500 ) (Revenue \$ 8,782 )

COMMUNICATIONS: ADVANCED PROGRESSIVE IDEAS AND MESSAGES THROUGH ONLINE REPORTING INCLUDING THE THINK PROGRESS WEB SITE AND EXPANDED USE OF ONLINE SOCIAL MEDIA AS WELL AS TRADITIONAL NEWS MEDIA. ADDRESSED TIMELY PUBLIC POLICY AND POLITICAL ISSUES THROUGH RAPID RESPONSE AND ANALYSIS. MAJOR ACCOMPLISHMENTS INCLUDED PROJECTS ON CLIMATE CHANGE, ECONOMIC EQUALITY, VOTER SUPPRESSION, CRIMINAL JUSTICE REFORM, LGBTQ RIGHTS, AND IMMIGRATION REFORM.

4b (Code: ) (Expenses \$ 1,247,547 including grants of \$ ) (Revenue \$ )

EXTERNAL RELATIONS: PROJECTS WERE UNDERTAKEN TO EDUCATE THE PUBLIC, ANTICIPATE AND SHAPE THE NATIONAL DEBATE, AND CHALLENGE THE MEDIA TO COVER THE ISSUES THAT TRULY MATTER, THROUGH A WIDE ARRAY OF DISSEMINATION CHANNELS, INCLUDING FAITH COMMUNITIES, CAMPUS ORGANIZATIONS, PRINT, AND ONLINE MEDIA.

4c (Code: ) (Expenses \$ 863,636 including grants of \$ 630,443 ) (Revenue \$ )

DOMESTIC POLICY: DOMESTIC POLICY INITIATIVES HELP ADVANCE CLIMATE AND CLEAN ENERGY POLICIES IN KEY STATES AND ALSO ADVANCE BROAD SET OF IDEAS AROUND SUPPORTING FAMILIES BY STRENGTHENING GOVERNMENT SUPPORTS AND BROADENING EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES.

(Code: ) (Expenses \$ 498,884 including grants of \$ 189,853 ) (Revenue \$ )

ECONOMIC POLICY

(Code: ) (Expenses \$ 102,480 including grants of \$ ) (Revenue \$ )

EXECUTIVE OFFICE

(Code: ) (Expenses \$ 86,349 including grants of \$ ) (Revenue \$ )

GENERATION PROGRESS

(Code: ) (Expenses \$ 61,690 including grants of \$ ) (Revenue \$ )

ENERGY POLICY

(Code: ) (Expenses \$ 47,636 including grants of \$ ) (Revenue \$ )

ART AND EDITORIAL

(Code: ) (Expenses \$ 24,616 including grants of \$ 5,000 ) (Revenue \$ )

NATIONAL SECURITY AND INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMS

4d Other program services (Describe in Schedule O.) (Expenses \$ 821,655 including grants of \$ 194,853 ) (Revenue \$ )

4e Total program service expenses 26,285,849

Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules

Table with 3 columns: Question ID, Question Text, and Yes/No response columns. Rows include questions 1 through 21 regarding organizational requirements and reporting.

Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules (continued)

Table with 3 columns: Question ID, Question Text, and Yes/No columns. Rows include questions 22 through 38 regarding tax-exempt bond issues, excess benefit transactions, and other organizational activities.

Part V Statements Regarding Other IRS Filings and Tax Compliance

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part V [ ]

Table with 3 columns: Question ID, Question Text, and Yes/No columns. Rows include questions 1a, 1b, and 1c regarding Form 1096, Forms W-2G, and gaming winnings.

Part V Statements Regarding Other IRS Filings and Tax Compliance (continued)

Table with 16 main rows (2a-16) and sub-rows (a-f). Columns include question text, a grid for 'Yes/No' responses, and a grid for numerical values. Row 2a includes a value of 206. Row 16 includes a reference to Form 4720.

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 or note to any line in this Part VI

Section A. Governing Body and Management

Table with 3 columns: Question, Yes, No. Rows include: 1a Enter the number of voting members... 1b Enter the number of voting members... 2 Did any officer, director, trustee... 3 Did the organization delegate control... 4 Did the organization make any significant changes... 5 Did the organization become aware... 6 Did the organization have members... 7a Did the organization have members... 7b Are any governance decisions... 8 Did the organization contemporaneously document... 8a The governing body? 8b Each committee... 9 Is there any officer, director, trustee...

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

Table with 3 columns: Question, Yes, No. Rows include: 10a Did the organization have local chapters... 10b If "Yes," did the organization have written policies... 11a Has the organization provided a complete copy... 11b Describe in Schedule O the process... 12a Did the organization have a written conflict of interest policy... 12b Were officers, directors, or trustees... 12c Did the organization regularly and consistently monitor... 13 Did the organization have a written whistleblower policy... 14 Did the organization have a written document retention... 15 Did the process for determining compensation... 15a The organization's CEO... 15b Other officers or key employees... 16a Did the organization invest in, contribute assets to... 16b If "Yes," did the organization follow a written policy...

Section C. Disclosure

Table with 2 columns: Question, Answer. Rows include: 17 List the states with which a copy of this Form 990 is required to be filed. 18 Section 6104 requires an organization to make its Form 1023... 19 Describe in Schedule O whether (and if so, how) the organization made its governing documents... 20 State the name, address, and telephone number of the person who possesses the organization's books and records.

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

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line 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.

See instructions for the order in which to list the persons above.

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) NAVIN NAYAK EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR	40.00			X				236,885	0	37,007
(2) ALEX WALL VICE PRESIDENT	40.00					X		153,223	0	15,070
(3) WILLIAM RAGLAND SENIOR DIRECTOR	40.00					X		125,011	0	26,151
(4) JESSE LEE SENIOR ADVISOR	40.00					X		142,247	0	7,013
(5) BRENT WOOLFORK DIRECTOR	40.00					X		122,642	0	26,197
(6) LIA PARADA DIRECTOR, GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS	40.00					X		117,611	0	22,884
(7) SHANE BATEMAN SVP FINANCE AND ADMIN; CFO - UNTIL 12/2020	8.00			X				41,212	0	5,033
(8) NEERA TANDEN DIRECTOR, CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER	1.00	X		X				13,359	0	1,849
(9) ALEX DEMOTS SVP, GENERAL COUNSEL AND SECRETARY	2.00			X				5,565	0	984
(10) GORDON GRAY TREASURER	1.00			X				142	0	13
(11) SCOTT NATHAN DIRECTOR AND CHAIR	1.00	X		X				0	0	0
(12) WENDY ABRAMS DIRECTOR	1.00	X						0	0	0
(13) PHIL ANGELIDES DIRECTOR	1.00	X						0	0	0
(14) PETER EDELMAN DIRECTOR AND AUDIT COMMITTEE CHAIR	1.00	X						0	0	0
(15) JUDITH FEDER DIRECTOR	1.00	X						0	0	0
(16) CHRISTIE HEFNER DIRECTOR	1.00	X						0	0	0
(17) HAROLD ICKES DIRECTOR	1.00	X						0	0	0

**Part VII Section A. Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees** (continued)

(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			
(18) RON KLAIN DIRECTOR	1.00	X					0	0	0	
(19) ORIN KRAMER DIRECTOR	1.00	X					0	0	0	
(20) DAN PFEIFFER DIRECTOR	1.00	X					0	0	0	
(21) JOHN PODESTA DIRECTOR	5.00	X					0	0	0	
(22) ROBERT RAYMAR DIRECTOR	1.00	X					0	0	0	
(23) HILARY ROSEN DIRECTOR	1.00	X					0	0	0	
(24) GREG ROSENBAUM DIRECTOR	1.00	X					0	0	0	
<b>1b Sub-Total</b>										
<b>c Total from continuation sheets to Part VII, Section A</b>										
<b>d Total (add lines 1b and 1c)</b>							957,897	0	142,201	

**2** Total number of individuals (including but not limited to those listed above) who received more than \$100,000 of reportable compensation from the organization **▶ 6**

	Yes	No
<b>3</b> Did the organization list any <b>former</b> officer, director or trustee, key employee, or highest compensated employee on line 1a? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual</i>		No
<b>4</b> For any individual listed on line 1a, is the sum of reportable compensation and other compensation from the organization and related organizations greater than \$150,000? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual</i>	Yes	
<b>5</b> Did any person listed on line 1a receive or accrue compensation from any unrelated organization or individual for services rendered to the organization? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such person</i>		No

**Section B. Independent Contractors**

**1** Complete this table for your five highest compensated independent contractors that received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization. Report compensation for the calendar year ending with or within the organization's tax year.

(A) Name and business address	(B) Description of services	(C) Compensation
JENNER AND BLOCK LLP 353 N CLARK STREET CHICAGO, IL 60654	LEGAL SERVICES	1,351,891
GROUP NINE MEDIA 556 BOADWAY FLOOR 10 NEW YORK, NY 10012	MEDIA SERVICES	642,476
HART RESEARCH ASSOCIATES 1724 CONNECTICUT AVENUE NW WASHINGTON, DC 20009	OPINION RESEARCH	349,234
INCITE STUDIOS 272 1ST AVENUE SUITE 2C NEW YORK, NY 10009	VIDEO EDITING	317,000
GLOBAL STRATEGY GROUP 215 PARK AVENUE SOUTH 15TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10003	PUBLIC OPINION SURVEYS	303,500

**2** Total number of independent contractors (including but not limited to those listed above) who received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization **▶ 13**

**Part VIII Statement of Revenue**

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line 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 - 514	
<b>Contributions, Gifts, Grants and Other Similar Amounts</b>	<b>1a</b> Federated campaigns . . .	<b>1a</b>					
	<b>b</b> Membership dues . . .	<b>1b</b>					
	<b>c</b> Fundraising events . . .	<b>1c</b>					
	<b>d</b> Related organizations	<b>1d</b>					
	<b>e</b> Government grants (contributions)	<b>1e</b>					
	<b>f</b> All other contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts not included above	<b>1f</b>	27,225,741				
	<b>g</b> Noncash contributions included in lines 1a - 1f:\$	<b>1g</b>					
<b>h Total.</b> Add lines 1a-1f . . . . .			27,225,741				
<b>Program Service Revenue</b>	<b>2a</b> PROGRAM SERVICE INCOME	Business Code					
		900099	6,146	6,146			
	<b>b</b> VIDEO LICENSING INCOME	900099	2,636	2,636			
	<b>c</b>						
	<b>d</b>						
	<b>e</b>						
	<b>f</b> All other program service revenue.						
<b>g Total.</b> Add lines 2a-2f. . . . .			8,782				
<b>Other Revenue</b>	<b>3</b> Investment income (including dividends, interest, and other similar amounts)		6,861			6,861	
	<b>4</b> Income from investment of tax-exempt bond proceeds						
	<b>5</b> Royalties . . . . .						
	<b>6a</b> Gross rents	(i) Real	(ii) Personal				
		<b>6a</b>					
		<b>6b</b> Less: rental expenses					
	<b>c</b> Rental income or (loss)						
	<b>d</b> Net rental income or (loss) . . . . .						
	<b>7a</b> Gross amount from sales of assets other than inventory	(i) Securities	(ii) Other				
		<b>7a</b>					
		<b>7b</b> Less: cost or other basis and sales expenses					
	<b>c</b> Gain or (loss)						
	<b>d</b> Net gain or (loss) . . . . .						
	<b>8a</b> Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ _____ of contributions reported on line 1c). See Part IV, line 18 . . . . .						
		<b>8a</b>					
<b>8b</b> Less: direct expenses							
<b>c</b> Net income or (loss) from fundraising events . . . . .							
<b>9a</b> Gross income from gaming activities. See Part IV, line 19 . . . . .							
	<b>9a</b>						
	<b>9b</b> Less: direct expenses						
<b>c</b> Net income or (loss) from gaming activities . . . . .							
<b>10a</b> Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances . . . . .							
	<b>10a</b>						
	<b>10b</b> Less: cost of goods sold						
<b>c</b> Net income or (loss) from sales of inventory . . . . .							
Miscellaneous Revenue	Business Code						
<b>11a</b> ADVERTISING	541800	29,350		29,350			
<b>b</b>							
<b>c</b>							
<b>d</b> All other revenue . . . . .							
<b>e Total.</b> Add lines 11a-11d . . . . .			29,350				
<b>12 Total revenue.</b> See instructions . . . . .			27,270,734	8,782	29,350	6,861	

**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 or note to any line in this Part IX

<b>Do not include amounts reported on lines 6b, 7b, 8b, 9b, and 10b of Part VIII.</b>	<b>(A)</b> Total expenses	<b>(B)</b> Program service expenses	<b>(C)</b> Management and general expenses	<b>(D)</b> Fundraising expenses
<b>1</b> Grants and other assistance to domestic organizations and domestic governments. See Part IV, line 21	8,408,796	8,408,796		
<b>2</b> Grants and other assistance to domestic individuals. See Part IV, line 22				
<b>3</b> Grants and other assistance to foreign organizations, foreign governments, and foreign individuals. See Part IV, lines 15 and 16.				
<b>4</b> Benefits paid to or for members				
<b>5</b> Compensation of current officers, directors, trustees, and key employees	342,049	289,253	52,796	
<b>6</b> Compensation not included above, to disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)) and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B)				
<b>7</b> Other salaries and wages	5,533,360	4,897,009	605,586	30,765
<b>8</b> Pension plan accruals and contributions (include section 401(k) and 403(b) employer contributions)	264,302	236,281	26,489	1,532
<b>9</b> Other employee benefits	320,521	284,453	34,228	1,840
<b>10</b> Payroll taxes	463,252	411,679	49,093	2,480
<b>11</b> Fees for services (non-employees):				
<b>a</b> Management				
<b>b</b> Legal	36,523	34,301	2,121	101
<b>c</b> Accounting	26,923	23,775	3,005	143
<b>d</b> Lobbying				
<b>e</b> Professional fundraising services. See Part IV, line 17				
<b>f</b> Investment management fees				
<b>g</b> Other (If line 11g amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A) amount, list line 11g expenses on Schedule O)	4,230,081	4,208,354	8,493	13,234
<b>12</b> Advertising and promotion	4,925,247	4,920,272	4,126	849
<b>13</b> Office expenses	238,153	222,389	13,348	2,416
<b>14</b> Information technology	323,921	302,220	20,714	987
<b>15</b> Royalties				
<b>16</b> Occupancy	641,959	567,706	70,875	3,378
<b>17</b> Travel	46,571	46,159	13	399
<b>18</b> Payments of travel or entertainment expenses for any federal, state, or local public officials				
<b>19</b> Conferences, conventions, and meetings	8,967	8,893	71	3
<b>20</b> Interest				
<b>21</b> Payments to affiliates				
<b>22</b> Depreciation, depletion, and amortization	92,882	82,193	10,203	486
<b>23</b> Insurance	20,349	18,996	1,239	114
<b>24</b> 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.)				
<b>a</b> PUBLIC OPINION ANALYSIS	1,005,200	1,005,200		
<b>b</b> MISCELLANEOUS	171,427	150,247	20,026	1,154
<b>c</b> SUBSCRIPTIONS	160,371	159,644	694	33
<b>d</b> UBI TAX	9,092	8,029	1,015	48
<b>e</b> All other expenses				
<b>25</b> Total functional expenses. Add lines 1 through 24e	27,269,946	26,285,849	924,135	59,962
<b>26</b> 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 or note to any line in this Part IX

		(A) Beginning of year		(B) End of year
<b>Assets</b>	<b>1</b> Cash-non-interest-bearing . . . . .	1,324,508	<b>1</b>	3,480,057
	<b>2</b> Savings and temporary cash investments	2,337,902	<b>2</b>	2,344,464
	<b>3</b> Pledges and grants receivable, net . . . . .	617,332	<b>3</b>	144,876
	<b>4</b> Accounts receivable, net . . . . .	30,181	<b>4</b>	12,526
	<b>5</b> Loans and other payables to any current or former officer, director, trustee, key employee, creator or founder, substantial contributor, or 35% controlled entity or family member of any of these persons		<b>5</b>	
	<b>6</b> Loans and other receivables from other disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)), and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B)		<b>6</b>	
	<b>7</b> Notes and loans receivable, net . . . . .		<b>7</b>	
	<b>8</b> Inventories for sale or use . . . . .		<b>8</b>	
	<b>9</b> Prepaid expenses and deferred charges . . . . .	0	<b>9</b>	141,168
	<b>10a</b> Land, buildings, and equipment: cost or other basis. Complete Part VI of Schedule D	<b>10a</b> 249,254		
	<b>b</b> Less: accumulated depreciation	<b>10b</b> 243,713	2,899	<b>10c</b> 5,541
	<b>11</b> Investments—publicly traded securities . . . . .		<b>11</b>	
	<b>12</b> Investments—other securities. See Part IV, line 11 . . . . .		<b>12</b>	
	<b>13</b> Investments—program-related. See Part IV, line 11 . . . . .		<b>13</b>	
	<b>14</b> Intangible assets . . . . .		<b>14</b>	
	<b>15</b> Other assets. See Part IV, line 11	1,939,184	<b>15</b>	514,470
<b>16 Total assets:</b> Add lines 1 through 15 (must equal line 33) . . . . .	6,252,006	<b>16</b>	6,643,102	
<b>Liabilities</b>	<b>17</b> Accounts payable and accrued expenses . . . . .	156,522	<b>17</b>	147,618
	<b>18</b> Grants payable . . . . .	0	<b>18</b>	400,000
	<b>19</b> Deferred revenue . . . . .		<b>19</b>	
	<b>20</b> Tax-exempt bond liabilities . . . . .		<b>20</b>	
	<b>21</b> Escrow or custodial account liability. Complete Part IV of Schedule D		<b>21</b>	
	<b>22</b> Loans and other payables to any current or former officer, director, trustee, key employee, creator or founder, substantial contributor, or 35% controlled entity or family member of any of these persons		<b>22</b>	
	<b>23</b> Secured mortgages and notes payable to unrelated third parties . . . . .		<b>23</b>	
	<b>24</b> Unsecured notes and loans payable to unrelated third parties . . . . .		<b>24</b>	
	<b>25</b> 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		<b>25</b>	
	<b>26 Total liabilities.</b> Add lines 17 through 25 . . . . .	156,522	<b>26</b>	547,618
<b>Net Assets or Fund Balances</b>	<b>Organizations that follow FASB ASC 958, check here <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 27, 28, 32, and 33.</b>			
	<b>27</b> Net assets without donor restrictions . . . . .	973,484	<b>27</b>	1,648,975
	<b>28</b> Net assets with donor restrictions	5,122,000	<b>28</b>	4,446,509
	<b>Organizations that do not follow FASB ASC 958, check here <input type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 29 through 33.</b>			
	<b>29</b> Capital stock or trust principal, or current funds . . . . .		<b>29</b>	
	<b>30</b> Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, building or equipment fund . . . . .		<b>30</b>	
	<b>31</b> Retained earnings, endowment, accumulated income, or other funds		<b>31</b>	
	<b>32</b> Total net assets or fund balances	6,095,484	<b>32</b>	6,095,484
<b>33</b> Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances	6,252,006	<b>33</b>	6,643,102	

**Part XI Reconciliation of Net Assets**

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part XI

<b>1</b>	Total revenue (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	<b>1</b>	27,270,734
<b>2</b>	Total expenses (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	<b>2</b>	27,269,946
<b>3</b>	Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 2 from line 1	<b>3</b>	788
<b>4</b>	Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (must equal Part X, line 32, column (A))	<b>4</b>	6,095,484
<b>5</b>	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	<b>5</b>	
<b>6</b>	Donated services and use of facilities	<b>6</b>	
<b>7</b>	Investment expenses	<b>7</b>	
<b>8</b>	Prior period adjustments	<b>8</b>	
<b>9</b>	Other changes in net assets or fund balances (explain in Schedule O)	<b>9</b>	-788
<b>10</b>	Net assets or fund balances at end of year. Combine lines 3 through 9 (must equal Part X, line 32, column (A))	<b>10</b>	6,095,484

**Part XII Financial Statements and Reporting**

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part XII

		Yes	No
<b>1</b>	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.		
<b>2a</b>	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
<b>b</b>	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	
<b>c</b>	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	
<b>3a</b>	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
<b>b</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.		

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**Schedule B**

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**Schedule of Contributors**

▶ Attach to Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF.  
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Organization type (check one):

**Filers of:**

**Section:**

Form 990 or 990-EZ

- 501(c)( ) (enter number) organization
- 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust **not** treated as a private foundation
- 527 political organization

Form 990-PF

- 501(c)(3) exempt private foundation
- 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust treated as a private foundation
- 501(c)(3) taxable private foundation

Check if your organization is covered by the **General Rule** or a **Special Rule**.

**Note:** Only a section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) organization can check boxes for both the General Rule and a Special Rule. See instructions.

**General Rule**

- For an organization filing Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF that received, during the year, contributions totaling \$5,000 or more (in money or other property) from any one contributor. Complete Parts I and II. See instructions for determining a contributor's total contributions.

**Special Rules**

- For an organization described in section 501(c)(3) filing Form 990 or 990-EZ that met the 33<sup>1</sup>/<sub>3</sub>% support test of the regulations under sections 509(a)(1) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi), that checked Schedule A (Form 990 or 990-EZ), Part II, line 13, 16a, or 16b, and that received from any one contributor, during the year, total contributions of the greater of (1) \$5,000 or (2) 2% of the amount on (i) Form 990, Part VIII, line 1h, or (ii) Form 990-EZ, line 1. Complete Parts I and II.
- For an organization described in section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) filing Form 990 or 990-EZ that received from any one contributor, during the year, total contributions of more than \$1,000 *exclusively* for religious, charitable, scientific, literary, or educational purposes, or for the prevention of cruelty to children or animals. Complete Parts I, II, and III.
- For an organization described in section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) filing Form 990 or 990-EZ that received from any one contributor, during the year, contributions *exclusively* for religious, charitable, etc., purposes, but no such contributions totaled more than \$1,000. If this box is checked, enter here the total contributions that were received during the year for an *exclusively* religious, charitable, etc., purpose. Don't complete any of the parts unless the **General Rule** applies to this organization because it received *nonexclusively* religious, charitable, etc., contributions totaling \$5,000 or more during the year . . . . . ▶ \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Caution:** An organization that isn't covered by the General Rule and/or the Special Rules doesn't file Schedule B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF), but it **must** answer "No" on Part IV, line 2, of its Form 990; or check the box on line H of its Form 990-EZ or on its Form 990PF, Part I, line 2, to certify that it doesn't meet the filing requirements of Schedule B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF).

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**Part I**  
**Contributors** (see instructions). Use duplicate copies of Part I if additional space is needed.

(a) No.	(b) Name, address, and ZIP + 4	(c) Total contributions	(d) Type of contribution
RESTRICTED		\$ RESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> Person <input type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
-		\$	<input type="checkbox"/> Person <input type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
-		\$	<input type="checkbox"/> Person <input type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
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-		\$	<input type="checkbox"/> Person <input type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)

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**Part II Noncash Property** (see instructions). Use duplicate copies of Part II if additional space is needed.

(a) No. from Part I	(b) Description of noncash property given	(c) FMV (or estimate) (See instructions)	(d) Date received
-	_____ _____ _____	_____ \$	_____
-	_____ _____ _____	_____ \$	_____
-	_____ _____ _____	_____ \$	_____
-	_____ _____ _____	_____ \$	_____
-	_____ _____ _____	_____ \$	_____
-	_____ _____ _____	_____ \$	_____
-	_____ _____ _____	_____ \$	_____
-	_____ _____ _____	_____ \$	_____
-	_____ _____ _____	_____ \$	_____
-	_____ _____ _____	_____ \$	_____

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**Part III** Exclusively religious, charitable, etc., contributions to organizations described in section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) that total more than \$1,000 for the year from any one contributor. Complete columns (a) through (e) and the following line entry. For organizations completing Part III, enter the total of exclusively religious, charitable, etc., contributions of \$1,000 or less for the year. (Enter this information once. See instructions.) ▶ \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Use duplicate copies of Part III if additional space is needed.

(a) No. from Part I	(b) Purpose of gift	(c) Use of gift	(d) Description of how gift is held
	_____	_____	_____
	_____	_____	_____
(e) Transfer of gift			
Transferee's name, address, and ZIP 4		Relationship of transferor to transferee	
_____		_____	
_____		_____	
(a) No. from Part I	(b) Purpose of gift	(c) Use of gift	(d) Description of how gift is held
	_____	_____	_____
	_____	_____	_____
(e) Transfer of gift			
Transferee's name, address, and ZIP 4		Relationship of transferor to transferee	
_____		_____	
_____		_____	
(a) No. from Part I	(b) Purpose of gift	(c) Use of gift	(d) Description of how gift is held
	_____	_____	_____
	_____	_____	_____
(e) Transfer of gift			
Transferee's name, address, and ZIP 4		Relationship of transferor to transferee	
_____		_____	
_____		_____	
(a) No. from Part I	(b) Purpose of gift	(c) Use of gift	(d) Description of how gift is held
	_____	_____	_____
	_____	_____	_____
(e) Transfer of gift			
Transferee's name, address, and ZIP 4		Relationship of transferor to transferee	
_____		_____	
_____		_____	

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**Political Campaign and Lobbying Activities**

**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.**  
▶ **Go to [www.irs.gov/Form990](http://www.irs.gov/Form990) for instructions and the latest information.**

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

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

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

<b>1</b>	Provide a description of the organization's direct and indirect political campaign activities in Part IV (see instructions for definition of "political campaign activities")		
<b>2</b>	Political campaign activity expenditures (see instructions) .....	▶	\$ <u>9,500,644</u>
<b>3</b>	Volunteer hours for political campaign activities (see instructions) .....		

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

<b>1</b>	Enter the amount of any excise tax incurred by the organization under section 4955 .....		\$ _____
<b>2</b>	Enter the amount of any excise tax incurred by organization managers under section 4955 .....		\$ _____
<b>3</b>	If the organization incurred a section 4955 tax, did it file Form 4720 for this year? .....		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
<b>4a</b>	Was a correction made? .....		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
<b>b</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).**

<b>1</b>	Enter the amount directly expended by the filing organization for section 527 exempt function activities .....		\$ <u>9,500,644</u>
<b>2</b>	Enter the amount of the filing organization's funds contributed to other organizations for section 527 exempt function activities .....	▶	\$ _____
<b>3</b>	Total exempt function expenditures. Add lines 1 and 2. Enter here and on Form 1120-POL, line 17b.....		\$ <u>9,500,644</u>
<b>4</b>	Did the filing organization file <b>Form 1120-POL</b> for this year? .....		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
<b>5</b>	Enter the names, addresses and employer identification number (EIN) of all section 527 political organizations to which the filing organization made payments. For each organization listed, enter the amount paid from the filing organization's funds. Also enter the amount of political contributions received that were promptly and directly delivered to a separate political organization, such as a separate segregated fund or a political action committee (PAC). If additional space is needed, provide information in Part IV.		

(a) Name	(b) Address	(c) EIN	(d) Amount paid from filing organization's funds. If none, enter -0-.	(e) Amount of political contributions received and promptly and directly delivered to a separate political organization. If none, enter -0-.
<b>1</b>				
<b>2</b>				
<b>3</b>				
<b>4</b>				
<b>5</b>				
<b>6</b>				

**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.

<b>Limits on Lobbying Expenditures</b> <b>(The term "expenditures" means amounts paid or incurred.)</b>	<b>(a) Filing organization's totals</b>	<b>(b) Affiliated group totals</b>												
<b>1a</b> Total lobbying expenditures to influence public opinion (grass roots lobbying) .....														
<b>b</b> Total lobbying expenditures to influence a legislative body (direct lobbying) .....														
<b>c</b> Total lobbying expenditures (add lines 1a and 1b) .....														
<b>d</b> Other exempt purpose expenditures .....														
<b>e</b> Total exempt purpose expenditures (add lines 1c and 1d) .....														
<b>f</b> 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%; text-align: left;">If the amount on line 1e, column (a) or (b) is:</th> <th style="width:65%; text-align: left;">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.													
<b>g</b> Grassroots nontaxable amount (enter 25% of line 1f) .....														
<b>h</b> Subtract line 1g from line 1a. If zero or less, enter -0- .....														
<b>i</b> Subtract line 1f from line 1c. If zero or less, enter -0- .....														
<b>j</b> 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 separate instructions for lines 2a through 2f.)**

<b>Lobbying Expenditures During 4-Year Averaging Period</b>					
Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in)	(a) 2017	(b) 2018	(c) 2019	(d) 2020	(e) Total
<b>2a</b> Lobbying nontaxable amount					
<b>b</b> Lobbying ceiling amount (150% of line 2a, column(e))					
<b>c</b> Total lobbying expenditures					
<b>d</b> Grassroots nontaxable amount					
<b>e</b> Grassroots ceiling amount (150% of line 2d, column (e))					
<b>f</b> 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 on lines 1a through 1i below, provide in Part IV a detailed description of the lobbying activity.

	(a)		(b)
	Yes	No	Amount
<b>1</b> 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:			
<b>a</b> Volunteers? .....			
<b>b</b> Paid staff or management (include compensation in expenses reported on lines 1c through 1i)? .....			
<b>c</b> Media advertisements? .....			
<b>d</b> Mailings to members, legislators, or the public? .....			
<b>e</b> Publications, or published or broadcast statements? .....			
<b>f</b> Grants to other organizations for lobbying purposes? .....			
<b>g</b> Direct contact with legislators, their staffs, government officials, or a legislative body? .....			
<b>h</b> Rallies, demonstrations, seminars, conventions, speeches, lectures, or any similar means? .....			
<b>i</b> Other activities? .....			
<b>j</b> Total. Add lines 1c through 1i .....			
<b>2a</b> Did the activities in line 1 cause the organization to be not described in section 501(c)(3)? .....			
<b>b</b> If "Yes," enter the amount of any tax incurred under section 4912 .....			
<b>c</b> If "Yes," enter the amount of any tax incurred by organization managers under section 4912 .....			
<b>d</b> 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
<b>1</b> Were substantially all (90% or more) dues received nondeductible by members? .....	<b>1</b>	
<b>2</b> Did the organization make only in-house lobbying expenditures of \$2,000 or less? .....	<b>2</b>	
<b>3</b> Did the organization agree to carry over lobbying and political expenditures from the prior year? .....	<b>3</b>	

**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."**

<b>1</b> Dues, assessments and similar amounts from members .....	<b>1</b>	
<b>2</b> Section 162(e) nondeductible lobbying and political expenditures ( <b>do not include amounts of political expenses for which the section 527(f) tax was paid</b> ).		
<b>a</b> Current year .....	<b>2a</b>	
<b>b</b> Carryover from last year .....	<b>2b</b>	
<b>c</b> Total .....	<b>2c</b>	
<b>3</b> Aggregate amount reported in section 6033(e)(1)(A) notices of nondeductible section 162(e) dues .	<b>3</b>	
<b>4</b> 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? .....	<b>4</b>	
<b>5</b> Taxable amount of lobbying and political expenditures (see instructions) .....	<b>5</b>	

**Part IV Supplemental Information**

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, lines 1 and 2 (see instructions), and Part II-B, line 1. Also, complete this part for any additional information.

Return Reference	Explanation
PART I-A, LINE 1:	THE ACTION FUND DOES NOT ENDORSE CANDIDATES FOR PUBLIC OFFICE; MAKE CONTRIBUTIONS TO CANDIDATES, PARTIES, OR POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEES; OR EXPLICITLY ADVOCATE FOR ELECTION OR DEFEAT OF PARTICULAR CANDIDATES. HOWEVER, AT VARIOUS TIMES DURING THE TAX YEAR, THE ACTION FUND MAY MAKE COMMUNICATIONS TO THE GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENDING OR CRITICIZING PARTICULAR PUBLIC POLICY POSITIONS TAKEN BY VARIOUS CANDIDATES. THESE POLICY ASSESSMENTS MAY TAKE THE FORM OF POSITION PAPERS, PRESS RELEASES, SOCIAL MEDIA POSTS, AND OTHER SIMILAR PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS TO THE PUBLIC.

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

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Part I Organizations Maintaining Donor Advised Funds or Other Similar Funds or Accounts.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on 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 value of contributions, grants, and end of year, and two yes/no questions about donor/donor advisor notification.

Part II Conservation Easements.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 7.

Table with 2 columns: Description, Held at the End of the Year. Rows include purpose(s) of conservation easements, total number, acreage, and number of easements on historic structures, and questions about monitoring and reporting.

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

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

Table with 2 columns: Description, Amount. Rows include questions about reporting art, historical treasures, or other similar assets held for public exhibition, education, or research.

**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" on 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    |
|--|-----------|
| <b>c</b> Beginning balance . . . . .             | <b>1c</b> |
| <b>d</b> Additions during the year . . . . .     | <b>1d</b> |
| <b>e</b> Distributions during the year . . . . . | <b>1e</b> |
| <b>f</b> Ending balance . . . . .                | <b>1f</b> |
- 2a** Did the organization include an amount on Form 990, Part X, line 21, for escrow or custodial account liability?  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" on Form 990, Part IV, line 10.

	(a) Current year	(b) Prior year	(c) Two years back	(d) Three years back	(e) Four years back
<b>1a</b> Beginning of year balance . . . . .					
<b>b</b> Contributions . . . . .					
<b>c</b> Net investment earnings, gains, and losses					
<b>d</b> Grants or scholarships . . . . .					
<b>e</b> Other expenditures for facilities and programs . . . . .					
<b>f</b> Administrative expenses . . . . .					
<b>g</b> 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** Term endowment ▶ .....
- The percentages on 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:

- (i)** Unrelated organizations . . . . .
- (ii)** Related organizations . . . . .

	Yes	No
<b>3a(i)</b>		
<b>3a(ii)</b>		
<b>3b</b>		

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

**4** Describe in Part XIII the intended uses of the organization's endowment funds.

**Part VI Land, Buildings, and Equipment.**

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 11a. 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
<b>1a</b> Land . . . . .				
<b>b</b> Buildings . . . . .				
<b>c</b> Leasehold improvements				
<b>d</b> Equipment . . . . .		57,763	52,222	5,541
<b>e</b> Other . . . . .		191,491	191,491	0
<b>Total.</b> Add lines 1a through 1e. (Column (d) must equal Form 990, Part X, column (B), line 10(c).) . . . ▶				5,541

**Part VII Investments—Other Securities.**

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 11b. 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
(1) Financial derivatives . . . . .		
(2) Closely-held equity interests . . . . .		
(3) Other _____		
(B)		
(C)		
(D)		
(E)		
(F)		
(G)		
(H)		
(I)		
<b>Total.</b> (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col. (B) line 12.)		

**Part VIII Investments—Program Related.**

Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' on Form 990, Part IV, line 11c. See Form 990, Part X, line 13.

(a) Description of investment	(b) Book value	(c) Method of valuation: Cost or end-of-year market value
(2)		
(3)		
(4)		
(5)		
(6)		
(7)		
(8)		
(9)		
(10)		
<b>Total.</b> (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col.(B) line 13.)		

**Part IX Other Assets.**

Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' on Form 990, Part IV, line 11d. See Form 990, Part X, line 15.

(a) Description	(b) Book value
(1) DUE FROM THE CENTER FOR AMERICAN PROGRESS	514,470
(2)	
(3)	
(4)	
(5)	
(6)	
(7)	
(8)	
(9)	
(10)	
<b>Total.</b> (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col.(B) line 15.)	514,470

**Part X Other Liabilities.**

Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' on Form 990, Part IV, line 11e or 11f. See Form 990, Part X, line 25.

1. (a) Description of liability	(b) Book value
(1) Federal income taxes	
(2)	

1.	(a) Description of liability	(b) Book value
(3)		
(4)		
(5)		
(6)		
(7)		
(8)		
(9)		

**Total.** (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col.(B) line 25.) ▶

**2.** Liability for uncertain tax positions. In Part XIII, 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 (ASC 740). Check here if the text of the footnote has been provided in Part XIII

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

Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' on Form 990, Part IV, line 12a.

<b>1</b>	Total revenue, gains, and other support per audited financial statements . . . . .		<b>1</b>	27,270,734
<b>2</b>	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12:			
<b>a</b>	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments . . . . .	<b>2a</b>		
<b>b</b>	Donated services and use of facilities . . . . .	<b>2b</b>		
<b>c</b>	Recoveries of prior year grants . . . . .	<b>2c</b>		
<b>d</b>	Other (Describe in Part XIII.) . . . . .	<b>2d</b>		
<b>e</b>	Add lines <b>2a</b> through <b>2d</b> . . . . .		<b>2e</b>	0
<b>3</b>	Subtract line <b>2e</b> from line <b>1</b> . . . . .		<b>3</b>	27,270,734
<b>4</b>	Amounts included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, but not on line 1:			
<b>a</b>	Investment expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b . . . . .	<b>4a</b>		
<b>b</b>	Other (Describe in Part XIII.) . . . . .	<b>4b</b>		
<b>c</b>	Add lines <b>4a</b> and <b>4b</b> . . . . .		<b>4c</b>	0
<b>5</b>	Total revenue. Add lines <b>3</b> and <b>4c</b> . (This must equal Form 990, Part I, line 12.) . . . . .		<b>5</b>	27,270,734

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

Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' on Form 990, Part IV, line 12a.

<b>1</b>	Total expenses and losses per audited financial statements . . . . .		<b>1</b>	27,269,946
<b>2</b>	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part IX, line 25:			
<b>a</b>	Donated services and use of facilities . . . . .	<b>2a</b>		
<b>b</b>	Prior year adjustments . . . . .	<b>2b</b>		
<b>c</b>	Other losses . . . . .	<b>2c</b>		
<b>d</b>	Other (Describe in Part XIII.) . . . . .	<b>2d</b>		
<b>e</b>	Add lines <b>2a</b> through <b>2d</b> . . . . .		<b>2e</b>	0
<b>3</b>	Subtract line <b>2e</b> from line <b>1</b> . . . . .		<b>3</b>	27,269,946
<b>4</b>	Amounts included on Form 990, Part IX, line 25, but not on line 1:			
<b>a</b>	Investment expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b . . . . .	<b>4a</b>		
<b>b</b>	Other (Describe in Part XIII.) . . . . .	<b>4b</b>		
<b>c</b>	Add lines <b>4a</b> and <b>4b</b> . . . . .		<b>4c</b>	0
<b>5</b>	Total expenses. Add lines <b>3</b> and <b>4c</b> . (This must equal Form 990, Part I, line 18.) . . . . .		<b>5</b>	27,269,946

**Part XIII Supplemental Information**

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.

Return Reference	Explanation
PART X, LINE 2:	THE ACTION FUND EVALUATED ITS UNCERTAINTY IN INCOME TAXES FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2020 AND 2019, AND DETERMINED THAT THERE WERE NO MATTERS THAT WOULD REQUIRE RECOGNITION IN THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS OR THAT MAY HAVE ANY EFFECT ON ITS TAX-EXEMPT STATUS.

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**Schedule I  
(Form 990)**

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**Grants and Other Assistance to Organizations,  
Governments and Individuals in the United States**

Complete if the organization answered "Yes," on Form 990, Part IV, line 21 or 22.  
▶ Attach to Form 990.  
▶ Go to [www.irs.gov/Form990](http://www.irs.gov/Form990) for the latest information.

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**Employer identification number**  
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**Part I General Information on Grants and Assistance**

- 1** Does the organization maintain records to substantiate the amount of the grants or assistance, the grantees' eligibility for the grants or assistance, and the selection criteria used to award the grants or assistance?  Yes  No
- 2** Describe in Part IV the organization's procedures for monitoring the use of grant funds in the United States.

**Part II Grants and Other Assistance to Domestic Organizations and Domestic Governments.** Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 21, for any recipient that received more than \$5,000. Part II can be duplicated if additional space is needed.

(a) Name and address of organization or government	(b) EIN	(c) IRC section (if applicable)	(d) Amount of cash grant	(e) Amount of non-cash assistance	(f) Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other)	(g) Description of noncash assistance	(h) Purpose of grant or assistance
(1) LEAGUE OF CONSERVATION VOTERS 920 L STREET NW SUITE 800 WASHINGTON, DC 20036	52-1733698	501(C)(4)	4,500,000				EDUCATIONAL
(2) CENTER FOR AMERICAN PROGRESS 1333 H STREET NW 10TH FLOOR WASHINGTON, DC 20005	30-0126510	501(C)(3)	1,500,295				EDUCATIONAL
(3) NEXTGEN AMERICA 111 SUTTER STREET SUITE 2220 SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94104	46-2525580	501(C)(3)	1,250,000				EDUCATIONAL
(4) PARTNERSHIP PROJECT ACTION FUND PO BOX 65826 WASHINGTON, DC 20035	81-0606786	501(C)(4)	500,000				EDUCATIONAL
(5) FIRST FIVE ACTION FUND 1010 VERMONT AVENUE NW SUITE 100 WASHINGTON, DC 20005	85-1075023	501(C)(4)	400,000				EDUCATIONAL
(6) NORTH FUND 1101 CONNECTICUT AVE NW 450 WASHINGTON, DC 20036	83-4011547	501(C)(3)	250,000				EDUCATIONAL
(7) MOVEONORG CIVIC ACTION PO BOX 96141 WASHINGTON, DC 20090	06-1553389	501(C)(4)	8,500				EDUCATIONAL

- 2** Enter total number of section 501(c)(3) and government organizations listed in the line 1 table 3
- 3** Enter total number of other organizations listed in the line 1 table 4

**Part III Grants and Other Assistance to Domestic Individuals.** Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 22.

Part III can be duplicated if additional space is needed.

(a) Type of grant or assistance	(b) Number of recipients	(c) Amount of cash grant	(d) Amount of noncash assistance	(e) Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other)	(f) Description of noncash assistance
(1)					
(2)					
(3)					
(4)					
(5)					
(6)					
(7)					

**Part IV Supplemental Information.** Provide the information required in Part I, line 2; Part III, column (b); and any other additional information.

Return Reference	Explanation
PART I, LINE 2:	THE ACTION FUND REQUIRES GRANTEE ORGANIZATIONS TO REPRESENT, WARRANT AND AGREE: THAT IT WILL USE GRANT FUNDS SOLELY FOR PURPOSES CONSISTENT WITH THE ACTION FUND'S TAX-EXEMPT STATUS UNDER SECTION 501(C)(4) OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE; THAT NO PORTION OF GRANT FUNDS WILL BE USED DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY TO EXPRESSLY OR IMPLICITLY SUPPORT OR OPPOSE ANY CANDIDATE SEEKING ELECTION TO PUBLIC OFFICE, OR PROVIDE A BENEFIT TO ANY POLITICAL PARTY OR CANDIDATE; THAT IT WILL ALLOW THE ACTION FUND'S STAFF OR REPRESENTATIVES TO CONDUCT EVALUATIONS AND AUDITS OF THE USE OF GRANT FUNDS, WHICH MAY INVOLVE VISITS TO OBSERVE, REVIEW AND DISCUSS ITS OPERATIONS, FINANCIAL RECORDS, AND OTHER MATERIALS CONNECTED WITH THE GRANTEE; AND THAT IT WILL SEND THE ACTION FUND FINAL FINANCIAL AND NARRATIVE REPORTS BY A DATE SPECIFIED IN THE ORIGINAL AWARD LETTER. THE ACTION FUND REQUIRES DONEE ORGANIZATIONS TO PROVIDE NARRATIVE AND FINANCIAL REPORTS THAT: ARE SIGNED BY AN OFFICER OF THE ORGANIZATION; DESCRIBE HOW THE FUNDS WERE SPENT AND WHAT WAS ACCOMPLISHED; AND TO PROVIDE A REASONABLY DETAILED ACCOUNT OF THE ACTIVITIES CONDUCTED BY THE GRANTEE IN PERFORMANCE OF THE AGREED UPON WORK.

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**Schedule J**  
**(Form 990)**

**Compensation Information**

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**For certain Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees**

- ▶ **Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 23.**
- ▶ **Attach to Form 990.**
- ▶ **Go to [www.irs.gov/Form990](http://www.irs.gov/Form990) for instructions and the latest information.**

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**Part I Questions Regarding Compensation**

- 1a** Check the appropriate box(es) if the organization provided any of the following to or for a person listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a. Complete Part III to provide any relevant information regarding these items.
- First-class or charter travel
  - Travel for companions
  - Tax idemnification and gross-up payments
  - Discretionary spending account
  - Housing allowance or residence for personal use
  - Payments for business use of personal residence
  - Health or social club dues or initiation fees
  - 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

**2** Did the organization require substantiation prior to reimbursing or allowing expenses incurred by all directors, trustees, officers, including the CEO/Executive Director, regarding the items checked on Line 1a?

**3** Indicate which, if any, of the following the filing organization used to establish the compensation of the organization's CEO/Executive Director. Check all that apply. Do not check any boxes for methods used by a related organization to establish compensation of the CEO/Executive Director, but explain in Part III.

- Compensation committee
- Independent compensation consultant
- Form 990 of other organizations
- Written employment contract
- Compensation survey or study
- Approval by the board or compensation committee

**4** During the year, did any person listed on 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?

**Only 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations must complete lines 5-9.**

**5** For persons listed on 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," on line 5a or 5b, describe in Part III.

**6** For persons listed on 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," on line 6a or 6b, describe in Part III.

**7** For persons listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization provide any nonfixed payments not described in lines 5 and 6? If "Yes," describe in Part III.

**8** Were any amounts reported on Form 990, Part VII, paid or accrued pursuant to a contract that was subject to the initial contract exception described in Regulations section 53.4958-4(a)(3)? If "Yes," describe in Part III.

**9** If "Yes" on line 8, did the organization also follow the rebuttable presumption procedure described in Regulations section 53.4958-6(c)?

	Yes	No
<b>1a</b>		
<b>1b</b>		
<b>2</b>		
<b>3</b>		
<b>4a</b>		No
<b>4b</b>		No
<b>4c</b>		No
<b>5a</b>		No
<b>5b</b>		No
<b>6a</b>		No
<b>6b</b>		No
<b>7</b>		No
<b>8</b>		No
<b>9</b>		

**Part II Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees.** Use duplicate copies if additional space is needed.

For each individual whose compensation must be reported on 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) for each listed individual must equal the total amount of Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, applicable column (D) and (E) amounts for that individual.

(A) Name and Title		(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 in column (B) reported as deferred on prior Form 990
		(i) Base compensation	(ii) Bonus & incentive compensation	(iii) Other reportable compensation				
<b>1</b> NAVIN NAYAK EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR	(i)	236,885	0	0	16,802	20,205	273,892	0
	(ii)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>2</b> ALEX WALL VICE PRESIDENT	(i)	153,223	0	0	7,597	7,473	168,293	0
	(ii)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>3</b> WILLIAM RAGLAND SENIOR DIRECTOR	(i)	125,011	0	0	6,196	19,955	151,162	0
	(ii)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

**Part III Supplemental Information**

Provide the information, explanation, or descriptions required for Part I, lines 1a, 1b, 3, 4a, 4b, 4c, 5a, 5b, 6a, 6b, 7, and 8, and for Part II. Also complete this part for any additional information.

Return Reference	Explanation
PART I:	THE ACTION FUND DOES NOT DIRECTLY HIRE OR COMPENSATE EMPLOYEES. ALL EMPLOYEES ARE EMPLOYED BY THE CENTER FOR AMERICAN PROGRESS (CAP), AN UNRELATED ORGANIZATION EXEMPT UNDER SECTION 501(C)(3). COMPENSATION OF THE INDIVIDUALS LISTED ON THE ACTION FUND'S RETURN WAS DETERMINED UNDER CAP'S POLICIES AND PROCEDURES WHICH SATISFY THE REBUTTABLE PRESUMPTION OF REASONABLENESS. THE ACTION FUND OPERATES UNDER A COST SHARING AGREEMENT WITH CAP, APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF EACH ORGANIZATION, UNDER WHICH CAP EMPLOYS BOTH ORGANIZATION'S STAFF MEMBERS AND PAYS FOR GENERAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES. THE ACTION FUND REIMBURSES CAP FOR ITS SHARE OF THESE EXPENSES.

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**SCHEDULE O**  
**(Form 990 or 990-EZ)**Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service**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.**▶ **Go to [www.irs.gov/Form990](http://www.irs.gov/Form990) for the latest information.**

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FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION B, LINE 11B	THE FINANCE DEPARTMENT WORKED DIRECTLY WITH AN INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTING FIRM TO PREPARE THE FEDERAL FORM 990 ON BEHALF OF THE ACTION FUND. THE FINANCE DEPARTMENT MANAGED THE PROCESS, WITH CLOSE COORDINATION WITH THE LEGAL DEPARTMENT. THE ACCOUNTING FIRM PROVIDED A DRAFT FEDERAL FORM 990, WHICH WAS THEN REVIEWED AND COMMENTED ON BY THE FINANCE DEPARTMENT, THE LEGAL DEPARTMENT AND THE CORPORATE OFFICERS. THE UPDATED DRAFT FEDERAL FORM 990 AND SUMMARY MATERIALS WERE THEN PROVIDED TO THE AUDIT COMMITTEE OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR REVIEW AND CONSIDERATION ON BEHALF OF THE FULL BOARD OF DIRECTORS. THE AUDIT COMMITTEE WAS OFFERED THE OPPORTUNITY TO DISCUSS THE MATERIALS WITH THE ACTION FUND'S STAFF AND THE ACCOUNTING FIRM THAT PREPARED THE FEDERAL FORM 990. THE AUDIT COMMITTEE APPROVED THE DRAFT FEDERAL FORM 990, AND THE FULL BOARD OF DIRECTORS RECEIVED THE APPROVED VERSION OF THE FORM BEFORE FILING WITH THE INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE.
FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION B, LINE 12C	THE ACTION FUND IS COMMITTED TO PREVENTING OUTSIDE FINANCIAL INTERESTS OF ITS BOARD MEMBERS, OFFICERS OR EMPLOYEES FROM INFLUENCING ITS ACTIVITIES. TO THAT END, IT HAS ADOPTED AND ENFORCES POLICIES TO PREVENT CONFLICTS OF INTEREST AND THE APPEARANCE OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST, INCLUDING SEPARATE POLICIES GOVERNING (1) OFFICERS, DIRECTORS, AND KEY EMPLOYEES; AND (2) ALL EMPLOYEES. COMPLIANCE WITH POLICIES GOVERNING OFFICERS, DIRECTORS AND KEY EMPLOYEES. OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS RECEIVE A COPY OF THE CONFLICT OF INTEREST POLICY ANNUALLY, AND ARE ASKED TO REVIEW THE POLICY AND SIGN AN ACKNOWLEDGEMENT AFFIRMING RECEIPT, REVIEW AND AGREEMENT TO COMPLY WITH THE POLICY, AS WELL AS UNDERSTANDING THAT THE ACTION FUND IS A SOCIAL WELFARE ORGANIZATION. IN ADDITION, OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS ARE ASKED TO COMPLETE AN ANNUAL INDEPENDENCE QUESTIONNAIRE, WHICH SEEKS DISCLOSURE OF CERTAIN RELATIONSHIPS, ARRANGEMENTS AND TRANSACTIONS IN ORDER TO DETERMINE INDEPENDENCE AND THE EXISTENCE OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST. THESE POLICIES DESCRIBE POTENTIAL CONFLICTS, PROVIDE MEANS FOR DISCLOSURE, AND PROVIDES PROCESSES FOR INVESTIGATING AND RESOLVING POTENTIAL CONFLICTS.
FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION B, LINE 15A	THE ACTION FUND OPERATES UNDER A COST SHARING AGREEMENT WITH THE CENTER FOR AMERICAN PROGRESS (CAP), APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF EACH ORGANIZATION, UNDER WHICH CAP EMPLOYS BOTH ORGANIZATIONS' STAFF MEMBERS AND PAYS FOR GENERAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES. THE ACTION FUND REIMBURSES CAP FOR ITS SHARE OF THESE EXPENSES. COMPENSATION FOR STAFF AND FELLOWS IS SET BY THE COMPENSATION COMMITTEE OF CAP'S BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND THE ACTION FUND RELIES ON THE PRACTICES PUT IN PLACE BY CAP'S BOARD OF DIRECTORS TO ENSURE EMPLOYEE COMPENSATION IS NOT EXCESSIVE. THE CAP BOARD OF DIRECTORS COMPENSATION COMMITTEE, A COMMITTEE OF INDEPENDENT PERSONS, APPROVES THE SALARY OF THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER USING COMPARABILITY DATA AND CONTEMPORANEOUSLY SUBSTANTIATES THE DELIBERATION AND DECISION.
FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION C, LINE 19	THE ACTION FUND MAKES ITS GOVERNING DOCUMENTS, CONFLICTS OF INTEREST POLICY, AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC. THE ACTION FUND'S GOVERNING DOCUMENTS ARE INCLUDED IN ITS FORM 1024, APPLICATION FOR RECOGNITION OF EXEMPTION UNDER SECTION 501(C)(4). CHANGES TO ITS GOVERNING DOCUMENTS ARE FILED WITH ITS FEDERAL FORM 990. BOTH FORMS, AS WELL AS ITS AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, ARE MADE AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC UPON REQUESTS RECEIVED AT ITS WASHINGTON, D.C. OFFICE. THE ACTION FUND'S FEDERAL FORM 990 AND AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS ARE ALSO MADE AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC BY WAY OF THE ONLINE INFORMATION SERVICE, GUIDESTAR.ORG. THE ACTION FUND'S FINANCIAL STATEMENTS ARE AUDITED BY AN INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANT ON AN ANNUAL BASIS. THE ACTION FUND'S AUDIT COMMITTEE, ACTING WITH DELEGATED AUTHORITY ON BEHALF OF THE FULL BOARD OF DIRECTORS, OVERSEES ALL ASPECTS OF THE ORGANIZATION'S FINANCIAL STATEMENT AUDIT. EACH YEAR, THE AUDIT COMMITTEE APPROVES THE ACTION FUND'S EXTERNAL AUDIT FIRM. AT ANY STAGE OF THE AUDIT, THE AUDIT COMMITTEE HAS THE OPPORTUNITY TO MEET WITH THE AUDITOR, WITH OR WITHOUT THE ACTION FUND'S MANAGEMENT OR STAFF PRESENT. AT THE CONCLUSION OF THE AUDIT, THE AUDIT COMMITTEE REVIEWS THE AUDIT REPORT, WHICH INCLUDES COMMUNICATIONS TO THE AUDIT COMMITTEE REQUIRED UNDER STATEMENT OF AUDITING STANDARDS #114. AFTER ITS REVIEW AND DISCUSSION WITH THE AUDITOR, THE AUDIT COMMITTEE VOTES TO ACCEPT OR REJECT THE AUDIT.
FORM 990, PART IX, LINE 11G	CONSULTING: PROGRAM SERVICE EXPENSES 4,163,954. MANAGEMENT AND GENERAL EXPENSES 8,403. FUNDRAISING EXPENSES 13,094. TOTAL EXPENSES 4,185,451. FELLOWS AND HONORARIA: PROGRAM SERVICE EXPENSES 20,259. MANAGEMENT AND GENERAL EXPENSES 41. FUNDRAISING EXPENSES 64. TOTAL EXPENSES 20,364. PAYROLL PROCESSING: PROGRAM SERVICE EXPENSES 19,141. MANAGEMENT AND GENERAL EXPENSES 39. FUNDRAISING EXPENSES 60. TOTAL EXPENSES 19,240. PHOTOGRAPHY: PROGRAM SERVICE EXPENSES 5,000. MANAGEMENT AND GENERAL EXPENSES 10. FUNDRAISING EXPENSES 16. TOTAL EXPENSES 5,026.
FORM 990, PART XI, LINE 9:	LOSS ON RETURN OF GRANT FUNDS -788.

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