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Form

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). Do not enter social security numbers on this form as it may be made public.

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OMB No. 1545-0047

2024

Open to Public Inspection

A For the **2024** calendar year, or tax year beginning **01-01-2024**, and ending **12-31-2024**

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

C Name of organization
WESTERN ORGANIZATION OF RESOURCE COUNCILS

Doing business as

Number and street (or P.O. box if mail is not delivered to street address) Room/suite
220 SOUTH 27TH STREET B

City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code
BILLINGS, MT 59101

F Name and address of principal officer:
DEB LOVE
220 SOUTH 27TH STREET B
BILLINGS, MT 59101

D Employer identification number
45-0356819

E Telephone number
(406) 252-9672

G Gross receipts \$ 6,943,256

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

J Website: [HTTPS://WWW.WORC.ORG/](https://www.worc.org/)

K Form of organization: ☒ Corporation ☐ Trust ☐ Association ☐ Other

L Year of formation: 1979

M State of legal domicile: MT

Part I

Summary

Activities & Governance

1 Briefly describe the organization's mission or most significant activities:
TO ADVANCE THE VISION OF THE DEMOCRATIC, SUSTAINABLE, AND JUST SOCIETY THROUGH COMMUNITY ACTION. WORC IS COMMITTED TO BUILDING SUSTAINABLE ENVIRONMENTAL AND ECONOMIC COMMUNITIES THAT BALANCE ECONOMIC GROWTH WITH THE HEALTH OF PEOPLE AND STEWARDSHIP OF THEIR LAND, WATER, AND AIR RESOURCES.

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	19
4 Number of independent voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1b)	4	19
5 Total number of individuals employed in calendar year 2024 (Part V, line 2a)	5	61
6 Total number of volunteers (estimate if necessary)	6	19
7a Total unrelated business revenue from Part VIII, column (C), line 12	7a	0
b Net unrelated business taxable income from Form 990-T, Part I, line 11	7b	0

Revenue

	Prior Year	Current Year
8 Contributions and grants (Part VIII, line 1h)	3,158,978	6,689,564
9 Program service revenue (Part VIII, line 2g)	114,079	237,246
10 Investment income (Part VIII, column (A), lines 3, 4, and 7d)	7,221	14,541
11 Other revenue (Part VIII, column (A), lines 5, 6d, 8c, 9c, 10c, and 11e)	7,622	1,905
12 Total revenue—add lines 8 through 11 (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	3,287,900	6,943,256

Expenses

13 Grants and similar amounts paid (Part IX, column (A), lines 1–3)	82,468	797,251
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)	1,951,098	2,829,794
16a Professional fundraising fees (Part IX, column (A), line 11e)	0	0
b Total fundraising expenses (Part IX, column (D), line 25) <u>639,516</u>		
17 Other expenses (Part IX, column (A), lines 11a–11d, 11f–24e)	1,178,349	3,478,666
18 Total expenses. Add lines 13–17 (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	3,211,915	7,105,711
19 Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 18 from line 12	75,985	-162,455

Net Assets or Fund Balances

	Beginning of Current Year	End of Year
20 Total assets (Part X, line 16)	1,439,400	1,912,817
21 Total liabilities (Part X, line 26)	127,173	763,045
22 Net assets or fund balances. Subtract line 21 from line 20	1,312,227	1,149,772

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
DEB LOVE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
Type or print name and title

2025-11-14

Date

Print/Type preparer's name

Preparer's signature

Date
2025-11-13

Check ☐ if self-employed

PTIN
P01375059

Firm's name

JUNKERMIERCLARKCAMPANELLASTEVENSPC

Firm's EIN

81-0348775

Firm's address 3060 CABERNET DR STE 2

HELENA, MT 59601

Phone no. (406) 442-6901

Paid Preparer Use Only

May the IRS discuss this return with the preparer shown above? See Instructions. ☒ Yes ☐ No

For Paperwork Reduction Act Notice, see the separate instructions.

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Part III

Statement of Program Service Accomplishments

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

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1

Briefly describe the organization’s mission:

TO ADVANCE THE VISION OF THE DEMOCRATIC, SUSTAINABLE, AND JUST SOCIETY THROUGH COMMUNITY ACTION. WORC IS COMMITTED TO BUILDING SUSTAINABLE ENVIRONMENTAL AND ECONOMIC COMMUNITIES THAT BALANCE ECONOMIC GROWTH WITH THE HEALTH OF PEOPLE AND STEWARDSHIP OF THEIR LAND, WATER, AND AIR RESOURCES.

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 \$ 6,324,082 including grants of \$ 797,251) (Revenue \$ 237,246)

RESEARCH, EDUCATION, PUBLIC POLICY ADVOCACY, LEADERSHIP AND STAFF DEVELOPMENT, FOCUSED ON ENERGY POLICY IMPACTS IN THE WESTERN UNITED STATES, ECONOMIC AND ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS OF COAL MINING AND TRANSPORT, AND RESPONSIBLE DEVELOPMENT OF OIL AND GAS RESOURCES, RESEARCH AND SUPPORT FOR LOCAL FOODS AND COMPETITIVE LIVESTOCK MARKETS, STAFF TRAINING AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE, REACHING OVER 500 LEADERS.

4b

(Code:) (Expenses \$ including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)

4c

(Code:) (Expenses \$ including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)

4d

Other program services (Describe in Schedule O.)

(Expenses \$ including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)

4e

Total program service expenses 6,324,082

Part IV

Checklist of Required Schedules

	Yes	No
1 Is the organization described in section 501(c)(3) or 4947(a)(1) (other than a private foundation)? If "Yes," complete Schedule A	1	No
2 Is the organization required to complete Schedule B, Schedule of Contributors? See instructions. 	2 Yes	
3 Did the organization engage in direct or indirect political campaign activities on behalf of or in opposition to candidates for public office? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part I	3	No
4 Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Did the organization engage in lobbying activities, or have a section 501(h) election in effect during the tax year? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part II	4	
5 Is the organization a section 501(c)(4), 501(c)(5), or 501(c)(6) organization that receives membership dues, assessments, or similar amounts as defined in Rev. Proc. 98-19? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part III	5	No
6 Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds or any similar funds or accounts for which donors have the right to provide advice on the distribution or investment of amounts in such funds or accounts? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part I 	6	No
7 Did the organization receive or hold a conservation easement, including easements to preserve open space, the environment, historic land areas, or historic structures? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part II 	7	No
8 Did the organization maintain collections of works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part III 	8	No
9 Did the organization report an amount in Part X, line 21 for escrow or custodial account liability; serve as a custodian for amounts not listed in Part X; or provide credit counseling, debt management, credit repair, or debt negotiation services? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part IV 	9	No
10 Did the organization, directly or through a related organization, hold assets in temporarily restricted endowments, permanent endowments, or quasi endowments? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part V	10	No
11 If the organization's answer to any of the following questions is "Yes," then complete Schedule D, Parts VI, VII, VIII, IX, or X, as applicable.		
a Did the organization report an amount for land, buildings, and equipment in Part X, line 10? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VI. 	11a Yes	
b Did the organization report an amount for investments—other securities in Part X, line 12 that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VII 	11b	No
c Did the organization report an amount for investments—program related in Part X, line 13 that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VIII 	11c	No
d Did the organization report an amount for other assets in Part X, line 15 that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part IX 	11d	No
e Did the organization report an amount for other liabilities in Part X, line 25? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X 	11e Yes	
f Did the organization's separate or consolidated financial statements for the tax year include a footnote that addresses the organization's liability for uncertain tax positions under FIN 48 (ASC 740)?	11f	No
12a If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X,  Did the organization obtain separate, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Parts XI and XII 	12a Yes	
b Was the organization included in consolidated, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? If "Yes," and if the organization answered "No" to line 12a, then completing Schedule D, Parts XI and XII is optional 	12b	No
13 Is the organization a school described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? If "Yes," complete Schedule E	13	No
14a Did the organization maintain an office, employees, or agents outside of the United States?	14a	No
b Did the organization have aggregate revenues or expenses of more than \$10,000 from grantmaking, fundraising, business, investment, and program service activities outside the United States, or aggregate foreign investments valued at \$100,000 or more? If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts I and IV	14b	No
15 Did the organization report on Part IX, column (A), line 3, more than \$5,000 of grants or other assistance to or for any foreign organization? If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts II and IV	15	No
16 Did the organization report on Part IX, column (A), line 3, more than \$5,000 of aggregate grants or other assistance to or for foreign individuals? If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts III and IV	16	No
17 Did the organization report a total of more than \$15,000 of expenses for professional fundraising services on Part IX, column (A), lines 6 and 11e? If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part I. See instructions.	17	No
18 Did the organization report more than \$15,000 total of fundraising event gross income and contributions on Part VIII, lines 1c and 8a? If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part II	18	No
19 Did the organization report more than \$15,000 of gross income from gaming activities on Part VIII, line 9a? If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part III	19	No
20a Did the organization operate one or more hospital facilities? If "Yes," complete Schedule H	20a	No
b If "Yes" to line 20a, did the organization attach a copy of its audited financial statements to this return?	20b	
21 Did the organization report more than \$5,000 of grants or other assistance to any domestic organization or domestic government on Part IX, column (A), line 1? If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and II 	21 Yes	

Part IV

Checklist of Required Schedules (continued)

	Yes	No
22 Did the organization report more than \$5,000 of grants or other assistance to or for domestic individuals on Part IX, column (A), line 2? If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and III	22	No
23 Did the organization answer "Yes" to Part VII, Section A, line 3, 4, or 5, about compensation of the organization's current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, and highest compensated employees? If "Yes," complete Schedule J	23	No
24a Did the organization have a tax-exempt bond issue with an outstanding principal amount of more than \$100,000 as of the last day of the year, that was issued after December 31, 2002? If "Yes," answer lines 24b through 24d and complete Schedule K. If "No," go to line 25a	24a	No
b Did the organization invest any proceeds of tax-exempt bonds beyond a temporary period exception?	24b	
c Did the organization maintain an escrow account other than a refunding escrow at any time during the year to defease any tax-exempt bonds?	24c	
d Did the organization act as an "on behalf of" issuer for bonds outstanding at any time during the year?	24d	
25a Section 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations. Did the organization engage in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person during the year? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I	25a	No
b Is the organization aware that it engaged in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person in a prior year, and that the transaction has not been reported on any of the organization's prior Forms 990 or 990-EZ? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I	25b	No
26 Did the organization report any amount on Part X, line 5 or 22 for receivables from or 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?	26	No
27 If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I. Did the organization provide a grant or other assistance to any current or former officer, director, trustee, key employee, creator or founder, substantial contributor, or employee thereof, a grant selection committee member, or to a 35% controlled entity (including an employee thereof) or family member of any of these persons? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part III	27	No
28 Was the organization a party to a business transaction with one of the following parties (see the Schedule L, Part IV instructions for applicable filing thresholds, conditions, and exceptions):		
a A current or former officer, director, trustee, key employee, creator or founder, or substantial contributor? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV	28a	No
b A family member of any individual described in line 28a? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV	28b	No
c A 35% controlled entity of one or more individuals and/or organizations described in line 28a or 28b? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV	28c	No
29 Did the organization receive more than \$25,000 in non-cash contributions? If "Yes," complete Schedule M	29	No
30 Did the organization receive contributions of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets, or qualified conservation contributions?	30	No
31 If "Yes," complete Schedule M. Did the organization liquidate, terminate, or dissolve and cease operations? If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part I	31	No
32 Did the organization sell, exchange, dispose of, or transfer more than 25% of its net assets? If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part II	32	No
33 Did the organization own 100% of an entity disregarded as separate from the organization under Regulations sections 301.7701-2 and 301.7701-3?	33	No
34 Was the organization related to any tax-exempt or taxable entity? If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part II, III, or IV, and Part V, line 1	34	Yes
35a Did the organization have a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)?	35a	Yes
b If "Yes" to line 35a, did the organization receive any payment from or engage in any transaction with a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2	35b	No
36 Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization? If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2	36	
37 Did the organization conduct more than 5% of its activities through an entity that is not a related organization and that is treated as a partnership for federal income tax purposes? If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part VI	37	No
38 Did the organization complete Schedule O and provide explanations on Schedule O for Part VI, lines 11b and 19? Note. All Form 990 filers are required to complete Schedule O.	38	Yes

Part V

Statements Regarding Other IRS Filings and Tax Compliance

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

	Yes	No
1a Enter the number reported in box 3 of Form 1096. Enter -0- if not applicable	1a	11
b Enter the number of Forms W-2G included on line 1a. Enter -0- if not applicable	1b	0
c Did the organization comply with backup withholding rules for reportable payments to vendors and reportable gaming (gambling) winnings to prize winners?	1c	

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	61			
b If at least one is reported on line 2a, did the organization file all required federal employment tax returns?		2b		Yes		
3a Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year?		3a			No	
b 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	
b 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	
b Did any taxable party notify the organization that it was or is a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction?		5b			No	
c 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		
b 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).						
a Did the organization receive a payment in excess of \$75 made partly as a contribution and partly for goods and services provided to the payor?		7a			No	
b If "Yes," did the organization notify the donor of the value of the goods or services provided?		7b				
c Did the organization sell, exchange, or otherwise dispose of tangible personal property for which it was required to file Form 8282?		7c			No	
d If "Yes," indicate the number of Forms 8282 filed during the year		7d				
e Did the organization receive any funds, directly or indirectly, to pay premiums on a personal benefit contract?		7e				
f Did the organization, during the year, pay premiums, directly or indirectly, on a personal benefit contract?		7f				
g If the organization received a contribution of qualified intellectual property, did the organization file Form 8899 as required?		7g				
h 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.						
a Did the sponsoring organization make any taxable distributions under section 4966?		9a				
b Did the sponsoring organization make a distribution to a donor, donor advisor, or related person?		9b				
10 Section 501(c)(7) organizations. Enter:						
a Initiation fees and capital contributions included on Part VIII, line 12		10a				
b Gross receipts, included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, for public use of club facilities		10b				
11 Section 501(c)(12) organizations. Enter:						
a Gross income from members or shareholders		11a				
b Gross income from other sources. (Do not net amounts due or paid to other sources against amounts due or received from them.)		11b				
12a Section 4947(a)(1) non-exempt charitable trusts. Is the organization filing Form 990 in lieu of Form 1041?		12a				
b 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.						
a 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				
b 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				
c 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	
b 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?		15			No	
16 Is the organization a trust that is not a charitable trust? If "Yes," complete Form 4720, Schedule N. Section 4968 excise tax on net investment income?		16			No	
17 Section 501(c)(21) organizations. Did the trust, or any disqualified or other person engage in any activities that would result in the imposition of an excise tax under section 4951, 4952, or 4953? . . . If "Yes," complete Form 6069.		17				

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

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Section A. Governing Body and Management

		Yes	No
1a	Enter the number of voting members of the governing body at the end of the tax year. If there are material differences in voting rights among members of the governing body, or if the governing body delegated broad authority to an executive committee or similar committee, explain in Schedule O.		
1b	Enter the number of voting members included in line 1a, above, who are independent		
2	Did any officer, director, trustee, or key employee have a family relationship or a business relationship with any other officer, director, trustee, or key employee?		No
3	Did the organization delegate control over management duties customarily performed by or under the direct supervision of officers, directors or trustees, or key employees to a management company or other person?		No
4	Did the organization make any significant changes to its governing documents since the prior Form 990 was filed?		No
5	Did the organization become aware during the year of a significant diversion of the organization's assets?		No
6	Did the organization have members or stockholders?	Yes	
7a	Did the organization have members, stockholders, or other persons who had the power to elect or appoint one or more members of the governing body?	Yes	
7b	Are any governance decisions of the organization reserved to (or subject to approval by) members, stockholders, or persons other than the governing body?	Yes	
8	Did the organization contemporaneously document the meetings held or written actions undertaken during the year by the following:		
8a	The governing body?	Yes	
8b	Each committee with authority to act on behalf of the governing body?	Yes	
9	Is there any officer, director, trustee, or key employee listed in Part VII, Section A, who cannot be reached at the organization's mailing address? If "Yes," provide the names and addresses in Schedule O		No

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

	Yes	No
10a	Did the organization have local chapters, branches, or affiliates?	No
10b	If "Yes," did the organization have written policies and procedures governing the activities of such chapters, affiliates, and branches to ensure their operations are consistent with the organization's exempt purposes?	
11a	Has the organization provided a complete copy of this Form 990 to all members of its governing body before filing the form?	No
	Describe on Schedule O the process, if any, used by the organization to review this Form 990.	
12a	Did the organization have a written conflict of interest policy? If "No," go to line 13	Yes
12b	Were officers, directors, or trustees, and key employees required to disclose annually interests that could give rise to conflicts?	Yes
12c	Did the organization regularly and consistently monitor and enforce compliance with the policy? If "Yes," describe on Schedule O how this was done	Yes
13	Did the organization have a written whistleblower policy?	Yes
14	Did the organization have a written document retention and destruction policy?	Yes
15	Did the process for determining compensation of the following persons include a review and approval by independent persons, comparability data, and contemporaneous substantiation of the deliberation and decision?	
15a	The organization's CEO, Executive Director, or top management official	Yes
15b	Other officers or key employees of the organization	No
	If "Yes" to line 15a or 15b, describe the process on Schedule O. See instructions.	
16a	Did the organization invest in, contribute assets to, or participate in a joint venture or similar arrangement with a taxable entity during the year?	No
16b	If "Yes," did the organization follow a written policy or procedure requiring the organization to evaluate its participation in joint venture arrangements under applicable federal tax law, and take steps to safeguard the organization's exempt status with respect to such arrangements?	

Section C. Disclosure

17 List the states with which a copy of this Form 990 is required to be filed

18 Section 6104 requires an organization to make its Form 1023 (1024 or 1024-A, if applicable), 990, and 990-T (section 501(c)(3)s only) available for public inspection. Indicate how you made these available. Check all that apply.

☐ Own website ☐ Another's website ☒ Upon request ☐ Other (explain in Schedule O)

19 Describe in Schedule O whether (and if so, how) the organization made its governing documents, conflict of interest policy, and financial statements available to the public during the tax year.

20 State the name, address, and telephone number of the person who possesses the organization's books and records:
THE ORGANIZATION 220 SOUTH 27TH STREET B BILLINGS,MT 59101 (406) 252-9672

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 the 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, box 6 of Form 1099-MISC, and/or box 1 of Form 1099-NEC) 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 the 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/1099-NEC) | (E)
Reportable compensation from related organizations (W-2/1099-MISC/1099-NEC) | (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) BOB LERESCHE
.....
DIRECTOR | 1.00
..... | X | | | | | | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| (2) PAULA ANTOINE
.....
CHAIR | 1.00
..... | X | | X | | | | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| (3) ROXA RELLER
.....
TREASURER | 1.00
..... | X | | X | | | | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| (4) LINDA WEISS
.....
SECRETARY | 1.00
.....
0.10 | X | | X | | | | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| (5) APRIL FAIRFIELD
.....
DIRECTOR | 1.00
..... | X | | | | | | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| (6) MARIE HOFF
.....
ALTERNATE | 1.00
..... | X | | | | | | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| (7) NANCY HARTENHOFF-CROOKS
.....
DIRECTOR | 1.00
.....
0.10 | X | | | | | | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| (8) MARIELENA VEGA
.....
DIRECTOR | 1.00
..... | X | | | | | | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| (9) DENA HOFF
.....
DIRECTOR | 1.00
.....
0.10 | X | | | | | | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| (10) WES DAVIS
.....
DIRECTOR | 1.00
..... | X | | | | | | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| (11) KIRSTIN CAVANAUGH
.....
DIRECTOR | 1.00
..... | X | | | | | | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| (12) MITCH WOLGAMOTT
.....
DIRECTOR | 1.00
..... | X | | | | | | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| (13) NORM CIMON
.....
DIRECTOR | 1.00
.....
0.10 | X | | | | | | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| (14) LYNNE HUSKINSON
.....
DIRECTOR | 1.00
.....
0.10 | X | | | | | | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| (15) BARBARA VASQUEZ
.....
VICE-CHAIR | 1.00
..... | X | | X | | | | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| (16) KEKEK STARK
.....
DIRECTOR | 1.00
..... | X | | | | | | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| (17) MONTANA WILSON
.....
DIRECTOR | 1.00
.....
0.10 | X | | | | | | 0 | 0 | 0 |
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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/1099-NEC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W-2/1099-MISC/1099-NEC)	(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) CARRIE SEYMOUR DIRECTOR	1.00 0.10	X						0	0	0
(19) BILL WELLMAN DIRECTOR	1.00	X						0	0	0
(20) SARA KENDALL EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR FORMER	38.00 2.00			X				114,818	0	4,924
(21) KERRI NELSON WOLENETZ FINANCE DIRECTOR	38.00 2.00			X				95,484	0	4,343
(22) DEBORAH LOVE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR	38.00 2.00			X				125,501	0	0

1b Sub-Total			
c Total from continuation sheets to Part VII, Section A . . .			
d Total (add lines 1b and 1c)	335,803	0	9,267

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 2

3 Did the organization list any **former** officer, director or trustee, key employee, or highest compensated employee on line 1a? *If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual*

3

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? *If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual*

4

Yes

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?*If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such person*

5

Yes

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

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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
Contributions, Gifts, Grants, and Other	1a	Federated campaigns	1a	
		Membership dues	1b77,984	
		Fundraising events	1c	
		Related organizations	1d2,949,164	
		Government grants (contributions)	1e	
		All other contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts not included above	1f3,662,416	
		Noncash contributions included in lines 1a - 1f:\$	1g	
		h Total. Add lines 1a-1f		6,689,564

Program Service Revenue	2a	FEES FOR SERVICE	Business Code				
			900099	237,246	237,246		
	b						
	c						
	d						
e							
f		All other program service revenue.					
g	Total.	Add lines 2a-2f.	237,246				

Other Revenue

3 Investment income (including dividends, interest, and other similar amounts)			14,541			14,541
4 Income from investment of tax-exempt bond proceeds						
5 Royalties						
			(i) Real	(ii) Personal		
6a	Gross rents	6a				
b	Less: rental expenses	6b				
c	Rental income or (loss)	6c				
d Net rental income or (loss)						
			(i) Securities	(ii) Other		
7a	Gross amount from sales of assets other than inventory	7a				
b	Less: cost or other basis and sales expenses	7b				
c	Gain or (loss)	7c				
d Net gain or (loss)						
8a	Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ _____ of contributions reported on line 1c). See Part IV, line 18	8a				
b	Less: direct expenses	8b				
c Net income or (loss) from fundraising events						
9a	Gross income from gaming activities. See Part IV, line 19	9a				
b	Less: direct expenses	9b				
c Net income or (loss) from gaming activities						
10a	Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances	10a				
b	Less: cost of goods sold	10b				
c Net income or (loss) from sales of inventory						

OtherRevenueMiscAmt	11a	OTHER INCOME	Business Code				
			900099	1,905			1,905
	b						
	c						
	d	All other revenue					
e	Total.	Add lines 11a-11d		1,905			
12	Total revenue.	See instructions		6,943,256	237,246	0	16,446

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	797,251	797,251		
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	347,126	308,943	6,942	31,241
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	2,012,157	1,790,820	40,243	181,094
8 Pension plan accruals and contributions (include section 401(k) and 403(b) employer contributions)	51,073	45,455	1,021	4,597
9 Other employee benefits	240,996	214,486	4,820	21,690
10 Payroll taxes	178,442	158,813	3,569	16,060
11 Fees for services (non-employees):				
a Management				
b Legal	19,153	17,046	383	1,724
c Accounting	263	234	5	24
d Lobbying	305	271	7	27
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)	1,253,298	1,115,435	25,066	112,797
12 Advertising and promotion	1,070,967	953,161	21,419	96,387
13 Office expenses	57,558	51,227	1,151	5,180
14 Information technology	98,215	87,411	1,964	8,840
15 Royalties				
16 Occupancy	126,272	112,382	2,525	11,365
17 Travel	723,859	644,235	14,477	65,147
18 Payments of travel or entertainment expenses for any federal, state, or local public officials				
19 Conferences, conventions, and meetings				
20 Interest	154	137	3	14
21 Payments to affiliates				
22 Depreciation, depletion, and amortization	33,931	30,199	679	3,053
23 Insurance	94,086	83,736	1,882	8,468
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 MISCELLANEOUS	605	538	12	55
b GRANT DISTRIBUTIONS	0	-87,698	15,945	71,753
c				
d				
e All other expenses				
25 Total functional expenses. Add lines 1 through 24e	7,105,711	6,324,082	142,113	639,516
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 ☐ 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

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				(A)		(B)	
				Beginning of year		End of year	
Assets	1	Cash—non-interest-bearing		199,374	1	531,916	
	2	Savings and temporary cash investments		685,995	2	784,370	
	3	Pledges and grants receivable, net			3		
	4	Accounts receivable, net		93,528	4	69,844	
	5	Loans and other receivables from 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			5		
	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)			6		
	7	Notes and loans receivable, net			7		
	8	Inventories for sale or use			8		
	9	Prepaid expenses and deferred charges		12,123	9	16,533	
	10a	Land, buildings, and equipment: cost or other basis. Complete Part VI of Schedule D	10a	841,664			
	b	Less: accumulated depreciation	10b	362,370	448,380	10c	479,294
	11	Investments—publicly traded securities			11		
	12	Investments—other securities. See Part IV, line 11			12		
	13	Investments—program-related. See Part IV, line 11			13		
	14	Intangible assets			14		
	15	Other assets. See Part IV, line 11		0	15	30,860	
16	Total assets. Add lines 1 through 15 (must equal line 33)		1,439,400	16	1,912,817		
Liabilities	17	Accounts payable and accrued expenses		74,289	17	640,527	
	18	Grants payable			18		
	19	Deferred revenue			19		
	20	Tax-exempt bond liabilities			20		
	21	Escrow or custodial account liability. Complete Part IV of Schedule D			21		
	22	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			22		
	23	Secured mortgages and notes payable to unrelated third parties			23		
	24	Unsecured notes and loans payable to unrelated third parties			24		
	25	Other liabilities (including federal income tax, payables to related third parties, and other liabilities not included on lines 17 - 24). Complete Part X of Schedule D		52,884	25	122,518	
	26	Total liabilities. Add lines 17 through 25		127,173	26	763,045	
Net Assets or Fund Balances	Organizations that follow FASB ASC 958, check here ☒ and complete lines 27, 28, 32, and 33.						
	27	Net assets without donor restrictions		904,513	27	678,744	
	28	Net assets with donor restrictions		407,714	28	471,028	
	Organizations that do not follow FASB ASC 958, check here ☐ 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		1,312,227	32	1,149,772	
	33	Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances		1,439,400	33	1,912,817	

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	6,943,256
2	Total expenses (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	2	7,105,711
3	Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 2 from line 1	3	-162,455
4	Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (must equal Part X, line 32, column (A))	4	1,312,227
5	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	5	
6	Donated services and use of facilities	6	
7	Investment expenses	7	
8	Prior period adjustments	8	
9	Other changes in net assets or fund balances (explain in Schedule O)	9	0
10	Net assets or fund balances at end of year. Combine lines 3 through 9 (must equal Part X, line 32, column (A))	10	1,149,772

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: ☐ Cash ☒ Accrual ☐ Other _____ If the organization changed its method of accounting from a prior year or checked "Other," explain on 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: ☐ Separate basis ☐ Consolidated basis ☐ 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: ☒ Separate basis ☐ Consolidated basis ☐ Both consolidated and separate basis	Yes	
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.	Yes	
3a As a result of a federal award, was the organization required to undergo an audit or audits as set forth in the Uniform Guidance, 2 C.F.R. Part 200, Subpart F?		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.		

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Schedule B (Form 990) (Rev. January 2025) Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service	Schedule of Contributors ▶ Attach to Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF. ▶ Go to www.irs.gov/Form990 for the latest information.	OMB No. 1545-0047
Name of the organization WESTERN ORGANIZATION OF RESOURCE COUNCILS		Employer identification number 45-0356819

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 33¹/₃% 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).

Name of organization WESTERN ORGANIZATION OF RESOURCE COUNCILS	Employer identification number 45-0356819
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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	☐ Person
			☐ Payroll
			☐ Noncash (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
(a) No.	(b) Name, address, and ZIP + 4	(c) Total contributions	(d) Type of contribution
-		\$	☐ Person
			☐ Payroll
			☐ Noncash (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
(a) No.	(b) Name, address, and ZIP + 4	(c) Total contributions	(d) Type of contribution
-		\$	☐ Person
			☐ Payroll
			☐ Noncash (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
(a) No.	(b) Name, address, and ZIP + 4	(c) Total contributions	(d) Type of contribution
-		\$	☐ Person
			☐ Payroll
			☐ Noncash (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
(a) No.	(b) Name, address, and ZIP + 4	(c) Total contributions	(d) Type of contribution
-		\$	☐ Person
			☐ Payroll
			☐ Noncash (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
(a) No.	(b) Name, address, and ZIP + 4	(c) Total contributions	(d) Type of contribution
-		\$	☐ Person
			☐ Payroll
			☐ Noncash (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
(a) No.	(b) Name, address, and ZIP + 4	(c) Total contributions	(d) Type of contribution
-		\$	☐ Person
			☐ Payroll
			☐ 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
-		\$	
(a) No. from Part I	(b) Description of noncash property given	(c) FMV (or estimate) (See instructions)	(d) Date received
-		\$	
(a) No. from Part I	(b) Description of noncash property given	(c) FMV (or estimate) (See instructions)	(d) Date received
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-		\$	
(a) No. from Part I	(b) Description of noncash property given	(c) FMV (or estimate) (See instructions)	(d) Date received
-		\$	
(a) No. from Part I	(b) Description of noncash property given	(c) FMV (or estimate) (See instructions)	(d) Date received
-		\$	

Name of organization WESTERN ORGANIZATION OF RESOURCE COUNCILS	Employer identification number 45-0356819
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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	
	(e) Transfer of gift		
	Transferee's name, address, and ZIP 4	Relationship of transferor to transferee	
	(e) Transfer of gift		
	Transferee's name, address, and ZIP 4	Relationship of transferor to transferee	
	(e) Transfer of gift		
	Transferee's name, address, and ZIP 4	Relationship of transferor to transferee	
	(e) Transfer of gift		
	Transferee's name, address, and ZIP 4	Relationship of transferor to transferee	

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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.

	(a) Donor advised funds	(b) Funds and other accounts
1 Total number at end of year		
2 Aggregate value of contributions to (during year)		
3 Aggregate value of grants from (during year)		
4 Aggregate value at end of year		

5 Did the organization inform all donors and donor advisors in writing that the assets held in donor advised funds are the organization's property, subject to the organization's exclusive legal control?

☐ Yes ☐ No

6 Did the organization inform all grantees, donors, and donor advisors in writing that grant funds can be used only for charitable purposes and not for the benefit of the donor or donor advisor, or for any other purpose conferring impermissible private benefit?

☐ Yes ☐ No

Part II

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

1 Purpose(s) of conservation easements held by the organization (check all that apply).
☐ Preservation of land for public use (e.g., recreation or education) ☐ Preservation of an historically important land area
☐ Protection of natural habitat ☐ Preservation of a certified historic structure
☐ Preservation of open space

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

	Held at the End of the Year
a Total number of conservation easements	2a
b Total acreage restricted by conservation easements	2b
c Number of conservation easements on a certified historic structure included in (a)	2c
d Number of conservation easements included in (c) acquired after July 25, 2006, and not on a historic structure listed in the National Register	2d

3 Number of conservation easements modified, transferred, released, extinguished, or terminated by the organization during the tax year ▶ _____

4 Number of states where property subject to conservation easement is located ▶ _____

5 Does the organization have a written policy regarding the periodic monitoring, inspection, handling of violations, and enforcement of the conservation easements it holds? ☐ Yes ☐ No

6 Staff and volunteer hours devoted to monitoring, inspecting, handling of violations, and enforcing conservation easements during the year
▶ _____

7 Amount of expenses incurred in monitoring, inspecting, handling of violations, and enforcing conservation easements during the year
▶ \$ _____

8 Does each conservation easement reported on line 2(d) above satisfy the requirements of section 170(h)(4)(B)(i) and section 170(h)(4)(B)(ii)? ☐ Yes ☐ No

9 In Part XIII, describe how the organization reports conservation easements in its revenue and expense statement, and balance sheet, and include, if applicable, the text of the footnote to the organization's financial statements that describes the organization's accounting for conservation easements.

Part III

Organizations Maintaining Collections of Art, Historical Treasures, or Other Similar Assets.
Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 8.

1a If the organization elected, as permitted under FASB ASC 958, not to report in its revenue statement and balance sheet works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets held for public exhibition, education, or research in furtherance of public service, provide, in Part XIII, the text of the footnote to its financial statements that describes these items.

b If the organization elected, as permitted under FASB ASC 958, to report in its revenue statement and balance sheet works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets held for public exhibition, education, or research in furtherance of public service, provide the following amounts relating to these items:
(i) Revenue included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 1 ▶ \$ _____
(ii) Assets included in Form 990, Part X ▶ \$ _____

2 If the organization received or held works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets for financial gain, provide the following amounts required to be reported under FASB ASC 958 relating to these items:
a Revenue included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 1 ▶ \$ _____
b Assets included in Form 990, Part X ▶ \$ _____

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:

c

Beginning balance

d

Additions during the year

e

Distributions during the year

f

Ending balance

	Amount
1c	
1d	
1e	
1f	

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
1a Beginning of year balance					
b Contributions					
c Net investment earnings, gains, and losses					
d Grants or scholarships					
e Other expenditures for facilities and programs					
f Administrative expenses					
g End of year balance					

2

Provide the estimated percentage of the current year end balance (line 1g, column (a)) held as:

a

Board designated or quasi-endowment ▶

b

Permanent endowment ▶

c

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

b

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

	Yes	No
3a(i)		
3a(ii)		
3b		

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
1a Land		13,318		13,318
b Buildings		769,356	350,572	418,784
c Leasehold improvements				
d Equipment		58,990	11,798	47,192
e Other				
Total. Add lines 1a through 1e. (Column (d) must equal Form 990, Part X, column (B), line 10(c).) . . . ▶				479,294

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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 _____		
(A)		
(B)		
(C)		
(D)		
(E)		
(F)		
(G)		
(H)		
Total. (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
(1)		
(2)		
(3)		
(4)		
(5)		
(6)		
(7)		
(8)		
(9)		
Total. (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)	
(2)	
(3)	
(4)	
(5)	
(6)	
(7)	
(8)	
(9)	
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col.(B) line 15.) ▶	

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	
GROUP BENEFIT LIABILITIES	5,887
CURRENT PORTION COMPENSATED ABSENCES	42,886
COMPENSATED ABSENCES	42,885
SHORT TERM LEASE LIABILITY	11,299
LONG TERM LEASE LIABILITY	19,561
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col.(B) line 25.) ▶	122,518
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 ☐	

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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.

1	Total revenue, gains, and other support per audited financial statements		1	6,943,256
2	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12:			
a	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	2a		
b	Donated services and use of facilities	2b		
c	Recoveries of prior year grants	2c		
d	Other (Describe in Part XIII.)	2d		
e	Add lines 2a through 2d		2e	0
3	Subtract line 2e from line 1		3	6,943,256
4	Amounts included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, but not on line 1 :			
a	Investment expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b	4a		
b	Other (Describe in Part XIII.)	4b		
c	Add lines 4a and 4b		4c	0
5	Total revenue. Add lines 3 and 4c . (This must equal Form 990, Part I, line 12.)		5	6,943,256

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.

1	Total expenses and losses per audited financial statements		1	7,105,711
2	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part IX, line 25:			
a	Donated services and use of facilities	2a		
b	Prior year adjustments	2b		
c	Other losses	2c		
d	Other (Describe in Part XIII.)	2d		
e	Add lines 2a through 2d		2e	0
3	Subtract line 2e from line 1		3	7,105,711
4	Amounts included on Form 990, Part IX, line 25, but not on line 1 :			
a	Investment expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b	4a		
b	Other (Describe in Part XIII.)	4b		
c	Add lines 4a and 4b		4c	0
5	Total expenses. Add lines 3 and 4c . (This must equal Form 990, Part I, line 18.)		5	7,105,711

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.

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Schedule I
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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 instructions and the latest information.

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WESTERN ORGANIZATION OF RESOURCE
COUNCILS

Employer identification number
45-0356819

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) MT RURAL VOTERS ACTION PO BOX 202 BILLINGS, MT 59103	81-1086593	501(C)(4)	11,000	0			GENERAL SUPPORT
(2) A BETTER BIG SKY PO BOX 7134 MISSOULA, MT 59807	82-5313159	501(C)(4)	460,000	0			GENERAL SUPPORT
(3) BIG SKY FIFTY FIVE PLUS PO BOX 1663 HELENA, MT 59624	82-4712803	501(C)(4)	10,000	0			GENERAL SUPPORT
(4) DAKOTA RURAL ACTION 910 4TH STREET A BROOKINGS, SD 57006	46-0398656	501(C)(3)	35,000	0			CAMPAIGNS
(5) DAKOTA RESOURCE COUNCIL 1720 BURNT BOAT DRIVE SUITE 204 BISMARCK, ND 58503	45-0363903	501(C)(3)	6,250	0			CAMPAIGNS
(6) FORWARD MONTANA PO BOX 2817 MISSOULA, MT 59801	26-2075145	501(C)(3)	15,000	0			GENERAL SUPPORT
(7) MONTANA CONSERVATION VOTERS PO BOX 1814 BILLINGS, MT 59103	81-0525336	501(C)(3)	30,000	0			GENERAL SUPPORT
(8) MONTANA FEDERATION OF PUBLIC EMPLOYEES FOUNDATION 1232 E 6TH STREET HELENA, MT 59601	87-3520233	501(C)(3)	16,000	0			GENERAL SUPPORT
(9) PLANNED PARENTHOOD OF MONTANA 1116 GRAND AVE STE 201 BILLINGS, MT 59102	81-0307201	501(C)(3)	15,000	0			GENERAL SUPPORT
(10) WESTERN COLORADO ALLIANCE PO BOX 1931 GRAND JUNCTION, CO 81502	84-0837218	501(C)(3)	50,000	0			VOTER PROJECTS
(11) WESTERN NATIVE VOICE 80 25TH ST W BILLINGS, MT 59101	45-3771715	501(C)(3)	105,000	0			GENERAL SUPPORT
(12) WILD MONTANA ACTION FUND PO BOX 6371 HELENA, MT 59604	84-3554059	501(C)(4)	28,500	0			GENERAL SUPPORT

2

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

9

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.
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FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION A, LINE 6	WORC IS A REGIONAL NETWORK OF EIGHT GRASSROOTS COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS ACROSS SEVEN WESTERN STATES THAT INCLUDES APPROXIMATELY 20,000 MEMBERS. A 16-MEMBER BOARD OF DIRECTORS GOVERNS WORC. EACH MEMBER GROUP ELECTS TWO REPRESENTATIVES TO THE WORC BOARD OF DIRECTORS.
FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION A, LINE 7A	WORC IS A REGIONAL NETWORK OF EIGHT GRASSROOTS COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS ACROSS SEVEN WESTERN STATES THAT INCLUDES APPROXIMATELY 20,000 MEMBERS. A 16-MEMBER BOARD OF DIRECTORS GOVERNS WORC. EACH MEMBER GROUP ELECTS TWO REPRESENTATIVES TO THE WORC BOARD OF DIRECTORS.
FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION A, LINE 7B	ALTHOUGH ALL DECISIONS OF THE BOARD ARE NOT SUBJECT TO APPROVAL BY MEMEBERS, ALL ISSUES PERTAINING TO POLICY AND POLICY CHANGES MUST BE APPROVED BY MEMBERS
FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION B, LINE 11B	AUTHORIZED OFFICERS, BOARD MEMBERS, COMPTROLLER, AND ADDITIONAL STAFF WORK WITH LEGAL COUNSEL TO REVIEW THE FORM 990
FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION B, LINE 12C	THE CONFLICT OF INTEREST POLICY REQUIRES EACH DIRECTOR, OFFICER, AND KEY EMPLOYEE TO DISCLOSE ANNUALLY ANY FINANCIAL INTERESTS THAT COULD GIVE RISE TO A CONFLICT OF INTEREST. THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS, OR A COMMITTEE OF THE BOARD, DETERMINES WHETHER ANY PROPOSED TRANSACTION CREATES A CONFLICT OF INTEREST, AND IF SO, REVIEWS THE TRANSACTION. ANY PERSON WITH A CONFLICT OF INTEREST MAY ANSWER QUESTIONS AND PROVIDE INFORMATION TO THE BOARD OR COMMITTEE, BUT MAY NOT PARTICIPATE IN THE BOARD'S OR COMMITTEE'S DELIBERATION ABOUT OR VOTE ON THE PROPOSED TRANSACTIONS.
FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION B, LINE 15A	THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS REVIEWS AND APPROVES ALL SALARIES
FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION C, LINE 19	THE ORGANIZATION RESPONDS TO INFORMATION REQUESTS IN FULL COMPLIANCE WITH FEDERAL AND STATE LAWS.
FORM 990, PART IX, LINE 11G	PROFESSIONAL FEES: PROGRAM SERVICE EXPENSES 1,115,435. MANAGEMENT AND GENERAL EXPENSES 25,066. FUNDRAISING EXPENSES 112,797. TOTAL EXPENSES 1,253,298.

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SCHEDULE R
(Form 990)
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Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Related Organizations and Unrelated Partnerships

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 33, 34, 35b, 36, or 37.
Attach to Form 990.

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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)WORC EDUCATION PROJECT 220 S 27TH STREET BILLINGS, MT 59101 84-1123481	EDUCATION	MT	501(C)(3)	LINE 12A, I	WORC	Yes	
(2)NORTHERN PLAINS RESOURCE COUNCIL 220 S 27TH STREET BILLINGS, MT 59101 81-0367205	ENVIRONMENTAL DEVELOPMENT	MT	501(C)(3)		NORTHERN PLAINS RESOURCE COUNCIL		No

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) Disproprrtionate 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.

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

b Gift, grant, or capital contribution to related organization(s)

c Gift, grant, or capital contribution from related organization(s)

d Loans or loan guarantees to or for related organization(s)

e Loans or loan guarantees by related organization(s)

f Dividends from related organization(s)

g Sale of assets to related organization(s)

h Purchase of assets from related organization(s)

i Exchange of assets with related organization(s)

j Lease of facilities, equipment, or other assets to related organization(s)

k Lease of facilities, equipment, or other assets from related organization(s)

l Performance of services or membership or fundraising solicitations for related organization(s)

m Performance of services or membership or fundraising solicitations by related organization(s)

n Sharing of facilities, equipment, mailing lists, or other assets with related organization(s)

o Sharing of paid employees with related organization(s)

p Reimbursement paid to related organization(s) for expenses

q Reimbursement paid by related organization(s) for expenses

r Other transfer of cash or property to related organization(s)

s Other transfer of cash or property from related organization(s)

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.

	Yes	No
1a		No
1b		No
1c	Yes	
1d		No
1e		No
1f		No
1g		No
1h		No
1i		No
1j		No
1k		No
1l		No
1m		No
1n	Yes	
1o	Yes	
1p		No
1q		No
1r		No
1s		No

(a) Name of related organization	(b) Transaction type (a-s)	(c) Amount involved	(d) Method of determining amount involved
(1)WORC EDUCATION PROJECT	N	41,336	FMV
(2)WORC EDUCATION PROJECT	B	2,949,164	CASH
(3)NORTHERN PLAINS RESOURCE COUNCIL	N	66,000	CASH

Provide the following information for each entity taxed as a partnership through which the organization conducted more than five percent of its activities (measured by total assets or gross revenue) that was not a related organization. See instructions regarding exclusion for certain investment partnerships.

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Part VII **Supplemental Information**

Provide additional information for responses to questions on Schedule R. See instructions.

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