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Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

OMB No. 1545-

0047 2024

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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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Department of the Treasury

Internal Revenue Service

For the 2024 calendar year, or tax year beginning 07-01-2024, and ending 06-30-2025

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

C Name of organization: CHICAGO PUBLIC MEDIA INC. Doing business as: Number and street (or P.O. box if mail is not delivered to street address): 848 E GRAND AVENUE NAVY PIER. Room/suite: City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code: CHICAGO, IL 60611

D Employer identification number: 36-3687394. E Telephone number: (312) 948-4600. G Gross receipts \$ 44,962,243

F Name and address of principal officer: MELISSA BELL, 848 E GRAND AVENUE NAVY PIER, CHICAGO, IL 60611

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.CHICAGOPUBLICMEDIA.ORG

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

L Year of formation: 1989. M State of legal domicile: IL

Part I Summary

1 Briefly describe the organization's mission or most significant activities: CHICAGO PUBLIC MEDIA'S MISSION IS TO STRENGTHEN THE WELL-BEING OF OUR LOCAL COMMUNITIES AND OUR DEMOCRACY THROUGH INDEPENDENT LOCAL JOURNALISM.

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

Table with 3 columns: Description, Prior Year, Current Year. Rows include: 8 Contributions and grants, 9 Program service revenue, 10 Investment income, 11 Other revenue, 12 Total revenue.

Table with 3 columns: Description, Prior Year, Current Year. Rows include: 13 Grants and similar amounts paid, 14 Benefits paid to or for members, 15 Salaries, other compensation, 16a Professional fundraising fees, 16b Total fundraising expenses, 17 Other expenses, 18 Total expenses, 19 Revenue less expenses.

Table with 3 columns: Description, Beginning of Current Year, End of Year. Rows include: 20 Total assets, 21 Total liabilities, 22 Net assets or fund balances.

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 MELISSA BELL CEO, Date 2025-11-17

Paid Preparer Use Only: Print/Type preparer's name, Preparer's signature, Date 2024-11-12, Check if self-employed, PTIN P01506476, Firm's name Plante & Moran PLLC, Firm's EIN 33-1498605, Firm's address 10 SOUTH RIVERSIDE PLAZA 9TH FLOOR, CHICAGO, IL 60606, Phone no. (312) 207-1040

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:

CHICAGO PUBLIC MEDIA'S MISSION IS TO STRENGTHEN THE WELL-BEING OF OUR LOCAL COMMUNITIES AND OUR DEMOCRACY THROUGH INDEPENDENT LOCAL JOURNALISM. CHICAGO PUBLIC MEDIA PRODUCES ACCESSIBLE, TRUSTED NEWS, INFORMATION AND PROGRAMMING THAT HELPS ALL CHICAGO AREA RESIDENTS MAKE INFORMED DECISIONS EVERY DAY, PARTICIPATE IN OUR DIVERSE COMMUNITIES AND MAKE THE MOST OF OUR REGION.

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 \$ 17,786,655 including grants of \$) (Revenue \$ 435,262)

CHICAGO PUBLIC MEDIA, INC. IS A 501(C)(3) CHARITABLE ORGANIZATION THAT SERVES THE PUBLIC INTEREST BY PRODUCING AND DELIVERING DIVERSE, COMPELLING CONTENT OF MULTIPLE VIEWPOINTS AND EXPRESSION. CHICAGO PUBLIC MEDIA BROADCASTS ITS SERVICE ON FOUR NON-COMMERCIAL FM RADIO STATIONS: WBEZ 91.5 FM IN CHICAGO, WBEQ 90.7 FM IN MORRIS, 91.7 FM (W219CD) IN ELGIN, ILLINOIS, AND WBEK 91.1 FM IN KANKAKEE, ILLINOIS; VIRTUALLY VIA WBEZ.ORG, SMART SPEAKERS, MOBILE APPS, PODCASTS AND IN LIVE EVENTS THAT GENERATE CONVERSATIONS ACROSS COMMUNITIES.

4b (Code:) (Expenses \$ 249,597 including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)

CHICAGO PUBLIC MEDIA OPERATES VOCALO, A PUBLIC MEDIA ONLINE/ON-AIR SERVICE, ON 91.1 FM (W216CL) IN CHICAGO, ILLINOIS, ONLINE AT VOCALO.ORG, AND SYNDICATED ON MULTIPLE STATIONS AROUND CHICAGOLAND. VOCALO WAS ESTABLISHED AS AN INSPIRATIONAL BRAND THAT CELEBRATES OUR CITY'S CULTURAL DIVERSITY AND BRINGS THE COMMUNITY TOGETHER AROUND MUSIC - SPECIFICALLY, THE URBAN ALTERNATIVE FORMAT. IN MAY 2024, VOCALO CEASED ITS LIVE BROADCAST BUT CONTINUES TO HAVE PRE PROGRAMMED CONTENT ON ITS BROADCAST AND STREAM WHILE CHICAGO PUBLIC MEDIA CONSIDERS THE NEXT STEPS FOR THE LICENSE.

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 18,036,252

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 and reporting.

Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules (continued)

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

Part V Statements Regarding Other IRS Filings and Tax Compliance

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

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

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

Table with 10 columns: Question ID, Question Text, Sub-question ID, Answer 1, Answer 2, Answer 3. Rows include questions 2a through 17 regarding employee reporting, tax returns, business income, foreign accounts, prohibited transactions, contributions, and organizational activities.

Part VI Governance, Management, and Disclosure. For each "Yes" response to lines 2 through 7b below, and for a "No" response to lines 8a, 8b, or 10b below, describe the circumstances, processes, or changes in Schedule O. See instructions. Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part VI

Section A. Governing Body and Management

Table with 3 columns: Question, Yes, No. Rows include: 1a Enter the number of voting members... 2 Did any officer, director, trustee, or key employee have a family relationship... 3 Did the organization delegate control over management duties... 4 Did the organization make any significant changes to its governing documents... 5 Did the organization become aware during the year of a significant diversion of the organization's assets... 6 Did the organization have members or stockholders... 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? 7b Are any governance decisions of the organization reserved to (or subject to approval by) members, stockholders, or persons other than the governing body? 8 Did the organization contemporaneously document the meetings held or written actions undertaken during the year by the following: 8a The governing body? 8b Each committee with authority to act on behalf of the governing body? 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.

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

Table with 3 columns: Question, Yes, No. Rows include: 10a Did the organization have local chapters, branches, or affiliates? 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? 11b 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 12b Were officers, directors, or trustees, and key employees required to disclose annually interests that could give rise to conflicts? 12c Did the organization regularly and consistently monitor and enforce compliance with the policy? If "Yes," describe on Schedule O how this was done 13 Did the organization have a written whistleblower policy? 14 Did the organization have a written document retention and destruction policy? 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 15b Other officers or key employees of the organization 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? 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

Table with 3 columns: Question, Yes, No. Rows include: 17 List the states with which a copy of this Form 990 is required to be filed C A, IL, IN, MI, NY, WI 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: DEBRA CHAMRA 848 E GRAND AVE NAVY PIER CHICAGO, IL 60611 (312) 893-8592

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			
(1) ADRIENNE KING BOARD CHAIR	1.3 1.3	X		X			0	0	0
(2) BERNARDO SICHEL TREASURER	1.3 1.3	X		X			0	0	0
(3) NIVINE MEGAHEID PHD VICE CHAIR	1.0 0.3	X		X			0	0	0
(4) RAYMOND E CROSSMAN PHD SECRETARY	1.0 0.3	X		X			0	0	0
(5) ROBERT PASIN BOARD CHAIR - THRU 09/2024	1.0 0.3	X		X			0	0	0
(6) ANDREA WISHOM DIRECTOR	1.0 0.3	X					0	0	0
(7) BILL RUDNICK DIRECTOR	1.0 0.3	X					0	0	0
(8) BRIAN WOLFE DIRECTOR - BEG. 9/2024	1.0 0.3	X					0	0	0
(9) BRUCE HEYMAN DIRECTOR	1.0 0.3	X					0	0	0
(10) CAMMIE MCLEOD DIRECTOR - BEG. 12/2024	1.0 0.3	X					0	0	0
(11) CHARLES LEWIS DIRECTOR	1.0 0.3	X					0	0	0
(12) DAVID SINISKI DIRECTOR	1.0 0.3	X					0	0	0
(13) ELIZABETH THOMPSON DIRECTOR	1.0 0.3	X					0	0	0
(14) HOWARD CONANT JR DIRECTOR	1.0 0.3	X					0	0	0
(15) JESSICA SIEJA DIRECTOR - THRU 12/2024	1.0 0.3	X					0	0	0
(16) JULIAN POSADA DIRECTOR	1.0 0.3	X					0	0	0
(17) KEDRA NEWSOM REEVES DIRECTOR	1.0 0.3	X					0	0	0

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

(A) Name and title	(B) Average hours per week (list any hours for related organizations below dotted line)	(C) Position (do not check more than one box, unless person is both an officer and a director/trustee)					(D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W-2/1099-MISC/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			
(18) LAURA VAN PEENAN DIRECTOR	1.0 0.3	X					0	0	0
(19) LERRY J KNOX JR DIRECTOR - THRU 09/2024	1.0 1.3	X					0	0	0
(20) LISA MORRISON BUTLER DIRECTOR	1.0 0.3	X					0	0	0
(21) MATT RICHARDSON DIRECTOR	1.0 0.3	X					0	0	0
(22) PAUL RAND DIRECTOR	1.0 0.3	X					0	0	0
(23) PIYUSH CHAUDHARI DIRECTOR - THRU 09/2024	1.0 0.3	X					0	0	0
(24) ROBERT AGUILAR DIRECTOR	1.0 0.3	X					0	0	0
(25) ROGER HOCHSCHILD DIRECTOR	1.0 0.3	X					0	0	0
(26) SUSAN ABRAMS DIRECTOR - BEG. 12/2024	1.0 0.3	X					0	0	0
(27) THOMAS FISHER JR MD DIRECTOR	1.0 0.3	X					0	0	0
(28) WILLIAM A GEE IV DIRECTOR - THRU 09/2024	1.0 0.3	X					0	0	0
(29) CYNTHIA PHOTOS ABBOTT CHIEF LEGAL OFFICER	24.0 16.0			X			349,975	0	29,814
(30) DEBRA CHAMRA SVP, FINANCE AND ACCOUNTING	32.0 8.0			X			225,296	0	25,169
(31) MATTHEW MOOG CEO - THRU 09/2024	20.0 20.0			X			904,910	0	38,565
(32) MELISSA BELL CEO - BEG. 09/2024	20.0 20.0			X			184,922	0	5,865
(33) RINA DEDHIA CFO	20.0 20.0			X			402,877	0	37,857
(34) LORI MALATESTA CHIEF PEOPLE OFFICER	25.0 15.0				X		323,322	0	23,370
(35) LUCY KIM CHIEF ADVANCEMENT OFFICER	32.0 8.0				X		228,084	0	21,831
(36) TRACY BROWN CHIEF PARTNERSHIPS OFFICER	24.0 16.0				X		367,728	0	21,351
(37) FRANK SHARPE DIRECTOR OF PRODUCT ENGINEERING	20.0 20.0					X	156,602	0	15,717
(38) GILBERT BAILON EXECUTIVE EDITOR	40.0 0.0					X	236,817	0	15,930
(39) HEIDI GOLDFEIN VP OF PROGRAMMING	40.0 0.0					X	170,888	0	30,422
(40) KATE VERRANT ASSISTANT GENERAL COUNSEL	29.0 11.0					X	180,357	0	17,553
(41) STEPHEN WRIGHT VP OF TECHNOLOGY AND OPERATIONS	33.0 7.0					X	256,640	0	17,900
1b Sub-Total									
c Total from continuation sheets to Part VII, Section A									
d Total (add lines 1b and 1c)						3,988,418	0		301,344

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 **52**

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

Section B. Independent Contractors

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

(A) Name and business address	(B) Description of services	(C) Compensation
SKENDER CONSTRUCTION LLC 1330 W FULTON SUITE 200 CHICAGO, IL 60607	GENERAL CONTRACTOR	2,651,424
MARKET ENGINUITY 3131 E CLARENDON AVE SUITE 105 PHOENIX, AZ 85016	UNDERWRITING ACCOUNT EXECUTIVES	1,339,890
KOYA LEADERSHIP PARTNERS LLC 2005 MARKET STREET SUITE 3300 PHILADELPHIA, PA 19103	EXECUTIVE RECRUITMENT SERVICES	304,998
JONES DAY 51 LOUISIANA AVE NW WASHINGTON, DC 20001	LEGAL SERVICES	111,099
IDEO LP 2525 16TH STREET SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94103	CONSULTING SERVICES	100,000

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 **5**

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 Similar Amounts				
1a Federated campaigns		1a		
b Membership dues		1b	13,825,801	
c Fundraising events		1c	1,290,072	
d Related organizations		1d		
e Government grants (contributions)		1e	2,054,663	
f All other contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts not included above		1f	11,998,044	
g Noncash contributions included in lines 1a - 1f:\$		1g	1,134,738	
h Total. Add lines 1a-1f				29,168,580

Program Service Revenue		Business Code				
			(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)
2a DIGITAL SPONSORSHIPS		516100	803,778	0	803,778	
b MEMBERSHIP EVENTS		516100	293,646	293,646		
c PRODUCTION & STUDIO REVENUE		516100	12,316	12,316		
d						
e						
f All other program service revenue.			0	0	0	0
g Total. Add lines 2a-2f.			1,109,740			

Other Revenue	3 Investment income (including dividends, interest, and other similar amounts)		2,226,536			2,226,536	
	4 Income from investment of tax-exempt bond proceeds			129,300	129,300		
	5 Royalties						
	6a Gross rents	(i) Real	6a	181,692			
		(ii) Personal	6b	0			
		b Less: rental expenses	6c	181,692	0		
		c Rental income or (loss)	d		181,692		
	7a Gross amount from sales of assets other than inventory	(i) Securities	7a	12,104,227	0		
		(ii) Other	7b	9,133,310	24,310		
		b Less: cost or other basis and sales expenses	7c	2,970,917	-24,310		
		c Gain or (loss)	d		2,946,607		2,946,607
	8a Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ 1,290,072 of contributions reported on line 1c). See Part IV, line 18		8a		42,168		
		b Less: direct expenses	8b		182,785		
		c Net income or (loss) from fundraising events			-140,617		-140,617
	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						
Other Revenue Misc Amt	11a	Business Code					
	b						
	c						
	d All other revenue			0	0	0	
	e Total. Add lines 11a-11d			0			
12 Total revenue. See instructions			35,621,838	435,262	985,470	5,032,526	

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				
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	0	0		
5 Compensation of current officers, directors, trustees, and key employees	1,465,272	244,533	891,001	329,738
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	11,539,544	8,837,136	845,247	1,857,161
8 Pension plan accruals and contributions (include section 401(k) and 403(b) employer contributions)	341,831	250,598	34,261	56,972
9 Other employee benefits	1,251,967	1,010,955	-11,128	252,140
10 Payroll taxes	1,063,498	706,637	169,316	187,545
11 Fees for services (non-employees):				
a Management				
b Legal	276,028	139,050	136,978	
c Accounting	71,896		71,896	
d Lobbying				
e Professional fundraising services. See Part IV, line 17				
f Investment management fees	161,903		161,903	
g Other (If line 11g amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A) amount, list line 11g expenses on Schedule O)	2,064,324	316,491	316,787	1,431,046
12 Advertising and promotion	834,507	268,397	0	566,110
13 Office expenses	850,737	600,168	41,148	209,421
14 Information technology	1,204,808	705,084	191,666	308,058
15 Royalties				
16 Occupancy	588,568	474,804	55,269	58,495
17 Travel	156,244	106,330	35,286	14,628
18 Payments of travel or entertainment expenses for any federal, state, or local public officials				
19 Conferences, conventions, and meetings	40,675	18,011	9,656	13,008
20 Interest	602,397	389,049	86,375	126,973
21 Payments to affiliates				
22 Depreciation, depletion, and amortization	1,885,716	1,356,418	252,115	277,183
23 Insurance	197,045	138,637	23,647	34,761
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 PROGRAMMING	2,318,686	2,318,686		
b CREDIT CARD FEES	398,599		928	397,671
c MEMBER PREMIUMS	199,098	199,098		
d UBI TAX EXPENSE	8,416		8,416	
e All other expenses	-421,988	-43,830	15,442	-393,600
25 Total functional expenses. Add lines 1 through 24e	27,099,771	18,036,252	3,336,209	5,727,310
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	4,836,991	1	8,835,987
	2 Savings and temporary cash investments	817	2	847
	3 Pledges and grants receivable, net	6,154,614	3	4,947,265
	4 Accounts receivable, net	861,089	4	611,071
	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	0	5	0
	6 Loans and other receivables from other disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)), and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B)	0	6	0
	7 Notes and loans receivable, net		7	
	8 Inventories for sale or use		8	
	9 Prepaid expenses and deferred charges	500,599	9	515,256
	10a Land, buildings, and equipment: cost or other basis. Complete Part VI of Schedule D	10a 40,899,304		
	b Less: accumulated depreciation	10b 21,012,800	21,532,823	10c 19,886,504
	11 Investments—publicly traded securities	77,048,579	11	83,640,750
	12 Investments—other securities. See Part IV, line 11	0	12	
	13 Investments—program-related. See Part IV, line 11	0	13	
	14 Intangible assets	1,360,513	14	1,335,513
	15 Other assets. See Part IV, line 11	3,622,663	15	3,347,735
16 Total assets: Add lines 1 through 15 (must equal line 33)	115,918,688	16	123,120,928	
Liabilities	17 Accounts payable and accrued expenses	3,484,579	17	2,689,244
	18 Grants payable		18	
	19 Deferred revenue	76,091	19	224,747
	20 Tax-exempt bond liabilities	21,858,853	20	21,867,538
	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	0	22	0
	23 Secured mortgages and notes payable to unrelated third parties		23	
	24 Unsecured notes and loans payable to unrelated third parties	2,472,222	24	2,138,886
	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	13,047,863	25	10,641,204
	26 Total liabilities: Add lines 17 through 25	40,939,608	26	37,561,619
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	49,570,026	27	61,192,087
	28 Net assets with donor restrictions	25,409,054	28	24,367,222
	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	74,979,080	32	85,559,309
	33 Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances	115,918,688	33	123,120,928

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	35,621,838
2	Total expenses (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	2	27,099,771
3	Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 2 from line 1	3	8,522,067
4	Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (must equal Part X, line 32, column (A))	4	74,979,080
5	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	5	2,628,415
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	-570,253
10	Net assets or fund balances at end of year. Combine lines 3 through 9 (must equal Part X, line 32, column (A))	10	85,559,309

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	Yes	
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.	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
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.		

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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.
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Name of the organization
CHICAGO PUBLIC MEDIA INC

Employer identification number
36-3687394

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) 2020	(b) 2021	(c) 2022	(d) 2023	(e) 2024	(f) Total
1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received. (Do not include any "unusual grant.") . . .	29,216,831	27,026,635	30,954,140	28,166,867	29,168,580	144,533,053
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	29,216,831	27,026,635	30,954,140	28,166,867	29,168,580	144,533,053
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) . . .						0
6 Public support. Subtract line 5 from line 4.						144,533,053

Section B. Total Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ▶	(a) 2020	(b) 2021	(c) 2022	(d) 2023	(e) 2024	(f) Total
7 Amounts from line 4.	29,216,831	27,026,635	30,954,140	28,166,867	29,168,580	144,533,053
8 Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources	685,565	1,134,000	1,887,284	2,526,366	2,226,536	8,459,751
9 Net income from unrelated business activities, whether or not the business is regularly carried on.	40,689	97,404	63,894	48,634	78,024	328,645
10 Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part VI.)	0	0	0	0	0	0
11 Total support. Add lines 7 through 10						153,321,449
12 Gross receipts from related activities, etc. (see instructions)					12	8,192,574

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 2024 (line 6, column (f) divided by line 11, column (f))	14	94.268 %
15 Public support percentage for 2023 Schedule A, Part II, line 14	15	95.185 %

16a 33 1/3% support test—2024. 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—2023. 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—2024. 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—2023. 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) 2020, (b) 2021, (c) 2022, (d) 2023, (e) 2024, (f) Total. Rows include: Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in), 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 under section 513, 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) 2020, (b) 2021, (c) 2022, (d) 2023, (e) 2024, (f) Total. Rows include: Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in), 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. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets, 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 2024 (line 8, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f)). Row 16: Public support percentage from 2023 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 2024 (line 10c, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f)). Row 18: Investment income percentage from 2023 Schedule A, Part III, line 17. Row 19a: 33 1/3% support tests-2024. Row 19b: 33 1/3% support tests-2023. 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 |
|------------|-----|----|
| | | |
| 11a | | |
| 11b | | |
| 11c | | |
- 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? *If "Yes" to 11a, 11b, or 11c, provide detail in Part VI.*

Section B. Type I Supporting Organizations

- | | Yes | No |
|----------|-----|----|
| | | |
| 1 | | |
| 2 | | |
- 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? *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.*
- 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? *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.*

Section C. Type II Supporting Organizations

- | | Yes | No |
|----------|-----|----|
| | | |
| 1 | | |
- 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)? *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).*

Section D. All Type III Supporting Organizations

- | | Yes | No |
|----------|-----|----|
| | | |
| 1 | | |
| 2 | | |
| 3 | | |
- 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? *If "No," explain in Part VI how the organization maintained a close and continuous working relationship with the supported organization(s).*
- 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? *If "Yes," describe in Part VI the role the organization's supported organizations played in this regard.*

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 |
|-----------|-----|----|
| | | |
| 2a | | |
| 2b | | |
- 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? *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.*
- 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? *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.*

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

- | | Yes | No |
|-----------|-----|----|
| | | |
| 3a | | |
| 3b | | |
- 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? *If "Yes" or "No," provide details in Part VI.*
- b** Did the organization exercise a substantial degree of direction over the policies, programs and activities of each of its supported organizations? *If "Yes," describe in Part VI the role played by the organization in this regard.*

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 (explain in detail in Part VI):			
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 2024 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-2024	(iii) Distributable Amount for 2024
1 Distributable amount for 2024 from Section C, line 6			
2 Underdistributions, if any, for years prior to 2024 (reasonable cause required-- explain in Part VI). See instructions.			
3 Excess distributions carryover, if any, to 2024:			
a From 2019.			
b From 2020.			
c From 2021.			
d From 2022.			
e From 2023.			
f Total of lines 3a through e			
g Applied to underdistributions of prior years			
h Applied to 2024 distributable amount			
i Carryover from 2019 not applied (see instructions)			
j Remainder. Subtract lines 3g, 3h, and 3i from line 3f.			
4 Distributions for 2024 from Section D, line 7: \$			
a Applied to underdistributions of prior years			
b Applied to 2024 distributable amount			
c Remainder. Subtract lines 4a and 4b from line 4.			
5 Remaining underdistributions for years prior to 2024, 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 2024. 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 2025. Add lines 3j and 4c.			
8 Breakdown of line 7:			
a Excess from 2020.			
b Excess from 2021.			
c Excess from 2022.			
d Excess from 2023.			
e Excess from 2024.			

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).

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Name of the organization CHICAGO PUBLIC MEDIA INC	Employer identification number 36-3687394
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Organization type (check one):

Filers of:

Section:

- Form 990 or 990-EZ
 - 501(c)() (enter number) organization
 - 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust **not** treated as a private foundation
 - 527 political organization
- Form 990-PF
 - 501(c)(3) exempt private foundation
 - 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust treated as a private foundation
 - 501(c)(3) taxable private foundation

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

General Rule

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

Special Rules

- For an organization described in section 501(c)(3) filing Form 990 or 990-EZ that met the 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).

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

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

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

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

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

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Political Campaign and Lobbying Activities

For Organizations Exempt From Income Tax Under section 501(c) and section 527

▶ **Complete if the organization is described below.** ▶ **Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ.**
▶ **Go to www.irs.gov/Form990 for instructions and the latest information.**

If the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, Line 3, or Form 990-EZ, Part V, line 46 (Political Campaign Activities), then

- Section 501(c)(3) organizations: Complete Parts I-A and B. Do not complete Part I-C.
- Section 501(c) (other than section 501(c)(3)) organizations: Complete Parts I-A and C below. Do not complete Part I-B.
- Section 527 organizations: Complete Part I-A only.

If the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, Line 4, or Form 990-EZ, Part VI, line 47 (Lobbying Activities), then

- Section 501(c)(3) organizations that have filed Form 5768 (election under section 501(h)): Complete Part II-A. Do not complete Part II-B.
- Section 501(c)(3) organizations that have NOT filed Form 5768 (election under section 501(h)): Complete Part II-B. Do not complete Part II-A.

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

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

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

1	Provide a description of the organization's direct and indirect political campaign activities in Part IV. See instructions for definition of "political campaign activities."		
2	Political campaign activity expenditures. See instructions	▶	\$ _____
3	Volunteer hours for political campaign activities. See instructions		_____

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

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

Part I-C Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c), except section 501(c)(3).

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

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

Part II-A Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(3) and filed Form 5768 (election under section 501(h)).

- A** Check if the filing organization belongs to an affiliated group (and list in Part IV each affiliated group member's name, address, EIN, expenses, and share of excess lobbying expenditures).
- B** Check if the filing organization checked box A and "limited control" provisions apply.

Limits on Lobbying Expenditures (The term "expenditures" means amounts paid or incurred.)	(a) Filing organization's totals	(b) Affiliated group totals												
1a Total lobbying expenditures to influence public opinion (grass roots lobbying)														
b Total lobbying expenditures to influence a legislative body (direct lobbying)														
c Total lobbying expenditures (add lines 1a and 1b)														
d Other exempt purpose expenditures														
e Total exempt purpose expenditures (add lines 1c and 1d)														
f Lobbying nontaxable amount. Enter the amount from the following table in both columns.														
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Not over \$500,000	20% of the amount on line 1e.													
Over \$500,000 but not over \$1,000,000	\$100,000 plus 15% of the excess over \$500,000.													
Over \$1,000,000 but not over \$1,500,000	\$175,000 plus 10% of the excess over \$1,000,000.													
Over \$1,500,000 but not over \$17,000,000	\$225,000 plus 5% of the excess over \$1,500,000.													
Over \$17,000,000	\$1,000,000.													
g Grassroots nontaxable amount (enter 25% of line 1f)														
h Subtract line 1g from line 1a. If zero or less, enter -0-														
i Subtract line 1f from line 1c. If zero or less, enter -0-														
j If there is an amount other than zero on either line 1h or line 1i, did the organization file Form 4720 reporting section 4911 tax for this year?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No													

4-Year Averaging Period Under Section 501(h)
(Some organizations that made a section 501(h) election do not have to complete all of the five columns below. See the separate instructions for lines 2a through 2f.)

Lobbying Expenditures During 4-Year Averaging Period					
Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in)	(a) 2021	(b) 2022	(c) 2023	(d) 2024	(e) Total
2a Lobbying nontaxable amount					
b Lobbying ceiling amount (150% of line 2a, column(e))					
c Total lobbying expenditures					
d Grassroots nontaxable amount					
e Grassroots ceiling amount (150% of line 2d, column (e))					
f Grassroots lobbying expenditures					

Part II-B Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(3) and has NOT filed Form 5768 (election under section 501(h)).

For each "Yes" response on lines 1a through 1i below, provide in Part IV a detailed description of the lobbying activity.

	(a)		(b)
	Yes	No	Amount
1 During the year, did the filing organization attempt to influence foreign, national, state or local legislation, including any attempt to influence public opinion on a legislative matter or referendum, through the use of:			
a Volunteers?	Yes		
b Paid staff or management (include compensation in expenses reported on lines 1c through 1i)?	Yes		
c Media advertisements?	Yes		1,032
d Mailings to members, legislators, or the public?	Yes		6,079
e Publications, or published or broadcast statements?	Yes		1,454
f Grants to other organizations for lobbying purposes?		No	
g Direct contact with legislators, their staffs, government officials, or a legislative body?	Yes		753
h Rallies, demonstrations, seminars, conventions, speeches, lectures, or any similar means?		No	
i Other activities?		No	
j Total. Add lines 1c through 1i			9,318
2a Did the activities in line 1 cause the organization to be not described in section 501(c)(3)?		No	
b If "Yes," enter the amount of any tax incurred under section 4912			
c If "Yes," enter the amount of any tax incurred by organization managers under section 4912			
d If the filing organization incurred a section 4912 tax, did it file Form 4720 for this year?			

Part III-A Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(4), section 501(c)(5), or section 501(c)(6).

	Yes	No
1 Were substantially all (90% or more) dues received nondeductible by members?	1	
2 Did the organization make only in-house lobbying expenditures of \$2,000 or less?	2	
3 Did the organization agree to carry over lobbying and political expenditures from the prior year?	3	

Part III-B Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(4), section 501(c)(5), or section 501(c)(6) and if either (a) BOTH Part III-A, lines 1 and 2, are answered "No" OR (b) Part III-A, line 3, is answered "Yes."

1 Dues, assessments and similar amounts from members	1	
2 Section 162(e) nondeductible lobbying and political expenditures (do not include amounts of political expenses for which the section 527(f) tax was paid).		
a Current year	2a	
b Carryover from last year	2b	
c Total	2c	
3 Aggregate amount reported in section 6033(e)(1)(A) notices of nondeductible section 162(e) dues .	3	
4 If notices were sent and the amount on line 2c exceeds the amount on line 3, what portion of the excess does the organization agree to carryover to the reasonable estimate of nondeductible lobbying and political expenditure next year?	4	
5 Taxable amount of lobbying and political expenditures. See Instructions	5	

Part IV Supplemental Information

Provide the descriptions required for Part I-A, line 1; Part I-B, line 4; Part I-C, line 5; Part II-A (affiliated group list); Part II-A, lines 1 and 2 (see instructions), and Part II-B, line 1. Also, complete this part for any additional information.

Return Reference	Explanation
Schedule C, Part II-B, Line 1 DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE LOBBYING ACTIVITY	Employees of Chicago Public Media engaged in a limited amount of lobbying to advocate against the rescission on federal funding for public media.

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SCHEDULE D
(Form 990)

Supplemental Financial Statements

OMB No. 1545-0047

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Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

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

▶ **Attach to Form 990.**

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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?

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?
b If "Yes," explain the arrangement in Part XIII and complete the following table:
Table with columns: Description, Amount
c Beginning balance
d Additions during the year
e Distributions during the year
f Ending balance
2a Did the organization include an amount on Form 990, Part X, line 21, for escrow or custodial account liability?
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.

Table with 6 columns: (a) Current year, (b) Prior year, (c) Two years back, (d) Three years back, (e) Four years back. Rows include: 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 0%
b Permanent endowment 59.73%
c Term endowment 40.27%
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?
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.

Table with 5 columns: (a) Cost or other basis (investment), (b) Cost or other basis (other), (c) Accumulated depreciation, (d) Book value. Rows include: 1a Land, b Buildings, c Leasehold improvements, d Equipment, e Other, Total. Add lines 1a through 1e. (Column (d) must equal Form 990, Part X, column (B), line 10(c).)

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	
Federal Income Taxes	
LIABILITY UNDER SWAP AGREEMENT	-1,559,308
OPERATING LEASE LIABILITY	3,347,735
DUE TO AFFILIATE	8,852,777
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col.(B) line 25.)	10,641,204

2. Liability for uncertain tax positions. In Part XIII, provide the text of the footnote to the organization's financial statements that reports the organization's liability for uncertain tax positions under FIN 48 (ASC 740). Check here if the text of the footnote has been provided in Part XIII

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

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

1	Total revenue, gains, and other support per audited financial statements		1	39,073,206
2	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12:			
a	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	2a	2,628,415	
b	Donated services and use of facilities	2b	1,861,895	
c	Recoveries of prior year grants	2c		
d	Other (Describe in Part XIII.)	2d	-877,039	
e	Add lines 2a through 2d	2e		3,613,271
3	Subtract line 2e from line 1	3		35,459,935
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	161,903	
b	Other (Describe in Part XIII.)	4b	0	
c	Add lines 4a and 4b	4c		161,903
5	Total revenue. Add lines 3 and 4c . (This must equal Form 990, Part I, line 12.)	5		35,621,838

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	28,492,975
2	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part IX, line 25:			
a	Donated services and use of facilities	2a	1,861,895	
b	Prior year adjustments	2b		
c	Other losses	2c		
d	Other (Describe in Part XIII.)	2d	0	
e	Add lines 2a through 2d	2e		1,861,895
3	Subtract line 2e from line 1	3		26,631,080
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	161,903	
b	Other (Describe in Part XIII.)	4b	306,788	
c	Add lines 4a and 4b	4c		468,691
5	Total expenses. Add lines 3 and 4c . (This must equal Form 990, Part I, line 18.)	5		27,099,771

Part XIII Supplemental Information

Provide the descriptions required for Part II, lines 3, 5, and 9; Part III, lines 1a and 4; Part IV, lines 1b and 2b; Part V, line 4; Part X, line 2; Part XI, lines 2d and 4b; and Part XII, lines 2d and 4b. Also complete this part to provide any additional information.

Return Reference	Explanation
Schedule D, Part V, Line 4 Intended uses of endowment funds	\$1M ENDOWMENT WILL REMAIN PERMANENTLY RESTRICTED. DISTRIBUTIONS, NOT TO EXCEED 4% OF THE VALUE OF THE FUND IN ANY GIVEN YEAR, WILL BE USED TO SUPPORT GENERAL OPERATIONS AT CHICAGO PUBLIC MEDIA.
Schedule D, Part XI, Line 2(d) Other revenues in audited financial statements not in form 990	CHANGE IN VALUE OF INTEREST RATE SWAP AGREEMENT - -570253 MEMBER EVENT EXPENSES NETTED AGAINST REVENUE - -306786
Schedule D, Part XII, Line 4(b) Other expenses in form 990 not in audited financial statements	MEMBER EXPENSE NETTED AGAINST REVENUE - 306786 ROUNDING - 2

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**Supplemental Information Regarding
 Fundraising or Gaming Activities**

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, lines 17, 18, or 19, or if the organization entered more than \$15,000 on Form 990-EZ, line 6a.
 Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ.
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Name of the organization
 CHICAGO PUBLIC MEDIA INC

Employer identification number
 36-3687394

Part I Fundraising Activities. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 17.
 Form 990-EZ filers are not required to complete this part.

- 1** Indicate whether the organization raised funds through any of the following activities. Check all that apply.
- | | |
|--|---|
| a <input type="checkbox"/> Mail solicitations | e <input type="checkbox"/> Solicitation of non-government grants |
| b <input type="checkbox"/> Internet and email solicitations | f <input type="checkbox"/> Solicitation of government grants |
| c <input type="checkbox"/> Phone solicitations | g <input type="checkbox"/> Special fundraising events |
| d <input type="checkbox"/> In-person solicitations | |
- 2a** Did the organization have a written or oral agreement with any individual (including officers, directors, trustees or key employees listed in Form 990, Part VII) or entity in connection with professional fundraising services? **Yes** **No**
- b** If "Yes," list the 10 highest paid individuals or entities (fundraisers) pursuant to agreements under which the fundraiser is to be compensated at least \$5,000 by the organization.

(i) Name and address of individual or entity (fundraiser)	(ii) Activity	(iii) Did fundraiser have custody or control of contributions?		(iv) Gross receipts from activity	(v) Amount paid to (or retained by) fundraiser listed in col. (i)	(vi) Amount paid to (or retained by) organization
		Yes	No			
1						
2						
3						
4						
5						
6						
7						
8						
9						
10						
Total						

3 List all states in which the organization is registered or licensed to solicit contributions or has been notified it is exempt from registration or licensing.

Part II Fundraising Events. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 18, or reported more than \$15,000 of fundraising event contributions and gross income on Form 990-EZ, lines 1 and 6b. List events with gross receipts greater than \$5,000.

		(a) Event #1	(b) Event #2	(c) Other events	(d) Total events
		GALA (event type)	(event type)	(total number)	(add col. (a) through col. (c))
Revenue	1 Gross receipts	1,332,240			1,332,240
	2 Less: Contributions	1,290,072			1,290,072
	3 Gross income (line 1 minus line 2)	42,168	0	0	42,168
Direct Expenses	4 Cash prizes				
	5 Noncash prizes	235			235
	6 Rent/facility costs				
	7 Food and beverages				
	8 Entertainment				
	9 Other direct expenses	182,550			182,550
	10 Direct expense summary. Add lines 4 through 9 in column (d) ▶				182,785
	11 Net income summary. Subtract line 10 from line 3, column (d) ▶				-140,617

Part III Gaming. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 19, or reported more than \$15,000 on Form 990-EZ, line 6a.

		(a) Bingo	(b) Pull tabs/Instant bingo/progressive bingo	(c) Other gaming	(d) Total gaming (add col.(a) through col.(c))
		1 Gross revenue			
Direct Expenses	2 Cash prizes				
	3 Noncash prizes				
	4 Rent/facility costs				
	5 Other direct expenses				
	6 Volunteer labor	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes _____ % .. <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes _____ % .. <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes _____ % .. <input type="checkbox"/> No	
7 Direct expense summary. Add lines 2 through 5 in column (d) ▶					
8 Net gaming income summary. Subtract line 7 from line 1, column (d) ▶					

9 Enter the state(s) in which the organization conducts gaming activities:

a Is the organization licensed to conduct gaming activities in each of these states? Yes No

b If "No," explain: _____

10a Were any of the organization's gaming licenses revoked, suspended or terminated during the tax year? Yes No

b If "Yes," explain: _____

11 Does the organization conduct gaming activities with nonmembers? Yes No

12 Is the organization a grantor, beneficiary or trustee of a trust or a member of a partnership or other entity formed to administer charitable gaming? Yes No

13 Indicate the percentage of gaming activity conducted in:

a	The organization's facility	13a	%
b	An outside facility	13b	%

14 Enter the name and address of the person who prepares the organization's gaming/special events books and records:

Name ▶ -----

Address ▶ -----

15a Does the organization have a contract with a third party from whom the organization receives gaming revenue? Yes No

b If "Yes," enter the amount of gaming revenue received by the organization ▶ \$ _____ and the amount of gaming revenue retained by the third party ▶ \$ _____.

c If "Yes," enter name and address of the third party:

Name ▶ -----

Address ▶ -----

16 Gaming manager information:

Name ▶ -----

Gaming manager compensation ▶ \$ -----

Description of services provided ▶ -----

Director/officer Employee Independent contractor

17 Mandatory distributions:

a Is the organization required under state law to make charitable distributions from the gaming proceeds to retain the state gaming license? Yes No

b Enter the amount of distributions required under state law distributed to other exempt organizations or spent in the organization's own exempt activities during the tax year ▶ \$ _____

Part IV Supplemental Information. Provide the explanations required by Part I, line 2b, columns (iii) and (v); and Part III, lines 9, 9b, 10b, 15b, 15c, 16, and 17b, as applicable. Also provide any additional information. See Instructions.

Return Reference	Explanation
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Schedule J
(Form 990)

Compensation Information

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

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

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Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Name of the organization
CHICAGO PUBLIC MEDIA INC

Employer identification number
36-3687394

Part I Questions Regarding Compensation

1a Check the appropriate box(es) if the organization provided any of the following to or for a person listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a. Complete Part III to provide any relevant information regarding these items.

<input type="checkbox"/> First-class or charter travel	<input type="checkbox"/> Housing allowance or residence for personal use
<input type="checkbox"/> Travel for companions	<input type="checkbox"/> Payments for business use of personal residence
<input type="checkbox"/> Tax idemnification and gross-up payments	<input type="checkbox"/> Health or social club dues or initiation fees
<input type="checkbox"/> Discretionary spending account	<input type="checkbox"/> Personal services (e.g., maid, chauffeur, chef)

b If any of the boxes on Line 1a are checked, did the organization follow a written policy regarding payment or reimbursement or provision of all of the expenses described above? If "No," complete Part III to explain

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

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

- | | |
|---|---|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Compensation committee | <input type="checkbox"/> Written employment contract |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Independent compensation consultant | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Compensation survey or study |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form 990 of other organizations | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Approval by the board or compensation committee |

4 During the year, did any person listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, with respect to the filing organization or a related organization:

- a** Receive a severance payment or change-of-control payment?
 - b** Participate in, or receive payment from, a supplemental nonqualified retirement plan?
 - c** Participate in, or receive payment from, an equity-based compensation arrangement?
- If "Yes" to any of lines 4a-c, list the persons and provide the applicable amounts for each item in Part III.

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

5 For persons listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization pay or accrue any compensation contingent on the revenues of:

- a** The organization?
 - b** Any related organization?
- If "Yes," on line 5a or 5b, describe in Part III.

6 For persons listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization pay or accrue any compensation contingent on the net earnings of:

- a** The organization?
 - b** Any related organization?
- If "Yes," on line 6a or 6b, describe in Part III.

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

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

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

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

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

For each individual whose compensation must be reported on Schedule J, report compensation from the organization on row (i) and from related organizations, described in the instructions, on row (ii). Do not list any individuals that are not listed on Form 990, Part VII.

Note. The sum of columns (B)(i)-(iii) for each listed individual must equal the total amount of Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, applicable column (D) and (E) amounts for that individual.

(A) Name and Title		(B) Breakdown of W-2, 1099-MISC compensation, and/or 1099-NEC			(C) Retirement and other deferred compensation	(D) Nontaxable benefits	(E) Total of columns (B)(i)-(D)	(F) Compensation in column (B) reported as deferred on prior Form 990
		(i) Base compensation	(ii) Bonus & incentive compensation	(iii) Other reportable compensation				
1 MATTHEW MOOG CEO - THRU 09/2024	(i)	407,378	240,188	257,344	13,800	24,765	943,475	0
	(ii)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2 RINA DEDHIA CFO	(i)	332,877	70,000	0	13,800	24,057	440,734	0
	(ii)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
3 CYNTHIA PHOTOS ABBOTT CHIEF LEGAL OFFICER	(i)	279,975	70,000	0	13,160	16,654	379,789	0
	(ii)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
4 DEBRA CHAMRA SVP, FINANCE AND ACCOUNTING	(i)	210,296	15,000	0	9,336	15,833	250,465	0
	(ii)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
5 MELISSA BELL CEO - BEG. 09/2024	(i)	184,922	0	0	0	5,865	190,787	0
	(ii)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
6 TRACY BROWN CHIEF PARTNERSHIPS OFFICER	(i)	297,728	70,000	0	13,509	7,842	389,079	0
	(ii)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
7 LORI MALATESTA CHIEF PEOPLE OFFICER	(i)	253,322	70,000	0	6,831	16,539	346,692	0
	(ii)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
8 LUCY KIM CHIEF ADVANCEMENT OFFICER	(i)	228,084	0	0	6,800	15,031	249,915	0
	(ii)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
9 STEPHEN WRIGHT VP OF TECHNOLOGY AND OPERATIONS	(i)	231,640	25,000	0	10,130	7,770	274,540	0
	(ii)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
10 GILBERT BAILON EXECUTIVE EDITOR	(i)	236,817	0	0	0	15,930	252,747	0
	(ii)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
11 HEIDI GOLDFEIN VP OF PROGRAMMING	(i)	162,888	8,000	0	7,084	23,338	201,310	0
	(ii)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
12 KATE VERRANT ASSISTANT GENERAL COUNSEL	(i)	180,357	0	0	2,277	15,276	197,910	0
	(ii)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
13 FRANK SHARPE DIRECTOR OF PRODUCT ENGINEERING	(i)	156,602	0	0	0	15,717	172,319	0
	(ii)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Part III Supplemental Information

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

Return Reference	Explanation
Schedule J, Part I, Line 7 Non-fixed payments	SOME OF THE EXECUTIVE BONUSES ARE CONTINGENT ON REACHING REVENUE AND NET EARNINGS TARGETS, AMONG OTHER FACTORS. BONUSES ARE APPROVED WITH DISCRETION BY THE COMPENSATION COMMITTEE OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS. PRIOR CEO RECEIVED A ONE-TIME RETENTION PAYMENT OF \$257,344 THAT WAS PAID THROUGH PAYROLL AND INCLUDED IN OTHER REPORTABLE COMPENSATION.

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**Schedule K
(Form 990)**

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Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Supplemental Information on Tax-Exempt Bonds

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part VI, line 24a. Provide descriptions, explanations, and any additional information in Part VI.

Attach to Form 990.

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Part I Bond Issues

(a) Issuer name	(b) Issuer EIN	(c) CUSIP #	(d) Date issued	(e) Issue price	(f) Description of purpose	(g) Defeased		(h) On behalf of issuer		(i) Pool financing	
						Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
A ILLINOIS FINANCE AUTHORITY	86-1091967	45200BRJ9	10-01-2005	22,000,000	FINANCE THE EXPANSION, CONSTRUCTION, RENOVATION AND EQUIPPING OF FACILITIES		X		X		X

Part II Proceeds

	A	B	C	D
1 Amount of bonds retired				
2 Amount of bonds legally defeased				
3 Total proceeds of issue	22,000,000			
4 Gross proceeds in reserve funds				
5 Capitalized interest from proceeds	1,843,050			
6 Proceeds in refunding escrows	7,252,347			
7 Issuance costs from proceeds	256,332			
8 Credit enhancement from proceeds	209,321			
9 Working capital expenditures from proceeds				
10 Capital expenditures from proceeds	12,438,950			
11 Other spent proceeds				
12 Other unspent proceeds				
13 Year of substantial completion	2005			
	Yes	No	Yes	No
14 Were the bonds issued as part of a current refunding issue of tax-exempt bonds (or, if issued prior to 2020, a current refunding issue)?	X			
15 Were the bonds issued as part of an advance refunding issue of taxable bonds (or, if issued prior to 2020, an advance refunding issue)?		X		
16 Has the final allocation of proceeds been made?	X			
17 Does the organization maintain adequate books and records to support the final allocation of proceeds?	X			

Part III Private Business Use

	A		B		C		D	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
1 Was the organization a partner in a partnership, or a member of an LLC, which owned property financed by tax-exempt bonds?		X						
2 Are there any lease arrangements that may result in private business use of bond-financed property?		X						
3a Are there any management or service contracts that may result in private business use of bond-financed property?		X						
b If "Yes" to line 3a, does the organization routinely engage bond counsel or other outside counsel to review any management or service contracts relating to the financed property?		X						
c Are there any research agreements that may result in private business use of bond-financed property?		X						
d If "Yes" to line 3c, does the organization routinely engage bond counsel or other outside counsel to review any research agreements relating to the financed property?		X						
4 Enter the percentage of financed property used in a private business use by entities other than a section 501(c)(3) organization or a state or local government	0 %							
5 Enter the percentage of financed property used in a private business use as a result of unrelated trade or business activity carried on by your organization, another section 501(c)(3) organization, or a state or local government	0 %							
6 Total of lines 4 and 5	0 %							
7 Does the bond issue meet the private security or payment test?		X						
8a Has there been a sale or disposition of any of the bond-financed property to a nongovernmental person other than a 501(c)(3) organization since the bonds were issued?		X						
b If "Yes" to line 8a, enter the percentage of bond-financed property sold or disposed of.	0 %							
c If "Yes" to line 8a, was any remedial action taken pursuant to Regulations sections 1.141-12 and 1.145-2?		X						
9 Has the organization established written procedures to ensure that all nonqualified bonds of the issue are remediated in accordance with the requirements under Regulations sections 1.141-12 and 1.145-2?	X							

Part IV Arbitrage

	A		B		C		D	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
1 Has the issuer filed Form 8038-T, Arbitrage Rebate, Yield Reduction and Penalty in Lieu of Arbitrage Rebate?		X						
2 If "No" to line 1, did the following apply?								
a Rebate not due yet?		X						
b Exception to rebate?	X							
c No rebate due?		X						
If "Yes" to line 2c, provide in Part VI the date the rebate computation was performed								
3 Is the bond issue a variable rate issue?	X							

Part IV Arbitrage (Continued)

	A		B		C		D	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
4a Has the organization or the governmental issuer entered into a qualified hedge with respect to the bond issue?		X						
b Name of provider								
c Term of hedge	0 %							
d Was the hedge superintegrated?		X						
e Was the hedge terminated?		X						
5a Were gross proceeds invested in a guaranteed investment contract (GIC)?		X						
b Name of provider								
c Term of GIC	0 %							
d Was the regulatory safe harbor for establishing the fair market value of the GIC satisfied?		X						
6 Were any gross proceeds invested beyond an available temporary period?		X						
7 Has the organization established written procedures to monitor the requirements of section 148?	X							

Part V Procedures To Undertake Corrective Action

	A		B		C		D	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Has the organization established written procedures to ensure that violations of federal tax requirements are timely identified and corrected through the voluntary closing agreement program if self-remediation is not available under applicable regulations?	X							

Part VI Supplemental Information. Provide additional information for responses to questions on Schedule K. (See instructions).

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Schedule L

(Form 990)

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Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Transactions with Interested Persons

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, lines 25a, 25b, 26, 27, 28a, 28b, or 28c, or Form 990-EZ, Part V, line 38a or 40b.

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Part I Excess Benefit Transactions (section 501(c)(3), section 501(c)(4), and section 501(c)(29) organizations only).

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 25a or 25b, or Form 990-EZ, Part V, line 40b.

1	(a) Name of disqualified person	(b) Relationship between disqualified person and organization	(c) Description of transaction	(d) Corrected?	
				Yes	No

- 2 Enter the amount of tax incurred by the organization managers or disqualified persons during the year under section 4958. _____
- 3 Enter the amount of tax, if any, on line 2, above, reimbursed by the organization \$ _____

Part II Loans to and/or From Interested Persons.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990-EZ, Part V, line 38a, or Form 990, Part IV, line 26; or if the organization reported an amount on Form 990, Part X, line 5, 6, or 22

(a) Name of interested person	(b) Relationship with organization	(c) Purpose of loan	(d) Loan to or from the organization?		(e) Original principal amount	(f) Balance due	(g) In default?		(h) Approved by board or committee?		(i) Written agreement?	
			To	From			Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No

Total \$ _____

Part III Grants or Assistance Benefiting Interested Persons.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 27.

(a) Name of interested person	(b) Relationship between interested person and the organization	(c) Amount of assistance	(d) Type of assistance	(e) Purpose of assistance

Part IV Business Transactions Involving Interested Persons.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 28a, 28b, or 28c.

(a) Name of interested person	(b) Relationship between interested person and the organization	(c) Amount of transaction	(d) Description of transaction	(e) Sharing of organization's revenues?	
				Yes	No
(1) MATTHEW MOOG	FORMER CEO AND BOARD CHAIR	107,227	CPM PAID WAVETABLE STUDIOS LLC, WHICH IS OWNED BY CPM'S FORMER CEO, FOR TRANSITIONAL SERVICES HE PROVIDED FOR BOTH CPM AND CSTM, A RELATED ORGANIZATION, AFTER HIS DEPARTURE FROM CPM. CSTM REIMBURSED \$107,227 OF THE TOTAL PAYMENTS. THIS TRANSACTION FOLLOWED CPM'S STANDARD ACCOUNTS PAYABLE PROCESS AND WAS APPROVED BY THE CPM EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AND BOARD OF DIRECTORS.		No

Part V Supplemental Information

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

Return Reference	Explanation
Schedule L, Part IV, Column (a)	CPM paid Wavetable Studios LLC which is owned by CPM's former CEO for transitional services after his departure from CPM. This transaction followed CPM's standard accounts payable process and was approved by the Executive Committee and the Board of Directors.

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Noncash Contributions

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- ▶ **Complete if the organizations answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, lines 29 or 30.**
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Department of the Treasury
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Part I Types of Property

	(a) Check if applicable	(b) Number of contributions or items contributed	(c) Noncash contribution amounts reported on Form 990, Part VIII, line 1g	(d) Method of determining noncash contribution amounts
1 Art—Works of art				
2 Art—Historical treasures				
3 Art—Fractional interests				
4 Books and publications				
5 Clothing and household goods				
6 Cars and other vehicles				
7 Boats and planes				
8 Intellectual property				
9 Securities—Publicly traded		34	1,134,738	Market value
10 Securities—Closely held stock				
11 Securities—Partnership, LLC, or trust interests				
12 Securities—Miscellaneous				
13 Qualified conservation contribution—Historic structures				
14 Qualified conservation contribution—Other				
15 Real estate—Residential				
16 Real estate—Commercial				
17 Real estate—Other				
18 Collectibles				
19 Food inventory				
20 Drugs and medical supplies				
21 Taxidermy				
22 Historical artifacts				
23 Scientific specimens				
24 Archeological artifacts				
25 Other ▶ (_____)				
26 Other ▶ (_____)				
27 Other ▶ (_____)				
28 Other ▶ (_____)				

29 Number of Forms 8283 received by the organization during the tax year for contributions for which the organization completed Form 8283, Part IV, Donee Acknowledgement 29

	Yes	No
30a During the year, did the organization receive by contribution any property reported in Part I, lines 1 through 28, that it must hold for at least three years from the date of the initial contribution, and which isn't required to be used for exempt purposes for the entire holding period? If "Yes," describe the arrangement in Part II.		No
31 Does the organization have a gift acceptance policy that requires the review of any nonstandard contributions?	Yes	
32a Does the organization hire or use third parties or related organizations to solicit, process, or sell noncash contributions? If "Yes," describe in Part II.	Yes	
33 If the organization didn't report an amount in column (c) for a type of property for which column (a) is checked, describe in Part II.		

Part III Supplemental Information. Provide the information required by Part I, lines 30b, 32b, and 33, and whether the organization is reporting in Part I, column (b), the number of contributions, the number of items received, or a combination of both. Also complete this part for any additional information.

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Schedule M, Part I, Line 32b Third parties used to solicit, process, or sell noncash contributions	CHICAGO PUBLIC MEDIA WORKS WITH CHARITABLE ADULT RIDES AND SERVICES (CARS) TO PROCESS CAR DONATIONS. DONORS SUBMIT THEIR VEHICLE INFORMATION ONLINE AT WBEZ.CAREASY.ORG OR WBEZ.ORG/CARS AT WHICH POINT CARS REACHES OUT TO DONORS TO OBTAIN INFORMATION TO CHANGE THE TITLE NAME. CARS IS RESPONSIBLE FOR SELLING THE DONATED VEHICLES AND FILING THE CORRESPONDING 1098-C FORMS. ONCE CASH PROCEEDS ARE COLLECTED FROM SALES, CARS KEEPS A PERCENTAGE FOR PROCESSING FEES AND REMITS THE NET AMOUNT TO CHICAGO PUBLIC MEDIA.

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SCHEDULE O
(Form 990)(Rev. January 2025)
Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service**Supplemental Information to Form 990 or 990-EZ****Complete to provide information for responses to specific questions on
Form 990 or 990-EZ or to provide any additional information.
Attach to Form 990 or 990-EZ.**Go to www.irs.gov/Form990 for instructions and the latest information.

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CHICAGO PUBLIC MEDIA INC

Employer identification number

36-3687394

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Form 990, Part VI, Line 11b Review of form 990 by governing body	THE INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS PRESENT THE RETURN TO THE FINANCE COMMITTEE, IN CONSULTATION WITH THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER AND THE CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER, BEFORE IT IS FILED WITH THE IRS. THE FINANCE COMMITTEE, THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER AND THE CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER REVIEW THE RETURN. AFTER THIS REVIEW, BUT PRIOR TO FILING WITH THE IRS, THE FORM 990 WAS DISTRIBUTED TO ALL BOARD MEMBERS.
Form 990, Part VI, Line 12c Conflict of interest policy	THE STATION REQUESTS YEARLY UPDATES OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST STATEMENTS FROM EACH MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND SENIOR STAFF. AT EACH BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND COMMITTEE MEETING, AT THE TOP OF THE AGENDA IS A REQUEST FOR DIRECTORS TO DECLARE ANY CONFLICT OF INTEREST BASED ON ANY AGENDA ITEMS TO BE DISCUSSED AT THE MEETING.
Form 990, Part VI, Line 15a Process to establish compensation of top management official	THE COMPENSATION COMMITTEE OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS, COMPRISED OF INDEPENDENT DIRECTORS, REVIEWED AND APPROVED THE COMPENSATION OF THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER AND REVIEWED THE ADEQUACY AND REASONABLENESS OF THE COMPENSATION OF THE SENIOR EXECUTIVES. THE PROCESS INCLUDED REVIEW OF A REPORT PREPARED BY AN INDEPENDENT CONSULTANT ANALYZING COMPENSATION DATA FROM COMPARABLE ORGANIZATIONS. THE ORGANIZATION HIRES AN INDEPENDENT COMPENSATION CONSULTANT TO PREPARE THE ABOVE MENTIONED REPORT ONCE EVERY TWO TO THREE YEARS. THE REPORT IS UPDATED ANNUALLY. THE DELIBERATIONS AND DECISIONS OF THE COMPENSATION COMMITTEE ARE DOCUMENTED IN THE COMPENSATION COMMITTEE'S MEETING MINUTES. THE COMPENSATION COMMITTEE MEETS ANNUALLY TO REVIEW AND APPROVE THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER AND SENIOR EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION.
Form 990, Part VI, Line 19 Required documents available to the public	REQUESTS FOR DOCUMENTS RECEIVED BY THE PUBLIC ARE SUPPLIED FOR THE SAME PERIOD OF DISCLOSURE AS SET FORTH IN IRC SECTION 6104(D). IN ADDITION ON OUR WEBSITE, (WWW.WBEZ.ORG) POSTED IN THE ABOUT SECTION, UNDER THE SUBHEADING, PUBLIC & FINANCIAL DOCUMENTS, WE HYPERLINK TO OUR AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, FORM 990, GOVERNING DOCUMENTS, AND VARIOUS POLICIES, INCLUDING OUR CONFLICT OF INTEREST POLICY, OPEN MEETINGS POLICY, AND OPEN FINANCIAL RECORDS POLICY.
Form 990, Part IX, Line 11g OTHER FEES:	DIGITAL DEVELOPMENT CONSULTING: PROGRAM SERVICE EXPENSES 0. MANAGEMENT AND GENERAL EXPENSES 0. FUNDRAISING EXPENSES 6,626. TOTAL EXPENSES 6,626. EXTERNAL COMMISSIONS: PROGRAM SERVICE EXPENSES 0. MANAGEMENT AND GENERAL EXPENSES 0. FUNDRAISING EXPENSES 1,163,157. TOTAL EXPENSES 1,163,157. FREELANCERS: PROGRAM SERVICE EXPENSES 229,922. MANAGEMENT AND GENERAL EXPENSES 0. FUNDRAISING EXPENSES 49,404. TOTAL EXPENSES 279,326. CONSULTANTS: PROGRAM SERVICE EXPENSES 86,569. MANAGEMENT AND GENERAL EXPENSES 191,190. FUNDRAISING EXPENSES 210,159. TOTAL EXPENSES 487,918. RECRUITMENT: PROGRAM SERVICE EXPENSES 0. MANAGEMENT AND GENERAL EXPENSES 125,597. FUNDRAISING EXPENSES 0. TOTAL EXPENSES 125,597. OUTSOURCED ENGINEERING SERVICES: PROGRAM SERVICE EXPENSES 0. MANAGEMENT AND GENERAL EXPENSES 0. FUNDRAISING EXPENSES 1,700. TOTAL EXPENSES 1,700. TOTAL OTHER FEES ON FORM 990, PART IX, LINE 11G, COL A 2,064,323.
Form 990, Part XI, Line 9 Other changes in net assets or fund balances	CHANGE IN VALUE OF INTEREST RATE SWAP AGREEMENT - -570253; Total - -570253;

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**SCHEDULE R
(Form 990)**

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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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Name of the organization
CHICAGO PUBLIC MEDIA INC

Employer identification number

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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
(1) CPR COMMUNICATIONS SERVICES LLC 848 E GRAND AVENUE NAVY PIER CHICAGO, IL 60611 26-2192342	PROPERTY HOLDER	IL	181,692	1,794,267	CHICAGO PUBLIC MEDIA INC

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)CHICAGO SUN-TIMES MEDIA INC 848 E GRAND AVENUE NAVY PIER CHICAGO, IL 60611 87-4304197	PROVIDING NEWS AND INFORMATION TO EDUCATE AND INFORM THE PUBLIC	DE	501(c)(3)	7	CHICAGO PUBLIC MEDIA INC	Yes	

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

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

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

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

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

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

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)

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

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

(a) Name of related organization	(b) Transaction type (a-s)	(c) Amount involved	(d) Method of determining amount involved
(1) CHICAGO SUN-TIMES MEDIA INC	0	5,129,059	COST

Part VII Supplemental Information

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

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