

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 private foundations)

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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
RURALORGANIZINGORG

Doing business as

Number and street (or P.O. box if mail is not delivered to street address) Room/suite
545 E Town St

City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code
Columbus, OH 43215

D Employer identification number
82-5040665

E Telephone number
(614) 263-7000

G Gross receipts \$ 845,456

F Name and address of principal officer:
Matthew Hildreth
545 E Town St
Columbus, OH 43215

H(a) Is this a group return for subordinates? Yes No
H(b) Are all subordinates included? Yes No
If "No," attach a list. (see instructions)
H(c) Group exemption number ▶

I Tax-exempt status: 501(c)(3) 501(c)(4) (insert no.) 4947(a)(1) or 527

J Website: ▶

K Form of organization: Corporation Trust Association Other ▶

L Year of formation: 2018

M State of legal domicile:
OH

Part I Summary

1 Briefly describe the organization's mission or most significant activities:
Research, networking, communications, education, and advocacy to advance the public policy priorities of rural Americans.

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

3 Number of voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1a)	3	4
4 Number of independent voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1b)	4	4
5 Total number of individuals employed in calendar year 2020 (Part V, line 2a)	5	0
6 Total number of volunteers (estimate if necessary)	6	50
7a Total unrelated business revenue from Part VIII, column (C), line 12	7a	0
7b Net unrelated business taxable income from Form 990-T, line 39	7b	0

	Prior Year	Current Year
8 Contributions and grants (Part VIII, line 1h)	0	845,424
9 Program service revenue (Part VIII, line 2g)	0	0
10 Investment income (Part VIII, column (A), lines 3, 4, and 7d)	0	32
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)	0	845,456
13 Grants and similar amounts paid (Part IX, column (A), lines 1–3)	0	14,400
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)	0	87,279
16a Professional fundraising fees (Part IX, column (A), line 11e)	0	0
b Total fundraising expenses (Part IX, column (D), line 25) ▶ 0		
17 Other expenses (Part IX, column (A), lines 11a–11d, 11f–24e)	0	579,219
18 Total expenses. Add lines 13–17 (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	0	680,898
19 Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 18 from line 12	0	164,558
	Beginning of Current Year	End of Year
20 Total assets (Part X, line 16)	24,180	188,738
21 Total liabilities (Part X, line 26)	0	0
22 Net assets or fund balances. Subtract line 21 from line 20	24,180	188,738

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: _____ Date: 2022-05-27

Matthew Hildreth Executive Director
Type or print name and title

Paid Preparer Use Only

Print/Type preparer's name	Preparer's signature	Date	Check <input type="checkbox"/> if self-employed	PTIN
Firm's name ▶ McTigue Colombo & Clinger		2022-05-27		P02039039
Firm's address ▶ 545 E Town St Columbus, OH 43215			Firm's EIN ▶ 26-3931260	
			Phone no. (301) 980-6368	

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:

Research, networking, communications, education, and advocacy to advance the public policy priorities of rural Americans.

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 \$ 251,602 including grants of \$ 0) (Revenue \$ 0)
See Additional Data

4b (Code:) (Expenses \$ 259,865 including grants of \$ 14,400) (Revenue \$ 0)
See Additional Data

4c (Code:) (Expenses \$ 152,520 including grants of \$ 0) (Revenue \$ 0)
See Additional Data

4d Other program services (Describe in Schedule O.)
(Expenses \$ 0 including grants of \$ 0) (Revenue \$ 0)

4e Total program service expenses ▶ 663,987

Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules

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

Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules (continued)

Table with 3 columns: Question/Description, Yes, No. Rows include questions 22 through 38 regarding grants, compensation, tax-exempt bonds, excess benefit transactions, and controlled entities.

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/Description, Yes, No. Rows include 1a (Form 1096), 1b (Forms W-2G), and 1c (backup withholding rules).

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

2a Enter the number of employees reported on Form W-3, Transmittal of Wage and Tax Statements, filed for the calendar year ending with or within the year covered by this return. 2a 0
2b If at least one is reported on line 2a, did the organization file all required federal employment tax returns? Note. If the sum of lines 1a and 2a is greater than 250, you may be required to e-file (see instructions) 2b
3a Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year? 3a No
3b If "Yes," has it filed a Form 990-T for this year? If "No" to line 3b, provide an explanation in Schedule O. 3b
4a At any time during the calendar year, did the organization have an interest in, or a signature or other authority over, a financial account in a foreign country (such as a bank account, securities account, or other financial account)? 4a No
4b If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country: See instructions for filing requirements for FinCEN Form 114, Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts (FBAR).
5a Was the organization a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction at any time during the tax year? 5a No
5b Did any taxable party notify the organization that it was or is a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction? 5b No
5c If "Yes," to line 5a or 5b, did the organization file Form 8886-T? 5c
6a Does the organization have annual gross receipts that are normally greater than \$100,000, and did the organization solicit any contributions that were not tax deductible as charitable contributions? 6a Yes
6b If "Yes," did the organization include with every solicitation an express statement that such contributions or gifts were not tax deductible? 6b Yes
7 Organizations that may receive deductible contributions under section 170(c).
7a Did the organization receive a payment in excess of \$75 made partly as a contribution and partly for goods and services provided to the payor? 7a
7b If "Yes," did the organization notify the donor of the value of the goods or services provided? 7b
7c Did the organization sell, exchange, or otherwise dispose of tangible personal property for which it was required to file Form 8282? 7c
7d If "Yes," indicate the number of Forms 8282 filed during the year 7d
7e Did the organization receive any funds, directly or indirectly, to pay premiums on a personal benefit contract? 7e
7f Did the organization, during the year, pay premiums, directly or indirectly, on a personal benefit contract? 7f
7g If the organization received a contribution of qualified intellectual property, did the organization file Form 8899 as required? 7g
7h If the organization received a contribution of cars, boats, airplanes, or other vehicles, did the organization file a Form 1098-C? 7h
8 Sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds. Did a donor advised fund maintained by the sponsoring organization have excess business holdings at any time during the year? 8
9 Sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds.
9a Did the sponsoring organization make any taxable distributions under section 4966? 9a
9b Did the sponsoring organization make a distribution to a donor, donor advisor, or related person? 9b
10 Section 501(c)(7) organizations. Enter:
10a Initiation fees and capital contributions included on Part VIII, line 12 10a
10b Gross receipts, included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, for public use of club facilities 10b
11 Section 501(c)(12) organizations. Enter:
11a Gross income from members or shareholders 11a
11b Gross income from other sources (Do not net amounts due or paid to other sources against amounts due or received from them.) 11b
12a Section 4947(a)(1) non-exempt charitable trusts. Is the organization filing Form 990 in lieu of Form 1041? 12a
12b If "Yes," enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the year. 12b
13 Section 501(c)(29) qualified nonprofit health insurance issuers.
13a Is the organization licensed to issue qualified health plans in more than one state? Note. See the instructions for additional information the organization must report on Schedule O. 13a
13b Enter the amount of reserves the organization is required to maintain by the states in which the organization is licensed to issue qualified health plans 13b
13c Enter the amount of reserves on hand 13c
14a Did the organization receive any payments for indoor tanning services during the tax year? 14a No
14b If "Yes," has it filed a Form 720 to report these payments? If "No," provide an explanation in Schedule O. 14b
15 Is the organization subject to the section 4960 tax on payment(s) of more than \$1,000,000 in remuneration or excess parachute payment(s) during the year? If "Yes," see instructions and file Form 4720, Schedule N. 15 No
16 Is the organization an educational institution subject to the section 4968 excise tax on net investment income? If "Yes," complete Form 4720, Schedule O. 16 No

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 (4), 1b (4), 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7a, 7b, 8a, 8b, 9.

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, 10b, 11a, 11b, 12a, 12b, 12c, 13, 14, 15a, 15b, 16a, 16b.

Section C. Disclosure

- 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 (or 1024-A 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.
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, 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) Matthew Hildreth Executive Director	45 5			X	X			87,279	0	0
(2) Nick Levendofsky Board Member	1 0	X						0	0	0
(3) Kate Albright-Hana Board Members	1 0	X						0	0	0
(4) Anthony J Wenndt Board Member	1 0	X						0	0	0
(5) Ruby Elbasha Board Memeber	1 0	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			

1b Sub-Total	▶			
c Total from continuation sheets to Part VII, Section A	▶			
d Total (add lines 1b and 1c)	▶		87,279	0

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 ▶ 0

3 Did the organization list any former officer, director or trustee, key employee, or highest compensated employee on line 1a? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual</i>	Yes	No
4 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>		No
5 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

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 ▶ 0

Part VIII Statement of Revenue

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

Table with columns for (A) Total revenue, (B) Related or exempt function revenue, (C) Unrelated business revenue, and (D) Revenue excluded from tax. Rows include Contributions, Gifts, Grants and Other Similar Amounts; Program Service Revenue; and Other Revenue.

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

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 domestic organizations and domestic governments. See Part IV, line 21	14,400	14,400		
2 Grants and other assistance to domestic individuals. See Part IV, line 22				
3 Grants and other assistance to foreign organizations, foreign governments, and foreign individuals. See Part IV, lines 15 and 16.				
4 Benefits paid to or for members				
5 Compensation of current officers, directors, trustees, and key employees	87,279	87,279		
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				
8 Pension plan accruals and contributions (include section 401 (k) and 403(b) employer contributions)				
9 Other employee benefits				
10 Payroll taxes				
11 Fees for services (non-employees):				
a Management	221,107	221,107		
b Legal	7,695		7,695	
c Accounting				
d Lobbying				
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)				
12 Advertising and promotion	12,851	12,851		
13 Office expenses	9,216		9,216	
14 Information technology				
15 Royalties				
16 Occupancy				
17 Travel				
18 Payments of travel or entertainment expenses for any federal, state, or local public officials				
19 Conferences, conventions, and meetings				
20 Interest				
21 Payments to affiliates				
22 Depreciation, depletion, and amortization				
23 Insurance				
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 Consulting and community advocacy	120,862	120,862	0	0
b Research and polling	150,400	150,400	0	0
c Event entertainment	32,950	32,950	0	0
d Communications consulting	24,138	24,138	0	0
e All other expenses				
25 Total functional expenses. Add lines 1 through 24e	680,898	663,987	16,911	0
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 or note to any line in this Part IX

		(A) Beginning of year		(B) End of year
Assets	1 Cash—non-interest-bearing	24,180	1	188,738
	2 Savings and temporary cash investments	0	2	0
	3 Pledges and grants receivable, net	0	3	0
	4 Accounts receivable, net	0	4	0
	5 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	0	5	0
	6 Loans and other receivables from other disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)), and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B)	0	6	0
	7 Notes and loans receivable, net	0	7	0
	8 Inventories for sale or use	0	8	0
	9 Prepaid expenses and deferred charges	0	9	0
	10a Land, buildings, and equipment: cost or other basis. Complete Part VI of Schedule D			
	b Less: accumulated depreciation	0	10c	
	11 Investments—publicly traded securities	0	11	0
	12 Investments—other securities. See Part IV, line 11	0	12	0
	13 Investments—program-related. See Part IV, line 11	0	13	0
	14 Intangible assets	0	14	0
	15 Other assets. See Part IV, line 11	0	15	0
16 Total assets. Add lines 1 through 15 (must equal line 33)	24,180	16	188,738	
Liabilities	17 Accounts payable and accrued expenses	0	17	0
	18 Grants payable	0	18	0
	19 Deferred revenue	0	19	0
	20 Tax-exempt bond liabilities	0	20	0
	21 Escrow or custodial account liability. Complete Part IV of Schedule D	0	21	0
	22 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	0	22	0
	23 Secured mortgages and notes payable to unrelated third parties	0	23	0
	24 Unsecured notes and loans payable to unrelated third parties	0	24	0
Net Assets or Fund Balances	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	0	26	0
	Organizations that follow FASB ASC 958, check here <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 27, 28, 32, and 33.			
	27 Net assets without donor restrictions	24,180	27	188,738
	28 Net assets with donor restrictions	0	28	0
	Organizations that do not follow FASB ASC 958, check here <input type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 29 through 33.			
	29 Capital stock or trust principal, or current funds		29	
	30 Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, building or equipment fund		30	
31 Retained earnings, endowment, accumulated income, or other funds		31		
32 Total net assets or fund balances	24,180	32	188,738	
33 Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances	24,180	33	188,738	

Part XI Reconciliation of Net Assets

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

1	Total revenue (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	1	845,456
2	Total expenses (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	2	680,898
3	Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 2 from line 1	3	164,558
4	Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (must equal Part X, line 32, column (A))	4	24,180
5	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	5	0
6	Donated services and use of facilities	6	0
7	Investment expenses	7	0
8	Prior period adjustments	8	0
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 32, column (B))	10	188,738

Part XII Financial Statements and Reporting

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

		Yes	No
1	Accounting method used to prepare the Form 990: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Cash <input 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
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 type="checkbox"/> Separate basis <input type="checkbox"/> Consolidated basis <input type="checkbox"/> Both consolidated and separate basis		No
c	If "Yes," to line 2a or 2b, does the organization have a committee that assumes responsibility for oversight of the audit, review, or compilation of its financial statements and selection of an independent accountant? If the organization changed either its oversight process or selection process during the tax year, explain in Schedule O.		
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
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.		

Additional Data

Software ID: 20012124

Software Version: v1.00

EIN: 82-5040665

Name: RURALORGANIZINGORG

Form 990 (2020)

Form 990, Part III, Line 4a:

Polling on public policy priorities of rural Americans; communications training for rural Americans and organizations advancing the organization's mission; generating earned media coverage which advances the organization's mission of promoting the importance of the rural progressive vote in the electorate.

Form 990, Part III, Line 4b:

Organizing networks of rural Americans to enhance their ability to advocate on their own behalf for policies which support their public policy priorities and combating disinformation in rural communities and social media networks.

Form 990, Part III, Line 4c:

Organizing rural Americans in Kansas, North Carolina, and Iowa to promote participation in the electoral process.

TY 2020 Reasonable Cause Explanation**Name:** RURALORGANIZINGORG**EIN:** 82-5040665**Software ID:** 20012124**Software Version:** v1.00

Explanation: The organization received notice of failure to file electronically on May 23, 2022. The organization regrets that it did not file electronically as required and submit that it had reasonable cause. The organization had previously filed only Form 990-N and has previously timely filed all returns. 2020 was the first year of the organization's service activity. The organization has engaged counsel to ensure that all future returns are timely filed electronically. The organization respectfully requests that any penalty for failing to timely file electronically be abated.

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**Schedule I
(Form 990)**

Department of the
Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

**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 for the latest information.

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Name of the organization
RURALORGANIZINGORG

Employer identification number
82-5040665

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) SoCe Neighborhood Action Fund 417 E Gilbert St Wichita, KS 67211	47-3299771	501(c)(3)	14,400	0			Community engagement

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

3 Enter total number of other organizations listed in the line 1 table ▶ 0

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
Schedule I, Part I, Line 2	The organization requires documentation of the recipient organization's eligibility to receive grant funding and that the recipient organization's mission is consistent with RuralOrganizing.org's exempt purpose and mission. The organization request a written grant agreement with the recipient organization and a report from the recipient organization documenting the use of the grant funds.

SCHEDULE O
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)**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 for the latest information.

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Department of the Treasury

Name of the organization
RURALORGANIZINGORG

Employer identification number

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990 Schedule O, Supplemental Information

Return Reference	Explanation
Form 990, Part VI, Section B, Line 11b	The initial draft of the return is prepared by counsel based on the organization's financial and other records. The draft return is then circulated to organizational leadership for review. Counsel then makes any necessary revisions to the return before it is finalized, signed, and filed.

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Form 990, Part VI, Section B, Line 12c	Annual statements/disclosures of potential conflicts of interest are requested of the board members and staff by the organization's staff and those statements are kept in the records of the organization.

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Form 990, Part VI, Section B, Line 15	The independent staff of the organization assembles comparability data using commercially available sources. The independent members of the board review the comparability data in a formal meeting of the board. No individuals who are not independent or who have a conflict of interest may participate in these deliberations or discussions. Based on the comparability data and the duties and services to be provided the board determines a level of compensation for the individual which is fair and reasonable and not excessive.

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Return Reference	Explanation
Form 990, Part VI, Section C, Line 19	The organization's financial statements and other documents are available upon request at the organization's place of business.

**SCHEDULE R
(Form 990)**

Related Organizations and Unrelated Partnerships

OMB No. 1545-0047

2020

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▶ **Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 33, 34, 35b, 36, or 37.**
▶ **Attach to Form 990.**
▶ **Go to www.irs.gov/Form990 for instructions and the latest information.**

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Part I Identification of Disregarded Entities. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 33.

(a) Name, address, and EIN (if applicable) of disregarded entity	(b) Primary activity	(c) Legal domicile (state or foreign country)	(d) Total income	(e) End-of-year assets	(f) Direct controlling entity

Part II Identification of Related Tax-Exempt Organizations. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 34 because it had one or more related tax-exempt organizations during the tax year.

(a) Name, address, and EIN of related organization	(b) Primary activity	(c) Legal domicile (state or foreign country)	(d) Exempt Code section	(e) Public charity status (if section 501(c)(3))	(f) Direct controlling entity	(g) Section 512(b)(13) controlled entity?	
						Yes	No
(1) RuralOrganizing Dot Org Education Fund 545 E Town St Columbus, OH 43215 85-1211115	Education	OH	501(c)(3)	Public charity	N/A		

Part III Identification of Related Organizations Taxable as a Partnership. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 34, because it had one or more related organizations treated as a partnership during the tax year.

(a) Name, address, and EIN of related organization	(b) Primary activity	(c) Legal domicile (state or foreign country)	(d) Direct controlling entity	(e) Predominant income(related, unrelated, excluded from tax under sections 512- 514)	(f) Share of total income	(g) Share of end-of-year assets	(h) Disproportionate allocations?		(i) Code V-UBI amount in box 20 of Schedule K-1 (Form 1065)	(j) General or managing partner?		(k) Percentage ownership
							Yes	No		Yes	No	

Part IV Identification of Related Organizations Taxable as a Corporation or Trust. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 34 because it had one or more related organizations treated as a corporation or trust during the tax year.

(a) Name, address, and EIN of related organization	(b) Primary activity	(c) Legal domicile (state or foreign country)	(d) Direct controlling entity	(e) Type of entity (C corp, S corp, or trust)	(f) Share of total income	(g) Share of end-of- year assets	(h) Percentage ownership	(i) Section 512(b) (13) controlled entity?	
								Yes	No

Part V Transactions With Related Organizations. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 34, 35b, or 36.

Note. Complete line 1 if any entity is listed in Parts II, III, or IV of this schedule.

		Yes	No
1 During the tax year, did the organization engage in any of the following transactions with one or more related organizations listed in Parts II-IV?			
a	Receipt of (i) interest, (ii) annuities, (iii) royalties, or (iv) rent from a controlled entity		No
b	Gift, grant, or capital contribution to related organization(s)		No
c	Gift, grant, or capital contribution from related organization(s)		No
d	Loans or loan guarantees to or for related organization(s)		No
e	Loans or loan guarantees by related organization(s)		No
f	Dividends from related organization(s)		No
g	Sale of assets to related organization(s)		No
h	Purchase of assets from related organization(s)		No
i	Exchange of assets with related organization(s)		No
j	Lease of facilities, equipment, or other assets to related organization(s)		No
k	Lease of facilities, equipment, or other assets from related organization(s)		No
l	Performance of services or membership or fundraising solicitations for related organization(s)		No
m	Performance of services or membership or fundraising solicitations by related organization(s)		No
n	Sharing of facilities, equipment, mailing lists, or other assets with related organization(s)		No
o	Sharing of paid employees with related organization(s)		No
p	Reimbursement paid to related organization(s) for expenses		No
q	Reimbursement paid by related organization(s) for expenses		No
r	Other transfer of cash or property to related organization(s)		No
s	Other transfer of cash or property from related organization(s)		No

2 If the answer to any of the above is "Yes," see the instructions for information on who must complete this line, including covered relationships and transaction thresholds.

(a) Name of related organization	(b) Transaction type (a-s)	(c) Amount involved	(d) Method of determining amount involved

Part VII **Supplemental Information**

Provide additional information for responses to questions on Schedule R. (see instructions).

Return Reference	Explanation