

990

Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

OMB No. 1545-

0047 2023

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Under section 501(c), 527, or 4947(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code (except private foundations)

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Form

Department of the Treasury

Internal Revenue Service

For the 2023 calendar year, or tax year beginning 09-01-2023, and ending 08-31-2024

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

C Name of organization: Climate Defense Project. Doing business as. Number and street (or P.O. box if mail is not delivered to street address): 1968 S Coast Hwy 496. Room/suite. City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code: Laguna Beach, CA 92651

D Employer identification number: 81-3513347. E Telephone number: (781) 956-0709. G Gross receipts \$ 716,094

F Name and address of principal officer: Alexander Marquardt, 1968 S Coast Hwy 496, Laguna Beach, CA 926513681

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

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

J Website: www.climatedefenseproject.org

K Form of organization: Corporation, Trust, Association, Other

L Year of formation: 2016. M State of legal domicile: CA

Part I Summary

1 Briefly describe the organization's mission or most significant activities: Climate Defense Project (CDP) offers free, comprehensive, movement-aligned legal support to climate justice and anti-extractive campaigns, and to community-led efforts that intersect with these issues.

Table with 2 columns: Description and Amount. Rows 2-7b: 2 Check this box, 3 Number of voting members (6), 4 Number of independent voting members (4), 5 Total number of individuals employed (5), 6 Total number of volunteers (4), 7a Total unrelated business revenue (0), 7b Net unrelated business taxable income.

Table with 3 columns: Description, Prior Year, Current Year. Rows 8-12: 8 Contributions and grants (273,699 / 716,094), 9 Program service revenue (0 / 0), 10 Investment income (0 / 0), 11 Other revenue (11 / 0), 12 Total revenue (273,710 / 716,094)

Table with 3 columns: Description, Prior Year, Current Year. Rows 13-19: 13 Grants and similar amounts paid (0 / 0), 14 Benefits paid to or for members (0 / 0), 15 Salaries, other compensation, employee benefits (181,598 / 355,578), 16a Professional fundraising fees (0 / 0), 16b Total fundraising expenses (35,597 / 35,597), 17 Other expenses (24,640 / 38,158), 18 Total expenses (206,238 / 393,736), 19 Revenue less expenses (67,472 / 322,358)

Table with 3 columns: Description, Beginning of Current Year, End of Year. Rows 20-22: 20 Total assets (271,928 / 594,035), 21 Total liabilities (220 / -31), 22 Net assets or fund balances (271,708 / 594,066)

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.

Sign Here: Signature of officer Joseph Hamilton, Treasurer. Date 2025-07-10. Paid Preparer Use Only: Print/Type preparer's name, Preparer's signature, Date, Check if self-employed, PTIN P03097587, Firm's name Shining Star Consulting LLC, Firm's EIN 46-0796445, Firm's address 1831 Solano Ave Unit 8058, Berkeley, CA 94707, Phone no. (510) 999-6712

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

Part III Statement of Program Service Accomplishments

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

1 Briefly describe the organization's mission:

Climate Defense Project (CDP) offers free, comprehensive, movement-aligned legal support to climate justice and anti-extractive campaigns, and to community-led efforts that intersect with these issues. We support front-line communities, connect attorneys with experts and community members, and provide direct representation to people engaged in civil disobedience, direct action, and other forms of nonviolence.

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 \$ **258,453** including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)

Climate Defense Project assisted approximately 10 attorneys and 12 social justice campaigns, along with dozens of individual activists, engaged in litigation, legal defense, and protest to effect policy reform. This assistance took the form of meeting with clients, organizers, other attorneys, and expert witnesses; appearing at trials, hearings, depositions, and site visits; conducting legal research; writing legal documents; supervising interns; and providing trainings on law- and organizing-related subjects. Particular focuses of this work were environmental justice campaigns in Minnesota and Appalachia, student activist campaigns in New Hampshire and elsewhere, and work on behalf of unhoused populations in Minnesota.

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** **258,453**

Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules

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

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

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

Table with 17 main rows (2a-17) and sub-rows (a-e) for various questions. Includes input fields for numbers and checkboxes for Yes/No. Questions cover topics like federal employment tax returns, unrelated business gross income, foreign country interests, prohibited tax shelter transactions, and various organizational requirements.

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 (6), 1b (4), 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7a, 7b, 8, 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, 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 C A
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.
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: Joseph Hamilton 139 North 4th Street Lewisburg, PA 17837 (781) 956-0709

Part VIII Statement of Revenue

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

Table with 5 columns: (A) Total revenue, (B) Related or exempt function revenue, (C) Unrelated business revenue, (D) Revenue excluded from tax under sections 512 - 514. Rows include Contributions, Gifts, Grants, and Other Amt Similar Amounts, and Federated campaigns, Membership dues, Fundraising events, etc.

Table for Program Service Revenue with columns for Business Code and revenue amounts. Rows include lines 2a through 2f and a total line 2g.

Table for Other Revenue with multiple sub-sections (3-10) including Investment income, Royalties, Rental income, Net gain or loss, and Net income from fundraising events, gaming activities, and sales of inventory.

Table for Other Revenue Misc Amt with columns for Business Code and revenue amounts. Rows include lines 11a through 11d and a total line 12.

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 | 0 | | | |
| 2 Grants and other assistance to domestic individuals. See Part IV, line 22 | 0 | | | |
| 3 Grants and other assistance to foreign organizations, foreign governments, and foreign individuals. See Part IV, lines 15 and 16. | 0 | | | |
| 4 Benefits paid to or for members | 0 | | | |
| 5 Compensation of current officers, directors, trustees, and key employees | 135,749 | 33,150 | 78,524 | 24,075 |
| 6 Compensation not included above, to disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)) and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B) | 0 | | | |
| 7 Other salaries and wages | 192,907 | 184,116 | | 8,791 |
| 8 Pension plan accruals and contributions (include section 401(k) and 403(b) employer contributions) | 0 | | | |
| 9 Other employee benefits | 0 | | | |
| 10 Payroll taxes | 26,922 | 21,538 | 2,692 | 2,692 |
| 11 Fees for services (non-employees): | | | | |
| a Management | 0 | | | |
| b Legal | 9,789 | | 9,789 | |
| c Accounting | 0 | | | |
| d Lobbying | 0 | | | |
| e Professional fundraising services. See Part IV, line 17 | 0 | | | |
| f Investment management fees | 0 | | | |
| g Other (If line 11g amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A) amount, list line 11g expenses on Schedule O) | 6,774 | 6,133 | 641 | |
| 12 Advertising and promotion | 200 | 150 | 50 | |
| 13 Office expenses | 10,626 | 6,663 | 3,924 | 39 |
| 14 Information technology | 3,076 | 928 | 2,148 | |
| 15 Royalties | 0 | | | |
| 16 Occupancy | 0 | | | |
| 17 Travel | 6,312 | 5,775 | 537 | |
| 18 Payments of travel or entertainment expenses for any federal, state, or local public officials | 0 | | | |
| 19 Conferences, conventions, and meetings | 0 | | | |
| 20 Interest | 0 | | | |
| 21 Payments to affiliates | 0 | | | |
| 22 Depreciation, depletion, and amortization | 0 | | | |
| 23 Insurance | 1,381 | | 1,381 | |
| 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 | | | | |
| b | | | | |
| c | | | | |
| d | | | | |
| e All other expenses | 0 | | | |
| 25 Total functional expenses. Add lines 1 through 24e | 393,736 | 258,453 | 99,686 | 35,597 |
| 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 | 271,928 | 1 | 594,035 |
| | 2 Savings and temporary cash investments | | 2 | 0 |
| | 3 Pledges and grants receivable, net | | 3 | 0 |
| | 4 Accounts receivable, net | | 4 | 0 |
| | 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 | 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) | | 6 | 0 |
| | 7 Notes and loans receivable, net | | 7 | 0 |
| | 8 Inventories for sale or use | | 8 | 0 |
| | 9 Prepaid expenses and deferred charges | | 9 | 0 |
| | 10a Land, buildings, and equipment: cost or other basis. Complete Part VI of Schedule D 10a | | | |
| | b Less: accumulated depreciation 10b | | 10c | 0 |
| | 11 Investments—publicly traded securities | | 11 | 0 |
| | 12 Investments—other securities. See Part IV, line 11 | | 12 | 0 |
| | 13 Investments—program-related. See Part IV, line 11 | | 13 | 0 |
| | 14 Intangible assets | | 14 | 0 |
| | 15 Other assets. See Part IV, line 11 | | 15 | 0 |
| 16 Total assets: Add lines 1 through 15 (must equal line 33) | 271,928 | 16 | 594,035 | |
| Liabilities | 17 Accounts payable and accrued expenses | 220 | 17 | 461 |
| | 18 Grants payable | | 18 | |
| | 19 Deferred revenue | | 19 | -492 |
| | 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 | | 25 | |
| | 26 Total liabilities. Add lines 17 through 25 | 220 | 26 | -31 |
| Net Assets or Fund Balances | 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 | 271,708 | 27 | 594,066 |
| | 28 Net assets with donor restrictions | | 28 | |
| | 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 | 271,708 | 32 | 594,066 |
| | 33 Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances | 271,928 | 33 | 594,035 |

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 | 716,094 |
| 2 | Total expenses (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25) | 2 | 393,736 |
| 3 | Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 2 from line 1 | 3 | 322,358 |
| 4 | Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (must equal Part X, line 32, column (A)) | 4 | 271,708 |
| 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 | |
| 10 | Net assets or fund balances at end of year. Combine lines 3 through 9 (must equal Part X, line 32, column (A)) | 10 | 594,066 |

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 type="checkbox"/> Cash <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Accrual <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ If the organization changed its method of accounting from a prior year or checked "Other," explain 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: <input type="checkbox"/> Separate basis <input type="checkbox"/> Consolidated basis <input type="checkbox"/> Both consolidated and separate basis | | No |
| 2b | Were the organization's financial statements audited by an independent accountant? If 'Yes,' check a box below to indicate whether the financial statements for the year were audited on a separate basis, consolidated basis, or both: <input type="checkbox"/> Separate basis <input type="checkbox"/> Consolidated basis <input type="checkbox"/> Both consolidated and separate basis | | No |
| 2c | If "Yes," to line 2a or 2b, does the organization have a committee that assumes responsibility for oversight of the audit, review, or compilation of its financial statements and selection of an independent accountant? If the organization changed either its oversight process or selection process during the tax year, explain in Schedule O. | | |
| 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 |
| 3b | If "Yes," did the organization undergo the required audit or audits? If the organization did not undergo the required audit or audits, explain why in Schedule O and describe any steps taken to undergo such audits. | | |

Additional Data

Return to Form

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Form 990, Special Condition Description:

Special Condition Description

Public Charity Status and Public Support

Complete if the organization is a section 501(c)(3) organization or a section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust.
 Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ.
 Go to www.irs.gov/Form990 for instructions and the latest information.

Name of the organization
Climate Defense Project

Employer identification number
81-3513347

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

The organization is not a private foundation because it is: (For lines 1 through 12, check only one box.)

- 1 A church, convention of churches, or association of churches described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(i)**.
- 2 A school described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)**. (Attach Schedule E (Form 990).)
- 3 A hospital or a cooperative hospital service organization described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii)**.
- 4 A medical research organization operated in conjunction with a hospital described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii)**. Enter the hospital's name, city, and state:

- 5 An organization operated for the benefit of a college or university owned or operated by a governmental unit described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iv)**. (Complete Part II.)
- 6 A federal, state, or local government or governmental unit described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(v)**.
- 7 An organization that normally receives a substantial part of its support from a governmental unit or from the general public described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi)**. (Complete Part II.)
- 8 A community trust described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi)**. (Complete Part II.)
- 9 An agricultural research organization described in **170(b)(1)(A)(ix)** operated in conjunction with a land-grant college or university or a non-land grant college of agriculture. See instructions. Enter the name, city, and state of the college or university:
- 10 An organization that normally receives: (1) more than 33 1/3% of its support from contributions, membership fees, and gross receipts from activities related to its exempt functions—subject to certain exceptions, and (2) no more than 33 1/3% of its support from gross investment income and unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 tax) from businesses acquired by the organization after June 30, 1975. See **section 509(a)(2)**. (Complete Part III.)
- 11 An organization organized and operated exclusively to test for public safety. See **section 509(a)(4)**.
- 12 An organization organized and operated exclusively for the benefit of, to perform the functions of, or to carry out the purposes of one or more publicly supported organizations described in **section 509(a)(1)** or **section 509(a)(2)**. See **section 509(a)(3)**. Check the box on lines 12a through 12d that describes the type of supporting organization and complete lines 12e, 12f, and 12g.
 - a **Type I.** A supporting organization operated, supervised, or controlled by its supported organization(s), typically by giving the supported organization(s) the power to regularly appoint or elect a majority of the directors or trustees of the supporting organization. **You must complete Part IV, Sections A and B.**
 - b **Type II.** A supporting organization supervised or controlled in connection with its supported organization(s), by having control or management of the supporting organization vested in the same persons that control or manage the supported organization(s). **You must complete Part IV, Sections A and C.**
 - c **Type III functionally integrated.** A supporting organization operated in connection with, and functionally integrated with, its supported organization(s) (see instructions). **You must complete Part IV, Sections A, D, and E.**
 - d **Type III non-functionally integrated.** A supporting organization operated in connection with its supported organization(s) that is not functionally integrated. The organization generally must satisfy a distribution requirement and an attentiveness requirement (see instructions). **You must complete Part IV, Sections A and D, and Part V.**
 - e Check this box if the organization received a written determination from the IRS that it is a Type I, Type II, Type III functionally integrated, or Type III non-functionally integrated supporting organization.
 - f Enter the number of supported organizations _____
 - g Provide the following information about the supported organization(s).

| (i) Name of supported organization | (ii) EIN | (iii) Type of organization (described on lines 1- 10 above (see instructions)) | (iv) Is the organization listed in your governing document? | | (v) Amount of monetary support (see instructions) | (vi) Amount of other support (see instructions) |
|------------------------------------|----------|--|---|----|---|---|
| | | | Yes | No | | |
| | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | |
| Total | | | | | | |

Part II Support Schedule for Organizations Described in Sections 170(b)(1)(A)(iv) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi)
 (Complete only if you checked the box on line 5, 7, or 8 of Part I or if the organization failed to qualify under Part III. If the organization failed to qualify under the tests listed below, please complete Part III.)

Section A. Public Support

| Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ► | (a) 2018 | (b) 2019 | (c) 2020 | (d) 2021 | (e) 2022 | (f) Total |
|--|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|-----------|
| 1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received. (Do not include any "unusual grant.") . . . | 108,863 | 119,391 | 320,750 | 273,699 | 716,094 | 1,538,797 |
| 2 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf | | | | | | 0 |
| 3 The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge.. | | | | | | 0 |
| 4 Total. Add lines 1 through 3 | 108,863 | 119,391 | 320,750 | 273,699 | 716,094 | 1,538,797 |
| 5 The portion of total contributions by each person (other than a governmental unit or publicly supported organization) included on line 1 that exceeds 2% of the amount shown on line 11, column (f) | | | | | | 400,987 |
| 6 Public support. Subtract line 5 from line 4. | | | | | | 1,137,810 |

Section B. Total Support

| Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ► | (a) 2018 | (b) 2019 | (c) 2020 | (d) 2021 | (e) 2022 | (f) Total |
|---|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|-----------|
| 7 Amounts from line 4. | 108,863 | 119,391 | 320,750 | 273,699 | 716,094 | 1,538,797 |
| 8 Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources | | | | | | 0 |
| 9 Net income from unrelated business activities, whether or not the business is regularly carried on | | | | | | 0 |
| 10 Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part VI.) | | | | 11 | | 11 |
| 11 Total support. Add lines 7 through 10 | | | | | | 1,538,808 |

12 Gross receipts from related activities, etc. (see instructions) **12** _____

13 First 5 years. If the Form 990 is for the organization's first, second, third, fourth, or fifth tax year as a section 501(c)(3) organization, check this box and **stop here**

Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage

14 Public support percentage for 2023 (line 6, column (f) divided by line 11, column (f)) **14** 73.940 %

15 Public support percentage for 2022 Schedule A, Part II, line 14 **15** 49.620 %

16a 33 1/3% support test—2023. If the organization did not check the box on line 13, and line 14 is 33 1/3% or more, check this box and **stop here.** The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization

b 33 1/3% support test—2022. If the organization did not check a box on line 13 or 16a, and line 15 is 33 1/3% or more, check this box and **stop here.** The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization

17a 10%-facts-and-circumstances test—2023. If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, or 16b, and line 14 is 10% or more, and if the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test, check this box and **stop here.** Explain in Part VI how the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization

b 10%-facts-and-circumstances test—2022. If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, 16b, or 17a, and line 15 is 10% or more, and if the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test, check this box and **stop here.** Explain in Part VI how the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization

18 Private foundation. If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, 16b, 17a, or 17b, check this box and see instructions

Part III Support Schedule for Organizations Described in Section 509(a)(2)

(Complete only if you checked the box on line 10 of Part I or if the organization failed to qualify under Part II. If the organization fails to qualify under the tests listed below, please complete Part II.)

Section A. Public Support

Table with 7 columns: (a) 2019, (b) 2020, (c) 2021, (d) 2022, (e) 2023, (f) Total. Rows include: 1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received; 2 Gross receipts from admissions, merchandise sold or services performed; 3 Gross receipts from activities that are not an unrelated trade or business; 4 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit; 5 The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit; 6 Total; 7a Amounts included on lines 1, 2, and 3 received from disqualified persons; 7b Amounts included on lines 2 and 3 received from other than disqualified persons; 8 Public support.

Section B. Total Support

Table with 7 columns: (a) 2019, (b) 2020, (c) 2021, (d) 2022, (e) 2023, (f) Total. Rows include: 9 Amounts from line 6; 10a Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources; 10b Unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 taxes) from businesses acquired after June 30, 1975; 11 Net income from unrelated business activities not included on line 10b; 12 Other income; 13 Total support; 14 First 5 years.

Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage

Table with 2 columns: Description, Percentage. Row 15: Public support percentage for 2023; Row 16: Public support percentage from 2022 Schedule A, Part III, line 15.

Section D. Computation of Investment Income Percentage

Table with 2 columns: Description, Percentage. Row 17: Investment income percentage for 2023; Row 18: Investment income percentage from 2022 Schedule A, Part III, line 17; Row 19a: 33 1/3% support tests-2023; Row 19b: 33 1/3% support tests-2022; Row 20: Private foundation.

Part IV Supporting Organizations

(Complete only if you checked a box on line 12 of Part I. If you checked box 12a, of Part I, complete Sections A and B. If you checked box 12b, of Part I, complete Sections A and C. If you checked box 12c, of Part I, complete Sections A, D, and E. If you checked box 12d, of Part I, complete Sections A and D, and complete Part V.)

Section A. All Supporting Organizations

| | | Yes | No |
|------------|---|-----|----|
| 1 | Are all of the organization's supported organizations listed by name in the organization's governing documents? If "No," describe in Part VI how the supported organizations are designated. If designated by class or purpose, describe the designation. If historic and continuing relationship, explain. | | |
| 2 | Did the organization have any supported organization that does not have an IRS determination of status under section 509(a)(1) or (2)? If "Yes," explain in Part VI how the organization determined that the supported organization was described in section 509(a)(1) or (2). | | |
| 3a | Did the organization have a supported organization described in section 501(c)(4), (5), or (6)? If "Yes," answer lines 3b and 3c below. | | |
| b | Did the organization confirm that each supported organization qualified under section 501(c)(4), (5), or (6) and satisfied the public support tests under section 509(a)(2)? If "Yes," describe in Part VI when and how the organization made the determination. | | |
| c | Did the organization ensure that all support to such organizations was used exclusively for section 170(c)(2)(B) purposes? If "Yes," explain in Part VI what controls the organization put in place to ensure such use. | | |
| 4a | Was any supported organization not organized in the United States ("foreign supported organization")? If "Yes" and if you checked box 12a or 12b in Part I, answer lines 4b and 4c below. | | |
| b | Did the organization have ultimate control and discretion in deciding whether to make grants to the foreign supported organization? If "Yes," describe in Part VI how the organization had such control and discretion despite being controlled or supervised by or in connection with its supported organizations. | | |
| c | Did the organization support any foreign supported organization that does not have an IRS determination under sections 501(c)(3) and 509(a)(1) or (2)? If "Yes," explain in Part VI what controls the organization used to ensure that all support to the foreign supported organization was used exclusively for section 170(c)(2)(B) purposes. | | |
| 5a | Did the organization add, substitute, or remove any supported organizations during the tax year? If "Yes," answer lines 5b and 5c below (if applicable). Also, provide detail in Part VI , including (i) the names and EIN numbers of the supported organizations added, substituted, or removed; (ii) the reasons for each such action; (iii) the authority under the organization's organizing document authorizing such action; and (iv) how the action was accomplished (such as by amendment to the organizing document). | | |
| b | Type I or Type II only. Was any added or substituted supported organization part of a class already designated in the organization's organizing document? | | |
| c | Substitutions only. Was the substitution the result of an event beyond the organization's control? | | |
| 6 | Did the organization provide support (whether in the form of grants or the provision of services or facilities) to anyone other than (i) its supported organizations, (ii) individuals that are part of the charitable class benefited by one or more of its supported organizations, or (iii) other supporting organizations that also support or benefit one or more of the filing organization's supported organizations? If "Yes," provide detail in Part VI . | | |
| 7 | Did the organization provide a grant, loan, compensation, or other similar payment to a substantial contributor (defined in section 4958(c)(3)(C)), a family member of a substantial contributor, or a 35% controlled entity with regard to a substantial contributor? If "Yes," complete Part I of Schedule L (Form 990). | | |
| 8 | Did the organization make a loan to a disqualified person (as defined in section 4958) not described on line 7? If "Yes," complete Part I of Schedule L (Form 990). | | |
| 9a | Was the organization controlled directly or indirectly at any time during the tax year by one or more disqualified persons, as defined in section 4946 (other than foundation managers and organizations described in section 509(a)(1) or (2))? If "Yes," provide detail in Part VI . | | |
| b | Did one or more disqualified persons (as defined on line 9a) hold a controlling interest in any entity in which the supporting organization had an interest? If "Yes," provide detail in Part VI . | | |
| c | Did a disqualified person (as defined on line 9a) have an ownership interest in, or derive any personal benefit from, assets in which the supporting organization also had an interest? If "Yes," provide detail in Part VI . | | |
| 10a | Was the organization subject to the excess business holdings rules of section 4943 because of section 4943(f) (regarding certain Type II supporting organizations, and all Type III non-functionally integrated supporting organizations)? If "Yes," answer line 10b below. | | |
| b | Did the organization have any excess business holdings in the tax year? (Use Schedule C, Form 4720, to determine whether the organization had excess business holdings). | | |

Part IV Supporting Organizations (continued)

| | Yes | No |
|--|-----|----|
| 11 Has the organization accepted a gift or contribution from any of the following persons? | | |
| a A person who directly or indirectly controls, either alone or together with persons described on lines 11b and 11c below, the governing body of a supported organization? | | |
| b A family member of a person described on 11a above? | | |
| c A 35% controlled entity of a person described on line 11a or 11b above? <i>If "Yes" to 11a, 11b, or 11c, provide detail in Part VI</i> | | |

Section B. Type I Supporting Organizations

| | Yes | No |
|---|-----|----|
| 1 Did the officers, directors, trustees, or membership of one or more supported organizations have the power to regularly appoint or elect at least a majority of the organization's directors or trustees at all times during the tax year? <i>If "No," describe in Part VI how the supported organization(s) effectively operated, supervised, or controlled the organization's activities. If the organization had more than one supported organization, describe how the powers to appoint and/or remove directors or trustees were allocated among the supported organizations and what conditions or restrictions, if any, applied to such powers during the tax year.</i> | | |
| 2 Did the organization operate for the benefit of any supported organization other than the supported organization(s) that operated, supervised, or controlled the supporting organization? <i>If "Yes," explain in Part VI how providing such benefit carried out the purposes of the supported organization(s) that operated, supervised or controlled the supporting organization.</i> | | |

Section C. Type II Supporting Organizations

| | Yes | No |
|--|-----|----|
| 1 Were a majority of the organization's directors or trustees during the tax year also a majority of the directors or trustees of each of the organization's supported organization(s)? <i>If "No," describe in Part VI how control or management of the supporting organization was vested in the same persons that controlled or managed the supported organization(s).</i> | | |

Section D. All Type III Supporting Organizations

| | Yes | No |
|---|-----|----|
| 1 Did the organization provide to each of its supported organizations, by the last day of the fifth month of the organization's tax year, (i) a written notice describing the type and amount of support provided during the prior tax year, (ii) a copy of the Form 990 that was most recently filed as of the date of notification, and (iii) copies of the organization's governing documents in effect on the date of notification, to the extent not previously provided? | | |
| 2 Were any of the organization's officers, directors, or trustees either (i) appointed or elected by the supported organization(s) or (ii) serving on the governing body of a supported organization? <i>If "No," explain in Part VI how the organization maintained a close and continuous working relationship with the supported organization(s).</i> | | |
| 3 By reason of the relationship described in line 2 above, did the organization's supported organizations have a significant voice in the organization's investment policies and in directing the use of the organization's income or assets at all times during the tax year? <i>If "Yes," describe in Part VI the role the organization's supported organizations played in this regard.</i> | | |

Section E. Type III Functionally-Integrated Supporting Organizations

1 Check the box next to the method that the organization used to satisfy the Integral Part Test during the year (see instructions):

- a** The organization satisfied the Activities Test. Complete **line 2** below.
- b** The organization is the parent of each of its supported organizations. Complete **line 3** below.
- c** The organization supported a governmental entity. Describe in **Part VI** how you supported a government entity (see instructions)

2 Activities Test. **Answer lines 2a and 2b below.**

| | Yes | No |
|---|-----|----|
| a Did substantially all of the organization's activities during the tax year directly further the exempt purposes of the supported organization(s) to which the organization was responsive? <i>If "Yes," then in Part VI identify those supported organizations and explain how these activities directly furthered their exempt purposes, how the organization was responsive to those supported organizations, and how the organization determined that these activities constituted substantially all of its activities.</i> | | |
| b Did the activities described on line 2a, above constitute activities that, but for the organization's involvement, one or more of the organization's supported organization(s) would have been engaged in? <i>If "Yes," explain in Part VI the reasons for the organization's position that its supported organization(s) would have engaged in these activities but for the organization's involvement.</i> | | |

3 Parent of Supported Organizations. **Answer lines 3a and 3b below.**

| | Yes | No |
|---|-----|----|
| a Did the organization have the power to regularly appoint or elect a majority of the officers, directors, or trustees of each of the supported organizations? <i>If "Yes" or "No", provide details in Part VI.</i> | | |
| b Did the organization exercise a substantial degree of direction over the policies, programs and activities of each of its supported organizations? <i>If "Yes," describe in Part VI. the role played by the organization in this regard.</i> | | |

Part V Type III Non-Functionally Integrated 509(a)(3) Supporting Organizations

- 1** Check here if the organization satisfied the Integral Part Test as a qualifying trust on Nov. 20, 1970 (*explain in Part VI*). See instructions. All other Type III non-functionally integrated supporting organizations must complete Sections A through E.

Section A - Adjusted Net Income

(A) Prior Year

(B) Current Year
(optional)

- | | | | |
|---|----------|--|--|
| 1 Net short-term capital gain | 1 | | |
| 2 Recoveries of prior-year distributions | 2 | | |
| 3 Other gross income (see instructions) | 3 | | |
| 4 Add lines 1 through 3 | 4 | | |
| 5 Depreciation and depletion | 5 | | |
| 6 Portion of operating expenses paid or incurred for production or collection of gross income or for management, conservation, or maintenance of property held for production of income (see instructions) | 6 | | |
| 7 Other expenses (see instructions) | 7 | | |
| 8 Adjusted Net Income (subtract lines 5, 6 and 7 from line 4) | 8 | | |

Section B - Minimum Asset Amount

(A) Prior Year

(B) Current Year
(optional)

- | | | | |
|--|-----------|--|--|
| 1 Aggregate fair market value of all non-exempt-use assets (see instructions for short tax year or assets held for part of year): | 1 | | |
| a Average monthly value of securities | 1a | | |
| b Average monthly cash balances | 1b | | |
| c Fair market value of other non-exempt-use assets | 1c | | |
| d Total (add lines 1a, 1b, and 1c) | 1d | | |
| e Discount claimed for blockage or other factors (<i>explain in detail in Part VI</i>): | | | |
| 2 Acquisition indebtedness applicable to non-exempt use assets | 2 | | |
| 3 Subtract line 2 from line 1d | 3 | | |
| 4 Cash deemed held for exempt use. Enter 0.015 of line 3 (for greater amount, see instructions). | 4 | | |
| 5 Net value of non-exempt-use assets (subtract line 4 from line 3) | 5 | | |
| 6 Multiply line 5 by 0.035 | 6 | | |
| 7 Recoveries of prior-year distributions | 7 | | |
| 8 Minimum Asset Amount (add line 7 to line 6) | 8 | | |

Section C - Distributable Amount

Current Year

- | | | |
|--|----------|--|
| 1 Adjusted net income for prior year (from Section A, line 8, Column A) | 1 | |
| 2 Enter 85% of line 1 | 2 | |
| 3 Minimum asset amount for prior year (from Section B, line 8, Column A) | 3 | |
| 4 Enter greater of line 2 or line 3 | 4 | |
| 5 Income tax imposed in prior year | 5 | |
| 6 Distributable Amount. Subtract line 5 from line 4, unless subject to emergency temporary reduction (see instructions) | 6 | |

- 7** Check here if the current year is the organization's first as a non-functionally-integrated Type III supporting organization (see instructions)

Part V Type III Non-Functionally Integrated 509(a)(3) Supporting Organizations

(continued)

| Section D - Distributions | | Current Year |
|--|-----------|--------------|
| 1 Amounts paid to supported organizations to accomplish exempt purposes | 1 | |
| 2 Amounts paid to perform activity that directly furthers exempt purposes of supported organizations, in excess of income from activity | 2 | |
| 3 Administrative expenses paid to accomplish exempt purposes of supported organizations | 3 | |
| 4 Amounts paid to acquire exempt-use assets | 4 | |
| 5 Qualified set-aside amounts (prior IRS approval required - provide details in Part VI) | 5 | |
| 6 Other distributions (describe in Part VI). See instructions | 6 | |
| 7 Total annual distributions. Add lines 1 through 6. | 7 | |
| 8 Distributions to attentive supported organizations to which the organization is responsive (provide details in Part VI). See instructions | 8 | |
| 9 Distributable amount for 2023 from Section C, line 6 | 9 | |
| 10 Line 8 amount divided by Line 9 amount | 10 | |

| Section E - Distribution Allocations (see instructions) | (i) Excess Distributions | (ii) Underdistributions Pre-2023 | (iii) Distributable Amount for 2023 |
|--|-----------------------------|--|---|
| 1 Distributable amount for 2023 from Section C, line 6 | | | |
| 2 Underdistributions, if any, for years prior to 2023 (reasonable cause required-- explain in Part VI). See instructions. | | | |
| 3 Excess distributions carryover, if any, to 2023: | | | |
| a From 2018. | | | |
| b From 2019. | | | |
| c From 2020. | | | |
| d From 2021. | | | |
| e From 2022. | | | |
| f Total of lines 3a through e | | | |
| g Applied to underdistributions of prior years | | | |
| h Applied to 2023 distributable amount | | | |
| i Carryover from 2018 not applied (see instructions) | | | |
| j Remainder. Subtract lines 3g, 3h, and 3i from line 3f. | | | |
| 4 Distributions for 2023 from Section D, line 7: | | | |
| \$ | | | |
| a Applied to underdistributions of prior years | | | |
| b Applied to 2023 distributable amount | | | |
| c Remainder. Subtract lines 4a and 4b from line 4. | | | |
| 5 Remaining underdistributions for years prior to 2023, if any. Subtract lines 3g and 4a from line 2. If the amount is greater than zero, explain in Part VI . See instructions. | | | |
| 6 Remaining underdistributions for 2023. Subtract lines 3h and 4b from line 1. If the amount is greater than zero, explain in Part VI . See instructions. | | | |
| 7 Excess distributions carryover to 2024. Add lines 3j and 4c. | | | |
| 8 Breakdown of line 7: | | | |
| a Excess from 2019. | | | |
| b Excess from 2020. | | | |
| c Excess from 2021. | | | |
| d Excess from 2022. | | | |
| e Excess from 2023. | | | |

Part VI **Supplemental Information.** Provide the explanations required by Part II, line 10; Part II, line 17a or 17b; Part III, line 12; Part IV, Section A, lines 1, 2, 3b, 3c, 4b, 4c, 5a, 6, 9a, 9b, 9c, 11a, 11b, and 11c; Part IV, Section B, lines 1 and 2; Part IV, Section C, line 1; Part IV, Section D, lines 2 and 3; Part IV, Section E, lines 1c, 2a, 2b, 3a and 3b; Part V, line 1; Part V, Section B, line 1e; Part V Section D, lines 5, 6, and 8; and Part V, Section E, lines 2, 5, and 6. Also complete this part for any additional information. (See instructions).

Facts And Circumstances Test

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Schedule B

Schedule of Contributors

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| | |
|---|--|
| Name of the organization Climate Defense Project | Employer identification number 81-3513347 |
|---|--|

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

| (a) No. | (b) Name, address, and ZIP + 4 | (c) Total contributions | (d) Type of contribution |
|------------|-----------------------------------|----------------------------|--|
| RESTRICTED | | \$ RESTRICTED | <input type="checkbox"/> Person <input type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.) |
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Part II Noncash Property (see instructions). Use duplicate copies of Part II if additional space is needed.

| (a) No. from Part I | (b) Description of noncash property given | (c) FMV (or estimate) (See instructions) | (d) Date received |
|---------------------------|--|--|----------------------|
| - | _____ _____ _____ | _____ \$ | _____ |
| - | _____ _____ _____ | _____ \$ | _____ |
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Part III Exclusively religious, charitable, etc., contributions to organizations described in section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) that total more than \$1,000 for the year from any one contributor. Complete columns (a) through (e) and the following line entry. For organizations completing Part III, enter the total of exclusively religious, charitable, etc., contributions of \$1,000 or less for the year. (Enter this information once. See instructions.) ► \$ _____
Use duplicate copies of Part III if additional space is needed.

| | | | |
|----------------------------------|---------------------------------------|--|--|
| (a) No. from Part I | (b) Purpose of gift | (c) Use of gift | (d) Description of how gift is held |
| | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| | (e) Transfer of gift | | |
| | Transferee's name, address, and ZIP 4 | Relationship of transferor to transferee | |
| | _____ | _____ | |
| | _____ | _____ | |
| (a) No. from Part I | (b) Purpose of gift | (c) Use of gift | (d) Description of how gift is held |
| | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| | (e) Transfer of gift | | |
| | Transferee's name, address, and ZIP 4 | Relationship of transferor to transferee | |
| | _____ | _____ | |
| | _____ | _____ | |
| (a) No. from Part I | (b) Purpose of gift | (c) Use of gift | (d) Description of how gift is held |
| | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| | (e) Transfer of gift | | |
| | Transferee's name, address, and ZIP 4 | Relationship of transferor to transferee | |
| | _____ | _____ | |
| | _____ | _____ | |
| (a) No. from Part I | (b) Purpose of gift | (c) Use of gift | (d) Description of how gift is held |
| | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| | (e) Transfer of gift | | |
| | Transferee's name, address, and ZIP 4 | Relationship of transferor to transferee | |
| | _____ | _____ | |
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81-3513347

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|---|---|
| Form 990, Part VI, Section A, Line 4 | Updated mission statement in its bylaws and articles of incorporation. |
| Form 990, Part VI, Section B, Line 11b | A draft of the organization's Form 990 was distributed to all members of the board and all members reviewed the draft for accuracy and consistency. Treasurer Joseph Hamilton and Executive Director Alexander Marquardt responded to queries from board members on specific items. After all members had the opportunity to ask questions and submit corrections, a final Form 990 was distributed to all members of the board for a vote. The board unanimously approved the Form 990 for submission. |
| Form 990, Part VI, Section B, Line 12c | The organization monitored and enforced compliance with its written conflict of interest policy by requesting regular updates from board members during calls and via email discussion regarding professional and personal activities that might constitute conflicts of interest, by encouraging members to report any conflicts, and by requiring an annual conflicts check form from each board member. No conflicts were discovered. |
| Form 990, Part VI, Section C, Line 19 | The organization makes available its governing documents, conflict of interest policy, and financial statements available upon request via email to members of the public. |

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