

2012 TAX RETURN

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Form **8879-EO**

IRS e-file Signature Authorization for an Exempt Organization

OMB No. 1545-1878

For calendar year 2012, or fiscal year beginning _____, 2012, and ending _____.

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Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

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Name of exempt organization

Employer identification number

CREATIVE COMMONS CORPORATION

04-3585301

Name and title of officer

CATHERINE CASSERLY

CEO

Part I Type of Return and Return Information (Whole Dollars Only)

Check the box for the return for which you are using this Form 8879-EO and enter the applicable amount, if any, from the return. If you check the box on line **1a**, **2a**, **3a**, **4a**, or **5a**, below, and the amount on that line for the return being filed with this form was blank, then leave line **1b**, **2b**, **3b**, **4b**, or **5b**, whichever is applicable, blank (do not enter -0-). But, if you entered -0- on the return, then enter -0- on the applicable line below. **Do not** complete more than 1 line in Part I.

1 a Form 990 check here	▶ <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	b Total revenue , if any (Form 990, Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	1 b <u>1,128,968.</u>
2 a Form 990-EZ check here	▶ <input type="checkbox"/>	b Total revenue , if any (Form 990-EZ, line 9)	2 b _____
3 a Form 1120-POL check here	▶ <input type="checkbox"/>	b Total tax (Form 1120-POL, line 22)	3 b _____
4 a Form 990-PF check here	▶ <input type="checkbox"/>	b Tax based on investment income (Form 990-PF, Part VI, line 5)	4 b _____
5 a Form 8868 check here	▶ <input type="checkbox"/>	b Balance Due (Form 8868, Part I, line 3c or Part II, line 8c)	5 b _____

Part II Declaration and Signature Authorization of Officer

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I am an officer of the above organization and that I have examined a copy of the organization's 2012 electronic return and accompanying schedules and statements and to the best of my knowledge and belief, they are true, correct, and complete. I further declare that the amount in Part I above is the amount shown on the copy of the organization's electronic return. I consent to allow my intermediate service provider, transmitter, or electronic return originator (ERO) to send the organization's return to the IRS and to receive from the IRS (a) an acknowledgement of receipt or reason for rejection of the transmission, (b) the reason for any delay in processing the return or refund, and (c) the date of any refund. If applicable, I authorize the U.S. Treasury and its designated Financial Agent to initiate an electronic funds withdrawal (direct debit) entry to the financial institution account indicated in the tax preparation software for payment of the organization's federal taxes owed on this return, and the financial institution to debit the entry to this account. To revoke a payment, I must contact the U.S. Treasury Financial Agent at 1-888-353-4537 no later than 2 business days prior to the payment (settlement) date. I also authorize the financial institutions involved in the processing of the electronic payment of taxes to receive confidential information necessary to answer inquiries and resolve issues related to the payment. I have selected a personal identification number (PIN) as my signature for the organization's electronic return and, if applicable, the organization's consent to electronic funds withdrawal.

Officer's PIN: check one box only

I authorize GOOD & FOWLER, LLP to enter my PIN 11445 as my signature
ERO firm name Enter five numbers, but do not enter all zeros

on the organization's tax year 2012 electronically filed return. If I have indicated within this return that a copy of the return is being filed with a state agency(ies) regulating charities as part of the IRS Fed/State program, I also authorize the aforementioned ERO to enter my PIN on the return's disclosure consent screen.

As an officer of the organization, I will enter my PIN as my signature on the organization's tax year 2012 electronically filed return. If I have indicated within this return that a copy of the return is being filed with a state agency(ies) regulating charities as part of the IRS Fed/State program, I will enter my PIN on the return's disclosure consent screen.

Officer's signature ▶ _____ Date ▶ _____

Part III Certification and Authentication

ERO's EFIN/PIN. Enter your six-digit electronic filing identification number (EFIN) followed by your five-digit self-selected PIN 94103794044
do not enter all zeros

I certify that the above numeric entry is my PIN, which is my signature on the 2012 electronically filed return for the organization indicated above. I confirm that I am submitting this return in accordance with the requirements of **Pub 4163**, Modernized e-File (MeF) Information for Authorized IRS e-file Providers for Business Returns.

ERO's signature ▶ _____ Date ▶ _____

**ERO Must Retain This Form – See Instructions
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BAA For Paperwork Reduction Act Notice, see instructions.

Form **8879-EO**

Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

Under section 501(c), 527, or 4947(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code (except black lung benefit trust or private foundation)

2012

Open to Public Inspection

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

▶ The organization may have to use a copy of this return to satisfy state reporting requirements.

A For the 2012 calendar year, or tax year beginning		, 2012, and ending	
B Check if applicable: <input type="checkbox"/> Address change <input type="checkbox"/> Name change <input type="checkbox"/> Initial return <input type="checkbox"/> Terminated <input type="checkbox"/> Amended return <input type="checkbox"/> Application pending	C CREATIVE COMMONS CORPORATION 444 CASTRO STREET #900 MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA 94041		D Employer Identification Number 04-3585301
			E Telephone number (650) 294-4732
			G Gross receipts \$ 1,128,968.
F Name and address of principal officer: CATHERINE CASSERLY SAME AS C ABOVE		H(a) Is this a group return for affiliates? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	H(b) Are all affiliates included? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <small>If 'No,' attach a list. (see instructions)</small>
I Tax-exempt status <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 501(c)(3) <input type="checkbox"/> 501(c) () (insert no.) <input type="checkbox"/> 4947(a)(1) or <input type="checkbox"/> 527	J Website: WWW.CREATIVECOMMONS.ORG		H(c) Group exemption number ▶
K Form of organization: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Corporation <input type="checkbox"/> Trust <input type="checkbox"/> Association <input type="checkbox"/> Other ▶	L Year of Formation: 2002	M State of legal domicile: MA	

Part I Summary			
Activities & Governance	1	Briefly describe the organization's mission or most significant activities: <u>CHARITABLE AND EDUCATIONAL PURPOSES WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 501(C)(3) OF THE IRC, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, DESIGNING METHODS AND TECHNOLOGIES THAT FACILITATE SHARING OF EDUCATIONAL, SCIENTIFIC, CREATIVE, AND OTHER INTELLECTUAL WORKS WITH THE GENERAL PUBLIC.</u>	
	2	Check this box <input type="checkbox"/> if the organization discontinued its operations or disposed of more than 25% of its net assets.	
	3	Number of voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1a)	17
	4	Number of independent voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1b)	17
	5	Total number of individuals employed in calendar year 2012 (Part V, line 2a)	27
	6	Total number of volunteers (estimate if necessary)	8
	7a	Total unrelated business revenue from Part VIII, column (C), line 12	0.
7b	Net unrelated business taxable income from Form 990-T, line 34	0.	
Revenue	8	Contributions and grants (Part VIII, line 1h)	9,742,864.
	9	Program service revenue (Part VIII, line 2g)	21,081.
	10	Investment income (Part VIII, column (A), lines 3, 4, and 7d)	31.
	11	Other revenue (Part VIII, column (A), lines 5, 6d, 8c, 9c, 10c, and 11e)	82,548.
	12	Total revenue – add lines 8 through 11 (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	9,846,493.
Expenses	13	Grants and similar amounts paid (Part IX, column (A), lines 1-3)	25,333.
	14	Benefits paid to or for members (Part IX, column (A), line 4)	
	15	Salaries, other compensation, employee benefits (Part IX, column (A), lines 5-10)	2,471,884.
	16a	Professional fundraising fees (Part IX, column (A), line 11e)	
	16b	Total fundraising expenses (Part IX, column (D), line 25) ▶ 475,665.	
17	Other expenses (Part IX, column (A), lines 11a-11d, 11f-24e)	3,295,857.	
18	Total expenses. Add lines 13-17 (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	5,793,074.	
19	Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 18 from line 12	4,053,419.	
Net Assets or Fund Balances	20	Total assets (Part X, line 16)	10,419,288.
	21	Total liabilities (Part X, line 26)	891,292.
	22	Net assets or fund balances. Subtract line 21 from line 20	9,527,996.

Part II Signature Block

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined this return, including accompanying schedules and statements, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete. Declaration of preparer (other than officer) is based on all information of which preparer has any knowledge.

Sign Here	Signature of officer	Date	
	CATHERINE CASSERLY		CEO
Paid Preparer Use Only	Print/Type preparer's name	Preparer's signature	Date
	BRUCE J. WRIGHT		
	Firm's name	Firm's address	Firm's EIN
GOOD & FOWLER, LLP	262 GRAND AVENUE	94-1262196	
	SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94080	Phone no. (650) 872-7600	

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

Part III Statement of Program Service Accomplishments

Check if Schedule O contains a response to any question in this Part III [X]

1 Briefly describe the organization's mission:

SEE SCHEDULE O

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 [X] 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 [X] 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 and section 4947(a)(1) trusts 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 \$ 3,041,587. including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)

SEE SCHEDULE O

4b (Code:) (Expenses \$ 701,204. including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)

SEE SCHEDULE O

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 3,742,791.

Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules

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

Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules (continued)

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

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Part V Statements Regarding Other IRS Filings and Tax Compliance

Check if Schedule O contains a response to any question in this Part V.

		Yes	No
1 a	Enter the number reported in Box 3 of Form 1096. Enter -0- if not applicable. 1 a 14		
1 b	Enter the number of Forms W-2G included in line 1a. Enter -0- if not applicable. 1 b 0		
1 c	Did the organization comply with backup withholding rules for reportable payments to vendors and reportable gaming (gambling) winnings to prize winners? 1 c X	X	
2 a	Enter the number of employees reported on Form W-3, Transmittal of Wage and Tax Statements, filed for the calendar year ending with or within the year covered by this return. 2 a 27		
2 b	If at least one is reported on line 2a, did the organization file all required federal employment tax returns? Note. If the sum of lines 1a and 2a is greater than 250, you may be required to e-file. (see instructions) 2 b X	X	
3 a	Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year? 3 a 		X
3 b	If 'Yes' has it filed a Form 990-T for this year? If 'No,' provide an explanation in Schedule O. 3 b 		
4 a	At any time during the calendar year, did the organization have an interest in, or a signature or other authority over, a financial account in a foreign country (such as a bank account, securities account, or other financial account)? 4 a 		X
4 b	If 'Yes,' enter the name of the foreign country: See instructions for filing requirements for Form TD F 90-22.1, Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts. 4 b 		
5 a	Was the organization a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction at any time during the tax year? 5 a 		X
5 b	Did any taxable party notify the organization that it was or is a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction? 5 b 		X
5 c	If 'Yes,' to line 5a or 5b, did the organization file Form 8886-T? 5 c 		
6 a	Does the organization have annual gross receipts that are normally greater than \$100,000, and did the organization solicit any contributions that were not tax deductible as charitable contributions? 6 a 		X
6 b	If 'Yes,' did the organization include with every solicitation an express statement that such contributions or gifts were not tax deductible? 6 b 		
7	Organizations that may receive deductible contributions under section 170(c).		
7 a	Did the organization receive a payment in excess of \$75 made partly as a contribution and partly for goods and services provided to the payor? 7 a 		X
7 b	If 'Yes,' did the organization notify the donor of the value of the goods or services provided? 7 b 		
7 c	Did the organization sell, exchange, or otherwise dispose of tangible personal property for which it was required to file Form 8282? 7 c 		X
7 d	If 'Yes,' indicate the number of Forms 8282 filed during the year. 7 d 		
7 e	Did the organization receive any funds, directly or indirectly, to pay premiums on a personal benefit contract? 7 e 		X
7 f	Did the organization, during the year, pay premiums, directly or indirectly, on a personal benefit contract? 7 f 		X
7 g	If the organization received a contribution of qualified intellectual property, did the organization file Form 8899 as required? 7 g 		
7 h	If the organization received a contribution of cars, boats, airplanes, or other vehicles, did the organization file a Form 1098-C? 7 h 		
8	Sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds and section 509(a)(3) supporting organizations. Did the supporting organization, or a donor advised fund maintained by a sponsoring organization, have excess business holdings at any time during the year? 8 		
9	Sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds.		
9 a	Did the organization make any taxable distributions under section 4966? 9 a 		
9 b	Did the organization make a distribution to a donor, donor advisor, or related person? 9 b 		
10	Section 501(c)(7) organizations. Enter:		
10 a	Initiation fees and capital contributions included on Part VIII, line 12. 10 a 		
10 b	Gross receipts, included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, for public use of club facilities. 10 b 		
11	Section 501(c)(12) organizations. Enter:		
11 a	Gross income from members or shareholders. 11 a 		
11 b	Gross income from other sources (Do not net amounts due or paid to other sources against amounts due or received from them.) 11 b 		
12 a	Section 4947(a)(1) non-exempt charitable trusts. Is the organization filing Form 990 in lieu of Form 1041? 12 a 		
12 b	If 'Yes,' enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the year. 12 b 		
13	Section 501(c)(29) qualified nonprofit health insurance issuers.		
13 a	Is the organization licensed to issue qualified health plans in more than one state? Note. See the instructions for additional information the organization must report on Schedule O. 13 a 		
13 b	Enter the amount of reserves the organization is required to maintain by the states in which the organization is licensed to issue qualified health plans. 13 b 		
13 c	Enter the amount of reserves on hand. 13 c 		
14 a	Did the organization receive any payments for indoor tanning services during the tax year? 14 a 		X
14 b	If 'Yes,' has it filed a Form 720 to report these payments? If 'No,' provide an explanation in Schedule O. 14 b 		

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

Check if Schedule O contains a response to any question in this Part VI

Section A. Governing Body and Management

		Yes	No
1 a	Enter the number of voting members of the governing body at the end of the tax year. 1 a 17 If there are material differences in voting rights among members of the governing body, or if the governing body delegated broad authority to an executive committee or similar committee, explain in Schedule O.		
1 b	Enter the number of voting members included in line 1a, above, who are independent 1 b 17		
2	Did any officer, director, trustee, or key employee have a family relationship or a business relationship with any other officer, director, trustee or key employee? 2 SEE SCHEDULE O	X	
3	Did the organization delegate control over management duties customarily performed by or under the direct supervision of officers, directors or trustees, or key employees to a management company or other person? 3		X
4	Did the organization make any significant changes to its governing documents since the prior Form 990 was filed? 4		X
5	Did the organization become aware during the year of a significant diversion of the organization's assets? 5		X
6	Did the organization have members or stockholders? 6		X
7 a	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? 7 a		X
7 b	Are any governance decisions of the organization reserved to (or subject to approval by) members, stockholders, or other persons other than the governing body? 7 b		X
8	Did the organization contemporaneously document the meetings held or written actions undertaken during the year by the following:		
8 a	a The governing body? 8 a	X	
8 b	b Each committee with authority to act on behalf of the governing body? 8 b	X	
9	Is there any officer, director or 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. 9		X

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

		Yes	No
10 a	Did the organization have local chapters, branches, or affiliates? 10 a		X
10 b	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? 10 b		
11 a	Has the organization provided a complete copy of this Form 990 to all members of its governing body before filing the form? 11 a	X	
11 b	Describe in Schedule O the process, if any, used by the organization to review this Form 990. SEE SCHEDULE O		
12 a	Did the organization have a written conflict of interest policy? If 'No,' go to line 13. 12 a	X	
12 b	Were officers, directors or trustees, and key employees required to disclose annually interests that could give rise to conflicts? 12 b	X	
12 c	Did the organization regularly and consistently monitor and enforce compliance with the policy? If 'Yes,' describe in Schedule O how this is done 12 c SEE SCHEDULE O	X	
13	Did the organization have a written whistleblower policy? 13	X	
14	Did the organization have a written document retention and destruction policy? 14		X
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?		
15 a	a The organization's CEO, Executive Director, or top management official. 15 a	X	
15 b	b Other officers of key employees of the organization. 15 b SEE SCHEDULE O. If 'Yes' to line 15a or 15b, describe the process in Schedule O. (See instructions.)	X	
16 a	Did the organization invest in, contribute assets to, or participate in a joint venture or similar arrangement with a taxable entity during the year? 16 a		X
16 b	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 taken steps to safeguard the organization's exempt status with respect to such arrangements? 16 b		

Section C. Disclosure

- 17** List the states with which a copy of this Form 990 is required to be filed ▶ CA MA
- 18** Section 6104 requires an organization to make its Forms 1023 (or 1024 if applicable), 990, and 990-T (501(c)(3)s only) available for public inspection. Indicate how you make 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 makes its governing documents, conflict of interest policy, and financial statements available to the public during the tax year. **SEE SCHEDULE O**
- 20** State the name, physical address, and telephone number of the person who possesses the books and records of the organization:
 ▶ CATHERINE CASSERLY 444 CASTRO STREET, SUITE 900 MOUNTAIN VIEW CA 94041 (650) 294-4732

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

Check if Schedule O contains a response to any question in this Part VII.

Section A. Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees

1 a Complete this table for all persons required to be listed. Report compensation for the calendar year ending with or within the organization's tax year.

- List all of the organization's **current** officers, directors, trustees (whether individuals or organizations), regardless of amount of compensation. Enter -0- in columns (D), (E), and (F) if no compensation was paid.
- List all of the organization's **current** key employees, if any. See instructions for definition of 'key employee.'
- List the organization's five **current** highest compensated employees (other than an officer, director, trustee, or key employee) who received reportable compensation (Box 5 of Form W-2 and/or Box 7 of Form 1099-MISC) of more than \$100,000 from the organization and any related organizations.
- List all of the organization's **former** officers, key employees, and 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.

List persons in the following order: individual trustees or directors; institutional trustees; officers; key employees; highest compensated employees; and former such persons.

Check this box if neither the organization nor any related organization compensated any current officer, director, or trustee.

(A) Name and Title	(B) Average hours per week (list any hours for related organizations below dotted line)	(C) Position (do not check more than one box, unless person is both an officer and a director/trustee)						(D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W-2/1099-MISC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W-2/1099-MISC)	(F) Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations
		Individual trustee or director	Institutional trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former			
(1) PAUL BREST CHAIRMAN	5 0	X		X				0.	0.	0.
(2) ESTHER WOJCICKI VICE CHAIR	5 0	X		X				0.	0.	0.
(3) CATHERINE CASSERLY CEO	40 0	X		X			325,000.	0.	52,574.	
(4) HAL ABLESON DIRECTOR	2 0	X					0.	0.	0.	
(5) GLENN OTIS BROWN DIRECTOR	40 0	X					0.	0.	0.	
(6) MICHAEL CARROLL DIRECTOR	2 0	X					0.	0.	0.	
(7) CATERINA FAKE DIRECTOR	2 0	X					0.	0.	0.	
(8) BRIAN FITZGERALD DIRECTOR	2 0	X					0.	0.	0.	
(9) DAVIS GUGGENHEIM DIRECTOR	2 0	X					0.	0.	0.	
(10) JOI ITO DIRECTOR	2 0	X					0.	0.	0.	
(11) LAWRENCE LESSIG DIRECTOR	2 0	X					0.	0.	0.	
(12) LAURIE RACINE DIRECTOR	2 0	X					0.	0.	0.	
(13) BRIAN FITZGERALD DIRECTOR	2 0	X					0.	0.	0.	
(14) ERIC SALTZMAN DIRECTOR	2 0	X					0.	0.	0.	

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

(A) Name and title	(B) Average hours per week (list any hours for related organizations below dotted line)	(C) Position (do not check more than one box, unless person is both an officer and a director/trustee)						(D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W-2/1099-MISC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W-2/1099-MISC)	(F) Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations
		Individual trustee or director	Institutional trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former			
(15) MOLLY SHAFFER VAN HOUWELING DIRECTOR	2 0	X						0.	0.	0.
(16) ANNETTE THOMAS DIRECTOR	2 0	X						0.	0.	0.
(17) JIMMY WALES DIRECTOR	2 0	X						0.	0.	0.
(18) DIANE CABELL CORP SECRETARY	10 0	X		X				30,500.	0.	0.
(19) DIANE PETERS GENERAL COUNSEL	40 0					X		168,000.	0.	30,977.
(20) TED ROSE CONTROLLER	40 0					X		111,824.	0.	31,310.
(21) CABLE GREEN PROGRAM DIR	40 0					X		143,566.	0.	35,553.
(22) SARAH PEARSON LEGAL COUNSEL	40 0					X		102,144.	0.	20,631.
(23) JESSICA COATES NETWORK MANAGER	40 0					X		106,345.	0.	18,349.
(24)										
(25)										
1 b Sub-total								987,379.	0.	189,394.
c Total from continuation sheets to Part VII, Section A								0.	0.	0.
d Total (add lines 1b and 1c)								987,379.	0.	189,394.
2 Total number of individuals (including but not limited to those listed above) who received more than \$100,000 of reportable compensation from the organization										6

	Yes	No
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>		X
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>	X	
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>		X

Section B. Independent Contractors

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

(A) Name and business address	(B) Description of services	(C) Compensation

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

Part VIII Statement of Revenue

Check if Schedule O contains a response to any question 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, 513, or 514	
CONTRIBUTIONS, GIFTS, GRANTS AND OTHER SIMILAR AMOUNTS	1 a Federated campaigns	1 a				
	b Membership dues	1 b				
	c Fundraising events	1 c				
	d Related organizations	1 d				
	e Government grants (contributions)	1 e				
	f All other contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts not included above	1 f 1,075,644.				
	g Noncash contributions included in Ins 1a-1f: \$					
	h Total. Add lines 1a-1f ▶		1,075,644.			
PROGRAM SERVICE REVENUE	2 a <u>CONTRACTS</u>		Business Code			
			519100	21,081.	21,081.	
	b					
	c					
	d					
	e					
	f All other program service revenue					
g Total. Add lines 2a-2f ▶		21,081.				
OTHER REVENUE	3 Investment income (including dividends, interest and other similar amounts) ▶		31.		31.	
	4 Income from investment of tax-exempt bond proceeds ▶					
	5 Royalties ▶					
	6 a Gross rents	(i) Real				
		(ii) Personal				
		b Less: rental expenses				
		c Rental income or (loss)				
	d Net rental income or (loss) ▶					
	7 a Gross amount from sales of assets other than inventory	(i) Securities				
		(ii) Other				
		b Less: cost or other basis and sales expenses				
		c Gain or (loss)				
	d Net gain or (loss) ▶					
	8 a Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ _____ of contributions reported on line 1c). See Part IV, line 18	a				
		b Less: direct expenses	b			
c Net income or (loss) from fundraising events ▶						
9 a Gross income from gaming activities. See Part IV, line 19	a					
	b Less: direct expenses	b				
	c Net income or (loss) from gaming activities ▶					
10 a Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances	a					
	b Less: cost of goods sold	b				
	c Net income or (loss) from sales of inventory ▶					
Miscellaneous Revenue		Business Code				
11 a <u>OTHER INCOME</u>			31,862.		31,862.	
b <u>EURO TO DOLLARS</u>			350.		350.	
c						
d All other revenue						
e Total. Add lines 11a-11d ▶			32,212.			
12 Total revenue. See instructions ▶			1,128,968.	21,081.	0.	32,243.

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 to any question in this Part IX X

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 governments and organizations in the United States. See Part IV, line 21				
2 Grants and other assistance to individuals in the United States. See Part IV, line 22				
3 Grants and other assistance to governments, organizations, and individuals outside the United States. See Part IV, lines 15 and 16	25,000.	25,000.		
4 Benefits paid to or for members				
5 Compensation of current officers, directors, trustees, and key employees	408,074.	283,181.	68,257.	56,636.
6 Compensation not included above, to disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)) and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B)	0.	0.	0.	0.
7 Other salaries and wages	1,834,515.	1,482,441.	302,691.	49,383.
8 Pension plan accruals and contributions (include section 401(k) and section 403(b) employer contributions)				
9 Other employee benefits	219,049.	174,665.	40,099.	4,285.
10 Payroll taxes	153,658.	121,115.	25,658.	6,885.
11 Fees for services (non-employees):				
a Management				
b Legal	63,448.	50,011.	10,594.	2,843.
c Accounting	20,120.	15,858.	3,360.	902.
d Lobbying				
e Professional fundraising services. See Part IV, line 17				
f Investment management fees				
g Other. (If line 11g amt exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A) amt, list line 11g expenses on Sch O) SCH O	1,194,723.	768,557.	118,164.	308,002.
12 Advertising and promotion				
13 Office expenses	53,381.	42,080.	8,909.	2,392.
14 Information technology	28,094.	22,143.	4,692.	1,259.
15 Royalties				
16 Occupancy	349,269.	275,298.	58,321.	15,650.
17 Travel	429,077.	338,202.	71,648.	19,227.
18 Payments of travel or entertainment expenses for any federal, state, or local public officials				
19 Conferences, conventions, and meetings	897.	707.	150.	40.
20 Interest				
21 Payments to affiliates				
22 Depreciation, depletion, and amortization	32,800.	25,853.	5,477.	1,470.
23 Insurance	41,907.	33,031.	6,998.	1,878.
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 <u>SPECIAL EVENTS</u>	43,575.	34,346.	7,276.	1,953.
b <u>RECRUITING</u>	37,416.	29,491.	6,248.	1,677.
c <u>MEMBERSHIP AND DUES</u>	11,807.	9,306.	1,972.	529.
d <u>TRAINING</u>	9,917.	7,817.	1,656.	444.
e All other expenses	4,680.	3,689.	781.	210.
25 Total functional expenses. Add lines 1 through 24e	4,961,407.	3,742,791.	742,951.	475,665.
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 to any question in this Part X.

		(A) Beginning of year		(B) End of year
ASSETS	1 Cash – non-interest-bearing	3,600,454.	1	2,092,944.
	2 Savings and temporary cash investments		2	
	3 Pledges and grants receivable, net	6,558,408.	3	3,770,007.
	4 Accounts receivable, net		4	
	5 Loans and other receivables from current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, and highest compensated employees. Complete Part II of Schedule L		5	
	6 Loans and other receivables from other disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)), persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B), and contributing employers and sponsoring organizations of section 501(c)(9) voluntary employees' beneficiary organizations (see instructions). Complete Part II of Schedule L		6	
	7 Notes and loans receivable, net		7	
	8 Inventories for sale or use		8	
	9 Prepaid expenses and deferred charges	72,552.	9	30,984.
	10a Land, buildings, and equipment: cost or other basis. Complete Part VI of Schedule D	10a 160,663.		
	b Less: accumulated depreciation	10b 79,870.	100,391.	10c 80,793.
	11 Investments – publicly traded securities	2,088.	11	5,263.
	12 Investments – other securities. See Part IV, line 11		12	
	13 Investments – program-related. See Part IV, line 11		13	
	14 Intangible assets		14	
	15 Other assets. See Part IV, line 11	85,395.	15	78,291.
16 Total assets. Add lines 1 through 15 (must equal line 34)	10,419,288.	16	6,058,282.	
LIABILITIES	17 Accounts payable and accrued expenses	891,292.	17	361,668.
	18 Grants payable		18	
	19 Deferred revenue		19	
	20 Tax-exempt bond liabilities		20	
	21 Escrow or custodial account liability. Complete Part IV of Schedule D		21	
	22 Loans and other payables to current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, highest compensated employees, and disqualified persons. Complete Part II of Schedule L		22	
	23 Secured mortgages and notes payable to unrelated third parties		23	
	24 Unsecured notes and loans payable to unrelated third parties		24	
	25 Other liabilities (including federal income tax, payables to related third parties, and other liabilities not included on lines 17-24). Complete Part X of Schedule D		25	
	26 Total liabilities. Add lines 17 through 25	891,292.	26	361,668.
NET ASSETS OR FUND BALANCES	Organizations that follow SFAS 117 (ASC 958), check here <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 27 through 29, and lines 33 and 34.			
	27 Unrestricted net assets	852,823.	27	-505,956.
	28 Temporarily restricted net assets	8,675,173.	28	6,202,570.
	29 Permanently restricted net assets		29	
	Organizations that do not follow SFAS 117 (ASC 958), check here <input type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 30 through 34.			
	30 Capital stock or trust principal, or current funds		30	
	31 Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, building, or equipment fund		31	
	32 Retained earnings, endowment, accumulated income, or other funds		32	
33 Total net assets or fund balances	9,527,996.	33	5,696,614.	
34 Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances	10,419,288.	34	6,058,282.	

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Part XI Reconciliation of Net Assets

Check if Schedule O contains a response to any question in this Part XI

1	Total revenue (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	1	1,128,968.
2	Total expenses (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	2	4,961,407.
3	Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 2 from line 1	3	-3,832,439.
4	Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (must equal Part X, line 33, column (A))	4	9,527,996.
5	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	5	1,057.
6	Donated services and use of facilities	6	
7	Investment expenses	7	
8	Prior period adjustments	8	
9	Other changes in net assets or fund balances (explain in Schedule O)	9	0.
10	Net assets or fund balances at end of year. Combine lines 3 through 9 (must equal Part X, line 33, column (B))	10	5,696,614.

Part XII Financial Statements and Reporting

Check if Schedule O contains a response to any question 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 in Schedule O.			
2 a	Were the organization's financial statements compiled or reviewed by an independent accountant?		X
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			
2 b	Were the organization's financial statements audited by an independent accountant?	X	
If 'Yes,' check a box below to indicate whether the financial statements for the year were audited on a separate basis, consolidated basis, or both:			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Separate basis <input type="checkbox"/> Consolidated basis <input type="checkbox"/> Both consolidated and separate basis			
2 c	If 'Yes' to line 2a or 2b, does the organization have a committee that assumes responsibility for oversight of the audit, review, or compilation of its financial statements and selection of an independent accountant?	X	
If the organization changed either its oversight process or selection process during the tax year, explain in Schedule O.			
3 a	As a result of a federal award, was the organization required to undergo an audit or audits as set forth in the Single Audit Act and OMB Circular A-133?		X
3 b	If 'Yes,' did the organization undergo the required audit or audits? If the organization did not undergo the required audit or audits, explain why in Schedule O and describe any steps taken to undergo such audits.		

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SCHEDULE A
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

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. ▶ See separate instructions.

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Open to Public Inspection

Name of the organization CREATIVE COMMONS CORPORATION	Employer identification number 04-3585301
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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 11, 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.)
- 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 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.)
- 10 An organization organized and operated exclusively to test for public safety. See **section 509(a)(4)**.
- 11 An organization organized and operated exclusively for the benefit of, to perform the functions of, or 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 that describes the type of supporting organization and complete lines 11e through 11h.
 - a Type I b Type II c Type III – Functionally integrated d Type III – Non-functionally integrated
- e By checking this box, I certify that the organization is not controlled directly or indirectly by one or more disqualified persons other than foundation managers and other than one or more publicly supported organizations described in section 509(a)(1) or section 509(a)(2).
- f If the organization received a written determination from the IRS that is a Type I, Type II or Type III supporting organization, check this box
- g Since August 17, 2006, has the organization accepted any gift or contribution from any of the following persons?

	Yes	No
(i) A person who directly or indirectly controls, either alone or together with persons described in (ii) and (iii) below, the governing body of the supported organization?	11 g (i)	
(ii) A family member of a person described in (i) above?	11 g (ii)	
(iii) A 35% controlled entity of a person described in (i) or (ii) above?	11 g (iii)	

(i) Name of supported organization	(ii) EIN	(iii) Type of organization (described on lines 1-9 above or IRC section (see instructions))	(iv) Is the organization in column (i) listed in your governing document?		(v) Did you notify the organization in column (i) of your support?		(vi) Is the organization in column (i) organized in the U.S.?		(vii) Amount of monetary support
			Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	
(A)									
(B)									
(C)									
(D)									
(E)									
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 fails to qualify under the tests listed below, please complete Part III.)

Section A. Public Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ▶	(a) 2008	(b) 2009	(c) 2010	(d) 2011	(e) 2012	(f) Total
1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received. (Do not include any 'unusual grants'.)	10963657.	2,449,546.	1,704,819.	9,878,478.	1,268,575.	26,265,075.
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.	10963657.	2,449,546.	1,704,819.	9,878,478.	1,268,575.	26,265,075.
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).						10,826,875.
6 Public support. Subtract line 5 from line 4.						15,438,200.

Section B. Total Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ▶	(a) 2008	(b) 2009	(c) 2010	(d) 2011	(e) 2012	(f) Total
7 Amounts from line 4.	10963657.	2,449,546.	1,704,819.	9,878,478.	1,268,575.	26,265,075.
8 Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources.	14,806.	763.			31.	15,600.
9 Net income from unrelated business activities, whether or not the business is regularly carried on.						0.
10 Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets. (Explain in Part IV.) SEE PART IV.	34,830.	40,337.	9,114.	81,522.	32,212.	198,015.
11 Total support. Add lines 7 through 10.						26,478,690.
12 Gross receipts from related activities, etc (see instructions).					12	0.
13 First five 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 .						<input type="checkbox"/>

Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage

14 Public support percentage for 2012 (line 6, column (f) divided by line 11, column (f)).	14	58.30 %
15 Public support percentage from 2011 Schedule A, Part II, line 14.	15	41.28 %
16a 33-1/3% support test – 2012. If the organization did not check the box on line 13, and the line 14 is 33-1/3% or more, check this box and stop here. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
b 33-1/3% support test – 2011. 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.	<input type="checkbox"/>	
17a 10%-facts-and-circumstances test – 2012. 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 IV how the organization meets the 'facts-and-circumstances' test. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization.	<input type="checkbox"/>	
b 10%-facts-and-circumstances test – 2011. 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 IV how the organization meets the 'facts-and-circumstances' test. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization.	<input type="checkbox"/>	
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.	<input type="checkbox"/>	

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

(Complete only if you checked the box on line 9 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

Calendar year (or fiscal yr beginning in) ▶	(a) 2008	(b) 2009	(c) 2010	(d) 2011	(e) 2012	(f) Total
1 Gifts, grants, contributions and membership fees received. (Do not include any 'unusual grants.')						
2 Gross receipts from admissions, merchandise sold or services performed, or facilities furnished in any activity that is related to the organization's tax-exempt purpose.						
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 and either paid to or expended on its behalf.						
5 The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge.						
6 Total. Add lines 1 through 5.						
7a Amounts included on lines 1, 2, and 3 received from disqualified persons.						
b Amounts included on lines 2 and 3 received from other than disqualified persons that exceed the greater of \$5,000 or 1% of the amount on line 13 for the year.						
c Add lines 7a and 7b.						
8 Public support (Subtract line 7c from line 6.)						

Section B. Total Support

Calendar year (or fiscal yr beginning in) ▶	(a) 2008	(b) 2009	(c) 2010	(d) 2011	(e) 2012	(f) Total
9 Amounts from line 6.						
10a Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources.						
b Unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 taxes) from businesses acquired after June 30, 1975.						
c Add lines 10a and 10b.						
11 Net income from unrelated business activities not included in line 10b, whether or not the business is regularly carried on.						
12 Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part IV.)						
13 Total support. (Add lns 9, 10c, 11, and 12.)						

14 **First five 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

15 Public support percentage for 2012 (line 8, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f)).	15	%
16 Public support percentage from 2011 Schedule A, Part III, line 15.	16	%

Section D. Computation of Investment Income Percentage

17 Investment income percentage for 2012 (line 10c, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f)).	17	%
18 Investment income percentage from 2011 Schedule A, Part III, line 17.	18	%

19a **33-1/3% support tests – 2012.** If the organization did not check the box on line 14, and line 15 is more than 33-1/3%, and line 17 is not more than 33-1/3%, check this box and **stop here**. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization. ▶

b **33-1/3% support tests – 2011.** If the organization did not check a box on line 14 or line 19a, and line 16 is more than 33-1/3%, and line 18 is not more than 33-1/3%, check this box and **stop here**. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization. ▶

20 **Private foundation.** If the organization did not check a box on line 14, 19a, or 19b, check this box and see instructions. ▶

Part IV **Supplemental Information.** Complete this part to provide the explanations required by Part II, line 10; Part II, line 17a or 17b; and Part III, line 12. Also complete this part for any additional information. (See instructions).

PART I ADDITIONAL SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

NOT INCLUDED IN THE PUBLIC SUPPORT CALCULATION IS A 2011 GRANT FROM THE BILL AND MELINDA GATES FOUNDATION FOR \$7,211,138 WHICH CREATIVE COMMONS BELIEVES MEETS THE CRITERIA AS AN UNUSUAL GRANT.

PART II, LINE 10 - OTHER INCOME

NATURE AND SOURCE	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008
EURO TO DOLLARS GAIN (LOSS)					
	\$ 350.	\$ -2,424.	\$ -846.	\$ 676.	\$ -15,748.
OTHER INCOME	31,862.	83,946.	9,960.	39,661.	50,578.
TOTAL	<u>\$ 32,212.</u>	<u>\$ 81,522.</u>	<u>\$ 9,114.</u>	<u>\$ 40,337.</u>	<u>\$ 34,830.</u>

Schedule B
(Form 990, 990-EZ,
or 990-PF)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Schedule of Contributors

▶ **Attach to Form 990, Form 990-EZ, or Form 990-PF**

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Organization type (check one):

Filers of:

Form 990 or 990-EZ

Section:

- 501(c)(3) (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, \$5,000 or more (in money or property) from any one contributor. (Complete Parts I and II.)

Special Rules

For a section 501(c)(3) organization filing Form 990 or 990-EZ that met the 33-1/3% support test of the regulations under sections 509(a)(1) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi) and received from any one contributor, during the year, a contribution 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 a section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) organization filing Form 990 or 990-EZ that received from any one contributor, during the year, total contributions of more than \$1,000 for use *exclusively* for religious, charitable, scientific, literary, or educational purposes, or the prevention of cruelty to children or animals. Complete Parts I, II, and III.

For a section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) organization filing Form 990 or 990-EZ that received from any one contributor, during the year, contributions for use *exclusively* for religious, charitable, etc, purposes, but these contributions did not total to 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. Do not complete any of the parts unless the **General Rule** applies to this organization because it received nonexclusively religious, charitable, etc, contributions of \$5,000 or more during the year. ▶ \$ _____

Caution: An organization that is not covered by the General Rule and/or the Special Rules does not 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 Part I, line 2, of its Form 990-PF, to certify that it does not meet the filing requirements of Schedule B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF).

BAA For Paperwork Reduction Act Notice, see the Instructions for Form 990, 990EZ, Schedule B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF) (2012) **or 990-PF.**

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

(a) Number	(b) Name, address, and ZIP + 4	(c) Total contributions	(d) Type of contribution
1	WILLIAM & FLORA HEWLETT FDN 2121 SAND HILL ROAD MENLO PARK, CA 94025	\$ 900,000.	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II if there is a noncash contribution.)
2	OMIDYAR NETWORK FUND 1991 BROADWAY, SUITE 200 REDWOOD CITY, CA 94063	\$ 500,000.	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II if there is a noncash contribution.)
3	TRIANGLE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION 324 BLACKWELL ST. SUITE 1220 DURHAM, NC 27701	\$ 50,000.	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II if there is a noncash contribution.)
4	GOOGLE, INC. 1600 AMPITHEATRE PKWY MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA 94043	\$ 100,000.	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II if there is a noncash contribution.)
5	BILL & MELINDA GATES FOUNDATION 500 FIFTH AVENUE NORTH SEATTLE, WA 98102	\$ 350,000.	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II if there is a noncash contribution.)
6	THE BRIN WOJCICKI FOUNDATION P.O. BOX 10195 DEPT. 243 PALO ALTO, CA 94303	\$ 150,000.	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II if there is a noncash contribution.)

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

(a) Number	(b) Name, address, and ZIP + 4	(c) Total contributions	(d) Type of contribution
7	EBAY ----- 2065 HAMILTON AVENUE ----- SAN JOSE, CA 95125 -----	\$ 30,000.	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> <small>(Complete Part II if there is a noncash contribution.)</small>
8	THE SPEEDWELL FOUNDATION ----- 2 GIBBES STREET ----- CHARLESTON, SC 29401 -----	\$ 50,000.	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> <small>(Complete Part II if there is a noncash contribution.)</small>
9	THE SHELTER HILL FOUNDATION ----- 14 SUTTON PLACE SOUTH ----- NEW YORK, NY 10022 -----	\$ 50,000.	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> <small>(Complete Part II if there is a noncash contribution.)</small>
10	NATURE PUBLISHING GROUP ----- 4 CRINAN STREET ----- LONDON, ENGLAND N1 9XW UNITED KINGDOM -----	\$ 22,000.	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> <small>(Complete Part II if there is a noncash contribution.)</small>
	----- ----- -----	\$ -----	Person <input type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> <small>(Complete Part II if there is a noncash contribution.)</small>
	----- ----- -----	\$ -----	Person <input type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> <small>(Complete Part II if there is a noncash contribution.)</small>

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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
_____	N/A		
_____		\$ _____	
_____		\$ _____	
_____		\$ _____	
_____		\$ _____	
_____		\$ _____	

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

(e) Transfer of gift		Relationship of transferor to transferee
Transferee's name, address, and ZIP + 4		

(a) No. from Part I	(b) Purpose of gift	(c) Use of gift	(d) Description of how gift is held

(e) Transfer of gift		Relationship of transferor to transferee
Transferee's name, address, and ZIP + 4		

(a) No. from Part I	(b) Purpose of gift	(c) Use of gift	(d) Description of how gift is held

(e) Transfer of gift		Relationship of transferor to transferee
Transferee's name, address, and ZIP + 4		

(a) No. from Part I	(b) Purpose of gift	(c) Use of gift	(d) Description of how gift is held

(e) Transfer of gift		Relationship of transferor to transferee
Transferee's name, address, and ZIP + 4		

SCHEDULE C
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Political Campaign and Lobbying Activities

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2012

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

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

▶ **Complete if the organization is described below. ▶ Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ.**
▶ **See separate instructions.**

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If the organization answered 'Yes,' to 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,' to 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,' to Form 990, Part IV, line 5 (Proxy Tax) or Form 990-EZ, Part V, line 35a (Proxy Tax), 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.
- 2 Political expenditures ▶ \$ _____
- 3 Volunteer hours

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 ▶ \$ 0.
- 2 Enter the amount of any excise tax incurred by organization managers under section 4955 ▶ \$ 0.
- 3 If the organization incurred a section 4955 tax, did it file Form 4720 for this year? Yes No
- 4a Was a correction made? Yes 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? Yes 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)	-----			

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Schedule **C** (Form 990 or 990-EZ) 2012

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												
1 a Total lobbying expenditures to influence public opinion (grass roots lobbying).....		1,807.													
b Total lobbying expenditures to influence a legislative body (direct lobbying).....															
c Total lobbying expenditures (add lines 1a and 1b).....		1,807.	0.												
d Other exempt purpose expenditures.....		5,152,530.													
e Total exempt purpose expenditures (add lines 1c and 1d).....		5,154,337.	0.												
f Lobbying nontaxable amount. Enter the amount from the following table in both columns.....		407,717.													
<table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>If the amount on line 1e, column (a) or (b) is:</th> <th>The lobbying nontaxable amount is:</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Not over \$500,000</td> <td>20% of the amount on line 1e.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Over \$500,000 but not over \$1,000,000</td> <td>\$100,000 plus 15% of the excess over \$500,000.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Over \$1,000,000 but not over \$1,500,000</td> <td>\$175,000 plus 10% of the excess over \$1,000,000.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Over \$1,500,000 but not over \$17,000,000</td> <td>\$225,000 plus 5% of the excess over \$1,500,000.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Over \$17,000,000</td> <td>\$1,000,000.</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>		If the amount on line 1e, column (a) or (b) is:	The lobbying nontaxable amount is:	Not over \$500,000	20% of the amount on line 1e.	Over \$500,000 but not over \$1,000,000	\$100,000 plus 15% of the excess over \$500,000.	Over \$1,000,000 but not over \$1,500,000	\$175,000 plus 10% of the excess over \$1,000,000.	Over \$1,500,000 but not over \$17,000,000	\$225,000 plus 5% of the excess over \$1,500,000.	Over \$17,000,000	\$1,000,000.		
If the amount on line 1e, column (a) or (b) is:	The lobbying nontaxable amount is:														
Not over \$500,000	20% of the amount on line 1e.														
Over \$500,000 but not over \$1,000,000	\$100,000 plus 15% of the excess over \$500,000.														
Over \$1,000,000 but not over \$1,500,000	\$175,000 plus 10% of the excess over \$1,000,000.														
Over \$1,500,000 but not over \$17,000,000	\$225,000 plus 5% of the excess over \$1,500,000.														
Over \$17,000,000	\$1,000,000.														
g Grassroots nontaxable amount (enter 25% of line 1f).....		101,929.	0.												
h Subtract line 1g from line 1a. If zero or less, enter -0-.....		0.	0.												
i Subtract line 1f from line 1c. If zero or less, enter -0-.....		0.	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 instructions for lines 2a through 2f.)

Lobbying Expenditures During 4-Year Averaging Period					
Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in)	(a) 2009	(b) 2010	(c) 2011	(d) 2012	(e) Total
2 a Lobbying non-taxable amount.....	327,144.	331,217.	446,434.	407,717.	1,512,512.
b Lobbying ceiling amount (150% of line 2a, column (e)).....					2,268,768.
c Total lobbying expenditures.....	11.		1,697.	1,807.	3,515.
d Grassroots nontaxable amount.....	81,786.	82,804.	111,609.	101,929.	378,128.
e Grassroots ceiling amount (150% of line 2d, column (e)).....					567,192.
f Grassroots lobbying expenditures.....	11.		1,697.	1,807.	3,515.

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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 to 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?			
b Paid staff or management (include compensation in expenses reported on lines 1c through 1i)?			
c Media advertisements?			
d Mailings to members, legislators, or the public?			
e Publications, or published or broadcast statements?			
f Grants to other organizations for lobbying purposes?			
g Direct contact with legislators, their staffs, government officials, or a legislative body?			
h Rallies, demonstrations, seminars, conventions, speeches, lectures, or any similar means?			
i Other activities?			
j Total. Add lines 1c through 1i.			
2 a Did the activities in line 1 cause the organization to be not described in section 501(c)(3)?			
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.	2 a	
b Carryover from last year.	2 b	
c Total.	2 c	
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

Complete this part to 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, line 2; and Part II-B, line 1. Also, complete this part for any additional information.

**SCHEDULE D
(Form 990)**

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Supplemental Financial Statements

▶ **Complete if the organization answered 'Yes,' to Form 990, Part IV, lines 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11a, 11b, 11c, 11d, 11e, 11f, 12a, or 12b.**
▶ **Attach to Form 990.** ▶ **See separate instructions.**

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Part I Organizations Maintaining Donor Advised Funds or Other Similar Funds or Accounts. Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' to Form 990, Part IV, line 6.

	(a) Donor advised funds	(b) Funds and other accounts
1 Total number at end of year		
2 Aggregate contributions to (during year)		
3 Aggregate 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' to 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 Tax Year
a Total number of conservation easements	2 a
b Total acreage restricted by conservation easements	2 b
c Number of conservation easements on a certified historic structure included in (a)	2 c
d Number of conservation easements included in (c) acquired after 8/17/06, and not on a historic structure listed in the National Register	2 d

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, and enforcing conservation easements during the year ▶ _____

7 Amount of expenses incurred in monitoring, inspecting, 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' to Form 990, Part IV, line 8.

1 a If the organization elected, as permitted under SFAS 116 (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 SFAS 116 (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) Revenues included in 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 SFAS 116 (ASC 958) relating to these items:

a Revenues included in Form 990, Part VIII, line 1 ▶ \$ _____

b Assets included in Form 990, Part X ▶ \$ _____

Part III Organizations Maintaining Collections of Art, Historical Treasures, or Other Similar Assets (continued)

3 Using the organization's acquisition, accession, and other records, check any of the following that are a significant use of its collection items (check all that apply):

- a Public exhibition
- b Scholarly research
- c Preservation for future generations
- d Loan or exchange programs
- e Other _____

4 Provide a description of the organization's collections and explain how they further the organization's exempt purpose in Part XIII.

5 During the year, did the organization solicit or receive donations of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets to be sold to raise funds rather than to be maintained as part of the organization's collection? Yes No

Part IV Escrow and Custodial Arrangements. Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' to Form 990, Part IV, line 9, or reported an amount on Form 990, Part X, line 21.

1 a Is the organization an agent, trustee, custodian, or other intermediary for contributions or other assets not included on Form 990, Part X? Yes No

b If 'Yes,' explain the arrangement in Part XIII and complete the following table:

	Amount
c Beginning balance	1 c
d Additions during the year	1 d
e Distributions during the year	1 e
f Ending balance	1 f

2 a Did the organization include an amount on Form 990, Part X, line 21? Yes No

b If 'Yes,' explain the arrangement in Part XIII. Check here if the explanation has been provided in Part XIII.

Part V Endowment Funds. Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' to Form 990, Part IV, line 10.

	(a) Current	(b) Prior year	(c) Two years	(d) Three years	(e) Four years
1 a Beginning of year balance					
b Contributions					
c Net investment earnings, gains, and losses					
d Grants or scholarships					
e Other expenditures for facilities and programs					
f Administrative expenses					
g End of year balance					

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

- a Board designated or quasi-endowment _____ %
 - b Permanent endowment _____ %
 - c Temporarily restricted endowment _____ %
- The percentages in lines 2a, 2b, and 2c should equal 100%.

3 a Are there endowment funds not in the possession of the organization that are held and administered for the organization by:

	Yes	No
(i) unrelated organizations	3a(i)	
(ii) related organizations	3a(ii)	
b If 'Yes' to 3a(ii), are the related organizations listed as required on Schedule R?	3b	

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

Part VI Land, Buildings, and Equipment. See Form 990, Part X, line 10.

Description of property	(a) Cost or other basis (investment)	(b) Cost or other basis (other)	(c) Accumulated depreciation	(d) Book value
1 a Land				
b Buildings				
c Leasehold improvements		84,314.	25,677.	58,637.
d Equipment		64,299.	49,933.	14,366.
e Other		12,050.	4,260.	7,790.

Total. Add lines 1a through 1e. (Column (d) must equal Form 990, Part X, column (B), line 10(c).) 80,793.

BAA

Part VII Investments – Other Securities. See Form 990, Part X, line 12. N/A

(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) -----		
(I) -----		
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, column (B) line 12.) . . . ▶		

Part VIII Investments – Program Related. See Form 990, Part X, line 13. N/A

(a) Description of investment type	(b) Book value	(c) Method of valuation: Cost or end-of-year market value
(1)		
(2)		
(3)		
(4)		
(5)		
(6)		
(7)		
(8)		
(9)		
(10)		
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, column (B) line 13.) . . . ▶		

Part IX Other Assets. See Form 990, Part X, line 15. N/A

(a) Description	(b) Book value
(1)	
(2)	
(3)	
(4)	
(5)	
(6)	
(7)	
(8)	
(9)	
(10)	
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, column (B), line 15.) ▶	

Part X Other Liabilities. See Form 990, Part X, line 25.

(a) Description of liability	(b) Book value
(1) Federal income taxes	
(2)	
(3)	
(4)	
(5)	
(6)	
(7)	
(8)	
(9)	
(10)	
(11)	
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, column (B) line 25.) ▶	

2. FIN 48 (ASC 740) Footnote. 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

1	Total revenue, gains, and other support per audited financial statements	1	1,322,955.
2	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12:		
	a Net unrealized gains on investments	2a	1,057.
	b Donated services and use of facilities	2b	192,930.
	c Recoveries of prior year grants	2c	
	d Other (Describe in Part XIII.)	2d	
	e Add lines 2a through 2d	2e	193,987.
3	Subtract line 2e from line 1	3	1,128,968.
4	Amounts included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, but not on line 1:		
	a Investment expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b	4a	
	b Other (Describe in Part XIII.)	4b	
	c Add lines 4a and 4b	4c	
5	Total revenue. Add lines 3 and 4c . (This must equal Form 990, Part I, line 12.)	5	1,128,968.

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

1	Total expenses and losses per audited financial statements	1	5,154,337.
2	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part IX, line 25:		
	a Donated services and use of facilities	2a	192,930.
	b Prior year adjustments	2b	
	c Other losses	2c	
	d Other (Describe in Part XIII.)	2d	
	e Add lines 2a through 2d	2e	192,930.
3	Subtract line 2e from line 1	3	4,961,407.
4	Amounts included on Form 990, Part IX, line 25, but not on line 1:		
	a Investment expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b	4a	
	b Other (Describe in Part XIII.)	4b	
	c Add lines 4a and 4b	4c	
5	Total expenses. Add lines 3 and 4c . (This must equal Form 990, Part I, line 18.)	5	4,961,407.

Part XIII Supplemental Information

Complete this part to 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.

**Schedule F
(Form 990)**

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Statement of Activities Outside the United States

▶ Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' to Form 990, Part IV, line 14b, 15, or 16.
▶ Attach to Form 990. ▶ See separate instructions.

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Part I **General Information on Activities Outside the United States.** Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' to Form 990, Part IV, line 14b.

- 1 For grantmakers.** Does the organization maintain records to substantiate the amount of its grants and other assistance, the grantees' eligibility for the grants or assistance, and the selection criteria used to award the grants or assistance? . . . Yes No
- 2 For grantmakers.** Describe in Part V the organization's procedures for monitoring the use of its grants and other assistance outside the United States.
- 3 Activities per Region.** (The following Part I, line 3 table can be duplicated if additional space is needed.)

(a) Region	(b) Number of offices in the region	(c) Number of employees, agents, and independent contractors in region	(d) Activities conducted in region (by type) (e.g., fundraising, program services, investments, grants to recipients located in the region)	(e) If activity listed in (d) is a program service, describe specific type of service(s) in region	(f) Total expenditures for and investments in region
(1) NORTH AMERICA	1	1	PROGRAM SERVICES	PROGRAM MANAGEMENT	46,990.
(2)					
(3)					
(4)					
(5)					
(6)					
(7)					
(8)					
(9)					
(10)					
(11)					
(12)					
(13)					
(14)					
(15)					
(16)					
(17)					
3 a Sub-total	1	1			46,990.
b Total from continuation sheets to Part I					
c Totals (add lines 3a and 3b) . . .	1	1			46,990.

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Part II Grants and Other Assistance to Organizations or Entities Outside the United States. Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' to Form 990, Part IV, line 15, for any recipient who received more than \$5,000. Part II can be duplicated if additional space is needed.

1	(a) Name of organization	(b) IRS code section and EIN (if applicable)	(c) Region	(d) Purpose of grant	(e) Amount of cash grant	(f) Manner of cash disbursement	(g) Amount of non-cash assistance	(h) Description of non-cash assistance	(i) Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other)
(1)			SUB-SAHARA N AFR	EDUCATIO N	25,000.	WIRE TRNSFR			FMV
(2)									
(3)									
(4)									
(5)									
(6)									
(7)									
(8)									
(9)									
(10)									
(11)									
(12)									
(13)									
(14)									
(15)									
(16)									

2 Enter total number of recipient organizations listed above that are recognized as charities by the foreign country, recognized as tax-exempt by the IRS, or for which the grantee or counsel has provided a section 501(c)(3) equivalency letter. ▶ 0

3 Enter total number of other organizations or entities ▶ 1

Part III Grants and Other Assistance to Individuals Outside the United States. Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' to Form 990, Part IV, line 16. Part III can be duplicated if additional space is needed.

(a) Type of grant or assistance	(b) Region	(c) Number of recipients	(d) Amount of cash grant	(e) Manner of cash disbursement	(f) Amount of non-cash assistance	(g) Description of non-cash assistance	(h) Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other)
(1)							
(2)							
(3)							
(4)							
(5)							
(6)							
(7)							
(8)							
(9)							
(10)							
(11)							
(12)							
(13)							
(14)							
(15)							
(16)							
(17)							
(18)							

Part IV Foreign Forms

- 1 Was the organization a U.S. transferor of property to a foreign corporation during the tax year? *If 'Yes,' the organization may be required to file Form 926, Return by a U.S. Transferor of Property to a Foreign Corporation (see Instructions for Form 926).* Yes No
- 2 Did the organization have an interest in a foreign trust during the tax year? *If 'Yes,' the organization may be required to file Form 3520, Annual Return To Report Transactions with Foreign Trusts and Receipt of Certain Foreign Gifts, and/or Form 3520-A Annual Information Return of Foreign Trust With a U.S. Owner (see Instructions for Forms 3520 and 3520-A).* Yes No
- 3 Did the organization have an ownership interest in a foreign corporation during the tax year? *If 'Yes,' the organization may be required to file Form 5471, Information Return of U.S. Persons With Respect To Certain Foreign Corporations. (see Instructions for Form 5471).* Yes No
- 4 Was the organization a direct or indirect shareholder of a passive foreign investment company or a qualified electing fund during the tax year? *If 'Yes,' the organization may be required to file Form 8621, Information Return by a Shareholder of a Passive Foreign Investment Company or Qualified Electing Fund. (see Instructions for Form 8621).* Yes No
- 5 Did the organization have an ownership interest in a foreign partnership during the tax year? *If 'Yes,' the organization may be required to file Form 8865, Return of U.S. Persons With Respect To Certain Foreign Partnerships. (see Instructions for Form 8865).* Yes No
- 6 Did the organization have any operations in or related to any boycotting countries during the tax year? *If 'Yes,' the organization may be required to file Form 5713, International Boycott Report (see Instructions for Form 5713).* Yes No

**SCHEDULE J
(Form 990)**

Compensation Information

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

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▶ **Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' to Form 990, Part IV, line 23.**
▶ **Attach to Form 990.** ▶ **See separate instructions.**

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Part I Questions Regarding Compensation

	Yes	No
1 a Check the appropriate box(es) if the organization provided any of the following to or for a person listed in 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"/> Travel for companions		
<input type="checkbox"/> Tax indemnification and gross-up payments		
<input type="checkbox"/> Discretionary spending account		
<input type="checkbox"/> Housing allowance or residence for personal use		
<input type="checkbox"/> Payments for business use of personal residence		
<input type="checkbox"/> Health or social club dues or initiation fees		
<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.	1 b	
2 Did the organization require substantiation prior to reimbursing or allowing expenses incurred by all officers, directors, trustees, and the CEO/Executive Director, regarding the items checked in line 1a?	2	
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 type="checkbox"/> Compensation committee		
<input type="checkbox"/> Independent compensation consultant		
<input type="checkbox"/> Form 990 of other organizations		
<input type="checkbox"/> Written employment contract		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Compensation survey or study		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Approval by the board or compensation committee		
4 During the year, did any person listed in 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?	4 a	X
b Participate in, or receive payment from, a supplemental nonqualified retirement plan?	4 b	X
c Participate in, or receive payment from, an equity-based compensation arrangement?	4 c	X
If 'Yes' to any of lines 4a-c, list the persons and provide the applicable amounts for each item in Part III.		
Only section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations must complete lines 5-9.		
5 For persons listed in Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization pay or accrue any compensation contingent on the revenues of:		
a The organization?	5 a	X
b Any related organization?	5 b	X
If 'Yes' to line 5a or 5b, describe in Part III.		
6 For persons listed in 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?	6 a	X
b Any related organization?	6 b	X
If 'Yes' to line 6a or 6b, describe in Part III.		
7 For persons listed in Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization provide any non-fixed payments not described in lines 5 and 6? If 'Yes,' describe in Part III.	7	X
8 Were any amounts reported in 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.	8	X
9 If 'Yes' to line 8, did the organization also follow the rebuttable presumption procedure described in Regulations section 53.4958-6(c)?	9	

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Schedule J (Form 990) 2012

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 in 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 columns (D) and (E) amounts for that individual.

(A) Name and Title		(B) Breakdown of W-2 and/or 1099-MISC compensation			(C) Retirement and other deferred compensation	(D) Nontaxable benefits	(E) Total of columns(B)(i)-(D)	(F) Compensation reported as deferred in prior Form 990
		(i) Base compensation	(ii) Bonus and incentive compensation	(iii) Other reportable compensation				
1 CATHERINE CASSERLY CEO	(i)	325,000.	0.	0.	0.	52,574.	377,574.	0.
	(ii)	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.
2 DIANE PETERS GENERAL COUNSEL	(i)	168,000.	0.	0.	0.	30,977.	198,977.	0.
	(ii)	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.
3 CABLE GREEN PROGRAM DIR	(i)	143,566.	0.	0.	0.	35,553.	179,119.	0.
	(ii)	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.
4	(i)							
	(ii)							
5	(i)							
	(ii)							
6	(i)							
	(ii)							
7	(i)							
	(ii)							
8	(i)							
	(ii)							
9	(i)							
	(ii)							
10	(i)							
	(ii)							
11	(i)							
	(ii)							
12	(i)							
	(ii)							
13	(i)							
	(ii)							
14	(i)							
	(ii)							
15	(i)							
	(ii)							
16	(i)							
	(ii)							

SCHEDULE O
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Supplemental Information to Form 990 or 990-EZ

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Complete to provide information for responses to specific questions on
Form 990 or 990-EZ or to provide any additional information.

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FORM 990, PART III, LINE 1 - ORGANIZATION MISSION

CHARITABLE AND EDUCATIONAL PURPOSES WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 501(C)(3) OF THE
IRC, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, DESIGNING METHODS AND TECHNOLOGIES THAT
FACILITATE SHARING OF EDUCATIONAL, SCIENTIFIC, CREATIVE, AND OTHER INTELLECTUAL
WORKS WITH THE GENERAL PUBLIC.

FORM 990, PART III, LINE 4A - PROGRAM SERVICE ACCOMPLISHMENTS

STATEMENT OF PROGRAM SERVICE ACCOMPLISHMENTS IN 2012. ONLINE ANNUAL REPORT CAN BE
VIEWED AT [HTTP://DISPATCHES.CREATIVECOMMONS.ORG](http://dispatches.creativecommons.org).

CC CELEBRATES ITS 10TH BIRTHDAY: DECEMBER 7, 2012 MARKED THE 10TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE
CREATIVE COMMONS LICENSE SUITE LAUNCH. CC AFFILIATE TEAMS HOSTED BIRTHDAY EVENTS
AROUND THE WORLD, INCLUDING LOCATIONS WHERE NO FORMAL AFFILIATE TEAM IS ESTABLISHED,
SUCH AS ANTARCTICA. A DEDICATED WEBSITE OF FEATURED CONTENT, PLATFORMS, AND COMMUNITY
RESOURCES WAS CREATED AND CAN BE VIEWED AT [HTTP://10.CREATIVECOMMONS.ORG](http://10.creativecommons.org).

EDUCATION: PROVIDED TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE AND SUPPORT TO GRANTEEES OF THE U.S.
DEPARTMENT OF LABOR (DOL) AND U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION TAACCCT PROGRAM.
LAUNCHED THE SCHOOL OF OPEN IN COLLABORATION WITH P2PU TO OFFER COURSES ON THE
MEANING, APPLICATION, AND IMPACT OF "OPENNESS" IN THE DIGITAL AGE AND ITS BENEFIT TO
CREATIVE ENDEAVORS, EDUCATION, RESEARCH, AND BEYOND.

POLICY: LAUNCHED OPEN POLICY NETWORK TO PROVIDE RESOURCES FOR ADVOCATES AND
POLICYMAKERS EXPLORING ADOPTION OF OPEN POLICIES.

CREATED THE OER POLICY REGISTRY AS A RESOURCE TO HELP OTHERS LEARN ABOUT AND REMIX
OPEN EDUCATION POLICIES. THE REGISTRY CONTAINS LINKS TO ALL KNOWN OER POLICIES AT

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FORM 990, PART III, LINE 4A - PROGRAM SERVICE ACCOMPLISHMENTS

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CREATIVE COMMONS WAS INSTRUMENTAL IN PROVIDING LEGAL EXPERTISE AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE TO SEVERAL U.S. STATES AND ONE CANADIAN PROVINCE (WASHINGTON, CALIFORNIA, AND BRITISH COLUMBIA) THAT ADOPTED OPEN EDUCATION POLICIES.,

CREATIVE COMMONS WAS AN ACTIVE PARTICIPANT, COLLABORATOR, AND SUPPORTER OF THE WORK LEADING UP TO AND INCLUDING THE 2012 PARIS OER DECLARATION.

CC HAS ALSO COLLABORATED WITH THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE; THE ARAB LEAGUE EDUCATIONAL, CULTURAL AND SCIENTIFIC ORGANIZATION; AND OPEN COLLEAGUES AROUND THE WORLD ON THE OPEN BOOK PROJECT.

TECHNOLOGY: IN AN EFFORT TO IMPROVE CRITICALLY IMPORTANT SEARCH AND DISCOVERY OF OPEN EDUCATIONAL RESOURCES, CC JOINED FORCES WITH THE ASSOCIATION OF EDUCATIONAL PUBLISHERS TO CO-LEAD THE LEARNING RESOURCE METADATA INITIATIVE (LRMI), WHICH CREATED A METADATA SCHEMA FOR ONLINE EDUCATIONAL RESOURCES WHICH WAS ADOPTED BY MAJOR INTERNET SEARCH ENGINES.

DEVELOPED AND LED SIGNIFICANT OPEN REVIEW PROCESS AND COORDINATION OF WORLDWIDE LEGAL EXPERTISE IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF VERSION 4.0 OF OUR SUITE OF CONTENT LICENSES.

SCIENCE: ESTABLISHED A HIGH-LEVEL SCIENCE ADVISORY GROUP, TO GUIDE WORK ACTIVITIES RELATED TO OPEN SCIENCE AND OPEN DATA.

CULTURE: THERE ARE NOW MORE THAN FOUR MILLION CREATIVE COMMONS-LICENSED VIDEOS ON

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FORM 990, PART III, LINE 4A - PROGRAM SERVICE ACCOMPLISHMENTS

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EUROPEANA – EUROPE'S DIGITAL LIBRARY – HAS RELEASED 20 MILLION RECORDS INTO THE PUBLIC DOMAIN USING THE CC0 PUBLIC DOMAIN DEDICATION.

FORM 990, PART III, LINE 4B - PROGRAM SERVICE ACCOMPLISHMENTS

CC INTERNATIONALLY

WE NOW HAVE 56 JURISDICTIONS THAT HAVE SUCCESSFULLY PORTED THE CC LICENSING SUITE, WITH SIX MORE IN PROGRESS. IN TOTAL, CC HAS AFFILIATES PROMOTING OUR LICENSES AND LEGAL TOOLS IN MORE THAN 70 JURISDICTIONS. WE HAVE LAUNCHED FOUR NEW AFFILIATE TEAMS IN KAZAKHSTAN, RWANDA, UGANDA, AND QATAR, IN ADDITION TO RELAUNCHING OUR AFFILIATE IN CANADA AND ESTABLISHING A NEW TEAM FOR OUR EXISTING AFFILIATE IN ARGENTINA. CC SUCCESSFULLY ORGANIZED THE 2011 CREATIVE COMMONS GLOBAL SUMMIT IN WARSAW, POLAND, GATHERING OVER 300 COMMUNITY MEMBERS AND COPYRIGHT EXPERTS, INCLUDING 160 AFFILIATES, BOARD, AND STAFF. THE GLOBAL SUMMIT WAS INSTRUMENTAL IN LEVERAGING GLOBAL LEGAL EXPERTISE AND KICKING OFF THE 4.0 CC LICENSE VERSIONING PROCESS, FOCUSING ON THE FOLLOWING KEY LICENSING ISSUES: INTERNATIONALIZATION, INTEROPERABILITY, SUSTAINABILITY, RELEVANCY TO VARIOUS DOMAINS, AND SUPPORT FOR EXISTING ADOPTION MODELS AND FRAMEWORKS. WE LAUNCHED THE PUBLIC DISCUSSION FOR VERSION 4.0 IN DECEMBER AND THE LICENSE IS NOW IN PUBLIC DRAFT.

FORM 990, PART VI, LINE 2 - BUSINESS OR FAMILY RELATIONSHIP OF OFFICERS, DIRECTORS, ETC.

PAUL BREST, CHAIRMAN, IS MARRIED TO IRIS BREST, SPECIAL COUNSEL.

FORM 990, PART VI, LINE 11B - FORM 990 REVIEW PROCESS

A DRAFT OF FORM 990 IS PRESENTED TO AND APPROVED BY THE AUDIT COMMITTEE AS THE DESIGNATED REPRESENTATIVE OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS. AFTER APPROVAL, A COPY OF FORM 990 IS GIVEN TO THE GOVERNING BOARD.

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FORM 990, PART VI, LINE 12C - EXPLANATION OF MONITORING AND ENFORCEMENT OF CONFLICTS

BASED ON THE ANNUAL CONFLICT DISCLOSURE SURVEY, A LIST OF THE ENTITIES IN WHICH THE BOARD AND STAFF HAVE A FINANCIAL INTEREST IS POSTED ON TEAMSPACE WHERE IT CAN BE CHECKED BY COUNSEL AGAINST ANY NEW CONTRACTS/AGREEMENTS FOR POSSIBLE CONFLICTS. IT IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE AUDIT COMMITTEE TO REVIEW THE RESULTS OF THE ANNUAL CONFLICTS QUESTIONNAIRE AND TO REVIEW ANY ALLEGED/SUSPECTED CONFLICTS. COUNSEL ARE ALSO ALWAYS REVIEWING POTENTIAL CONFLICTS AS WELL.

FORM 990, PART VI, LINE 15B - COMPENSATION REVIEW & APPROVAL PROCESS - OFFICERS & KEY EMPLOYEES

AS EACH NEW EMPLOYEE WAS INITIALLY HIRED, AND WHEN RAISES WERE GRANTED, THE NEW WAGE WAS ASSESSED ON THE BASIS OF PAST PAYROLL EXPERIENCE. ALL POSITIONS HAVE UNDERGONE A COMPARISON SURVEY AT SOME POINT IN TIME, SO WE ONLY PERFORM NEW SURVEYS WHEN THE WAGE EXCEEDS EARLIER WAGE RANGES OR IS AN ENTIRELY NEW POSITION FOR WHICH WE HAVE NO DATA. FOR NEW, UNUSUAL COMPENSATIONS, OR FOR LOCATIONS WHERE WE HAVE NO EXPERIENCE, WE PERFORM A SURVEY USING VARIOUS ONLINE SITES, PAID SALARY SURVEY SOURCES AND FROM LITERATURE PROVIDED BY NONPROFIT TRADE ASSOCIATION DATABASES.

FORM 990, PART VI, LINE 19 - OTHER ORGANIZATION DOCUMENTS PUBLICLY AVAILABLE

DOCUMENTS DEEMED "PUBLICLY VIEWABLE" BY MANAGEMENT ARE UPLOADED TO CREATIVE COMMONS' INTERNAL WEBSITE. ADDITIONALLY, REQUESTS FOR SUCH DOCUMENTS BY THE PUBLIC ARE HANDLED ON A CASE-BY-CASE BASIS BY THE OPERATIONS DIRECTOR AND THE APPROPRIATE FUNCTIONAL MANAGER(S) WITHIN CREATIVE COMMONS.

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FORM 990, PART IX, LINE 11G
OTHER FEES FOR SERVICES

	(A) <u>TOTAL</u>	(B) <u>PROGRAM SERVICES</u>	(C) <u>MANAGEMENT & GENERAL</u>	(D) <u>FUND- RAISING</u>
CONSULTING AND DESIGN	615,184.	316,728.	114,647.	183,809.
CONTRACT SERVICES	583,478.	460,229.		123,249.
LESS: GRANTS TO OUTSIDE ORGS	-25,000.	-25,000.		
PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	21,061.	16,600.	3,517.	944.
TOTAL	<u>\$ 1,194,723.</u>	<u>\$ 768,557.</u>	<u>\$ 118,164.</u>	<u>\$ 308,002.</u>

Application for Extension of Time To File an Exempt Organization Return

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

▶ **File a separate application for each return.**

- If you are filing for an **Automatic 3-Month Extension**, complete only **Part I** and check this box
- If you are filing for an **Additional (Not Automatic) 3-Month Extension**, complete only **Part II** (on page 2 of this form).

Do not complete Part II unless you have already been granted an automatic 3-month extension on a previously filed Form 8868.

Electronic filing (e-file). You can electronically file Form 8868 if you need a 3-month automatic extension of time to file (6 months for a corporation required to file Form 990-T), or an additional (not automatic) 3-month extension of time. You can electronically file Form 8868 to request an extension of time to file any of the forms listed in Part I or Part II with the exception of Form 8870, Information Return for Transfers Associated With Certain Personal Benefit Contracts, which must be sent to the IRS in paper format (see instructions). For more details on the electronic filing of this form, visit www.irs.gov/efile and click on *e-file for Charities & Nonprofits*.

Part I Automatic 3-Month Extension of Time. Only submit original (no copies needed).

A corporation required to file Form 990-T and requesting an automatic 6-month extension – check this box and complete Part I only.

All other corporations (including 1120-C filers), partnerships, REMICs, and trusts must use Form 7004 to request an extension of time to file income tax returns.

Enter filer's identifying number, see instructions

Type or print	Name of exempt organization or other filer, see instructions. CREATIVE COMMONS CORPORATION	Employer identification number (EIN) or 04-3585301
	Number, street, and room or suite number. If a P.O. box, see instructions. 444 CASTRO STREET #900	Social security number (SSN)
File by the due date for filing your return. See instructions.	City, town or post office, state, and ZIP code. For a foreign address, see instructions. MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA 94041	

Enter the Return code for the return that this application is for (file a separate application for each return). **01**

Application Is For	Return Code	Application Is For	Return Code
Form 990 or Form 990-EZ	01	Form 990-T (corporation)	07
Form 990-BL	02	Form 1041-A	08
Form 4720 (individual)	03	Form 4720	09
Form 990-PF	04	Form 5227	10
Form 990-T (section 401(a) or 408(a) trust)	05	Form 6069	11
Form 990-T (trust other than above)	06	Form 8870	12

● The books are in the care of ▶ CATHERINE CASSERLY -----

Telephone No. ▶ (650) 294-4732 ----- FAX No. ▶ -----

- If the organization does not have an office or place of business in the United States, check this box
- If this is for a Group Return, enter the organization's four digit Group Exemption Number (GEN) _____. If this is for the whole group, check this box. . If it is for part of the group, check this box and attach a list with the names and EINs of all members the extension is for.

1 I request an automatic 3-month (6 months for a corporation required to file Form 990-T) extension of time until 8/15, 2013, to file the exempt organization return for the organization named above.
The extension is for the organization's return for:

- ▶ calendar year 2012 or
- ▶ tax year beginning _____, 20____, and ending _____, 20____.

2 If the tax year entered in line 1 is for less than 12 months, check reason: Initial return Final return Change in accounting period

3a If this application is for Form 990-BL, 990-PF, 990-T, 4720, or 6069, enter the tentative tax, less any nonrefundable credits. See instructions.	3a	\$	0.
b If this application is for Form 990-PF, 990-T, 4720, or 6069, enter any refundable credits and estimated tax payments made. Include any prior year overpayment allowed as a credit.	3b	\$	0.
c Balance due. Subtract line 3b from line 3a. Include your payment with this form, if required, by using EFTPS (Electronic Federal Tax Payment System). See instructions.	3c	\$	0.

Caution. If you are going to make an electronic fund withdrawal with this Form 8868, see Form 8453-EO and Form 8879-EO for payment instructions.

California Exempt Organization Annual Information Return

Calendar Year 2012 or fiscal year beginning month day year, and ending month day year

Corporation/Organization Name CREATIVE COMMONS CORPORATION		California corporation number 2412448	
Address (suite, room, or PMB no.) 444 CASTRO STREET #900		FEIN 04-3585301	
City MOUNTAIN VIEW	State CA	ZIP Code 94041	

A First Return Yes No

B Amended Return Yes No

C IRC Section 4947(a)(1) trust Yes No

D Final Return Dissolved Surrendered (Withdrawn)
 Merged/Reorganized Enter date: _____

E Check accounting method:
 1 Cash 2 Accrual 3 Other

F Federal return filed?
 1 990T 2 990 (PF) 3 Sch H (990)

G Is this a group filing for the subordinates/affiliates? Yes No
 If 'Yes,' attach a roster. See instructions

H Is this organization in a group exemption? Yes No
 If 'Yes,' What's the parent's name? _____

I Did the organization have any changes in its activities, governing instrument, articles of incorporation, or bylaws that have not been reported to the Franchise Tax Board? Yes No
 If 'Yes,' explain, and attach copies of revised documents.

J If exempt under R&TC Section 23701d, has the organization during the year: (1) participated in any political campaign, or (2) attempted to influence legislation or any ballot measure, or (3) made an election under R&TC Section 23704.5 (relating to lobbying by public charities)? Yes No
 If 'Yes,' complete and attach form FTB 3509.

K Is the organization exempt under R&TC Section 23701g? Yes No
 If 'Yes,' enter gross receipts from nonmember sources \$ _____

L If organization is exempt under R&TC Section 23701d and is exclusively religious, educational, or charitable, and is supported primarily (50% or more) by public contributions, check box. No filing fee is required.

M Is the organization a Limited Liability Company? Yes No

N Did the organization file Form 100 or Form 109 to report taxable income? Yes No

O Is the organization under audit by the IRS or has the IRS audited in a prior year? Yes No

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Part I Complete Part I unless not required to file this form. See General Instructions B and C.

Receipts and Revenues	1	Gross sales or receipts from other sources. From Side 2, Part II, line 8.	●	1	53,324.
	2	Gross dues and assessments from members and affiliates.	●	2	
	3	Gross contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts received. SEE .SCH. .B.	●	3	1,075,644.
	4	Total gross receipts for filing requirement test. Add line 1 through line 3. This line must be completed. If the result is less than \$50,000, see General Instruction B ...	●	4	1,128,968.
	5	Cost of goods sold.	●	5	
	6	Cost or other basis, and sales expenses of assets sold.	●	6	
	7	Total costs. Add line 5 and line 6.		7	
	8	Total gross income. Subtract line 7 from line 4.	●	8	1,128,968.
Expenses	9	Total expenses and disbursements. From Side 2, Part II, line 18.	●	9	4,961,407.
	10	Excess of receipts over expenses and disbursements. Subtract line 9 from line 8.	●	10	-3,832,439.
Filing Fee	11	Filing fee \$10 or \$25. See General Instruction F.		11	
	12	Total payments.		12	
	13	Penalties and Interest. See General Instruction J.		13	
	14	Use tax. See General Instruction K.	●	14	
	15	Balance due. Add line 11, line 13, and line 14. Then subtract line 12 from the result.		15	
Sign Here	Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined this return, including accompanying schedules and statements, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete. Declaration of preparer (other than taxpayer) is based on all information of which preparer has any knowledge.				
Paid Preparer's Use Only	Signature of officer	Title CEO	Date	Telephone (650) 294-4732	
	Preparer's signature	Date	Check if self-employed <input type="checkbox"/>	PTIN P00083251	
	Firm's name (or yours, if self-employed) and address GOOD & FOWLER, LLP 262 GRAND AVENUE SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94080			FEIN 94-1262196	
				Telephone (650) 872-7600	
May the FTB discuss this return with the preparer shown above? See instructions. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No					

Part II Organizations with gross receipts of more than \$50,000 and private foundations regardless of amount of gross receipts — complete Part II or furnish substitute information.

Receipts from Other Sources	1	Gross sales or receipts from all business activities. See instructions.	●	1	
	2	Interest	●	2	31.
	3	Dividends	●	3	
	4	Gross rents	●	4	
	5	Gross royalties	●	5	
	6	Gross amount received from sale of assets (See instructions)	●	6	
	7	Other income. Attach schedule.	●	7	53,293.
Expenses and Disbursements	8	Total gross sales or receipts from other sources. Add line 1 through line 7. Enter here and on Side 1, Part I, line 1.	●	8	53,324.
	9	Contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts paid. Attach schedule.	●	9	25,000.
	10	Disbursements to or for members.	●	10	
	11	Compensation of officers, directors, and trustees. Attach schedule.	●	11	408,074.
	12	Other salaries and wages.	●	12	1,834,515.
	13	Interest	●	13	
	14	Taxes	●	14	153,658.
	15	Rents	●	15	349,269.
	16	Depreciation and depletion (See instructions)	●	16	32,800.
	17	Other Expenses and Disbursements. Attach schedule.	●	17	2,158,091.
	18	Total expenses and disbursements. Add line 9 through line 17. Enter here and on Side 1, Part I, line 9.	●	18	4,961,407.

Schedule L Balance Sheets		Beginning of taxable year		End of taxable year	
Assets		(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)
1	Cash		3,600,454.	●	2,092,944.
2	Net accounts receivable		6,558,408.	●	3,770,007.
3	Net notes receivable			●	
4	Inventories			●	
5	Federal and state government obligations			●	
6	Investments in other bonds			●	
7	Investments in stock STMT 4		2,088.	●	5,263.
8	Mortgage loans			●	
9	Other investments Attach schedule.			●	
10 a	Depreciable assets.	253,715.		160,663.	
b	Less accumulated depreciation.	153,324.	100,391.	79,870.	80,793.
11	Land			●	
12	Other assets. Attach schedule. STM 5		157,947.	●	109,275.
13	Total assets		10,419,288.		6,058,282.
Liabilities and net worth					
14	Accounts payable		891,292.	●	361,668.
15	Contributions, gifts, or grants payable			●	
16	Bonds and notes payable			●	
17	Mortgages payable			●	
18	Other liabilities. Attach schedule.				
19	Capital stock or principle fund		9,527,996.	●	5,696,614.
20	Paid-in or capital surplus. Attach reconciliation.			●	
21	Retained earnings or income fund.			●	
22	Total liabilities and net worth		10,419,288.		6,058,282.

Schedule M-1 Reconciliation of income per books with income per return			
Do not complete this schedule if the amount on Schedule L, line 13, column (d), is less than \$50,000			
1	Net income per books	●	-3,831,382.
2	Federal income tax	●	
3	Excess of capital losses over capital gains	●	
4	Income not recorded on books this year. Attach schedule.	●	
5	Expenses recorded on books this year not deducted in this return. Attach schedule	●	
6	Total. Add line 1 through line 5.	●	-3,831,382.
7	Income recorded on books this year not included in this return. Attach sch. SEE ST. 6	●	1,057.
8	Deductions in this return not charged against book income this year. Attach schedule.	●	
9	Total. Add line 7 and line 8	●	1,057.
10	Net income per return. Subtract line 9 from line 6.	●	-3,832,439.

Schedule B
(Form 990, 990-EZ,
or 990-PF)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

CALIFORNIA COPY
Schedule of Contributors

▶ **Attach to Form 990, Form 990-EZ, or Form 990-PF**

OMB No. 1545-0047

2012

Name of the organization CREATIVE COMMONS CORPORATION	Employer identification number 04-3585301
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Organization type (check one):

Filers of:

Form 990 or 990-EZ

Section:

- 501(c)(3) (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, \$5,000 or more (in money or property) from any one contributor. (Complete Parts I and II.)

Special Rules

- For a section 501(c)(3) organization filing Form 990 or 990-EZ that met the 33-1/3% support test of the regulations under sections 509(a)(1) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi) and received from any one contributor, during the year, a contribution 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 a section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) organization filing Form 990 or 990-EZ that received from any one contributor, during the year, total contributions of more than \$1,000 for use *exclusively* for religious, charitable, scientific, literary, or educational purposes, or the prevention of cruelty to children or animals. Complete Parts I, II, and III.
- For a section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) organization filing Form 990 or 990-EZ that received from any one contributor, during the year, contributions for use *exclusively* for religious, charitable, etc, purposes, but these contributions did not total to 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. Do not complete any of the parts unless the **General Rule** applies to this organization because it received nonexclusively religious, charitable, etc, contributions of \$5,000 or more during the year. ▶ \$ _____

Caution: An organization that is not covered by the General Rule and/or the Special Rules does not 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 Part I, line 2, of its Form 990-PF, to certify that it does not meet the filing requirements of Schedule B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF).

BAA For Paperwork Reduction Act Notice, see the Instructions for Form 990, 990EZ, Schedule **B** (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF) (2012) **or 990-PF.**

Name of organization CREATIVE COMMONS CORPORATION	Employer identification number 04-3585301
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Part I Contributors (see instructions). Use duplicate copies of Part I if additional space is needed.

(a) Number	(b) Name, address, and ZIP + 4	(c) Total contributions	(d) Type of contribution
1	WILLIAM & FLORA HEWLETT FDN 2121 SAND HILL ROAD MENLO PARK, CA 94025	\$ 900,000.	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II if there is a noncash contribution.)
2	OMIDYAR NETWORK FUND 1991 BROADWAY, SUITE 200 REDWOOD CITY, CA 94063	\$ 500,000.	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II if there is a noncash contribution.)
3	TRIANGLE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION 324 BLACKWELL ST. SUITE 1220 DURHAM, NC 27701	\$ 50,000.	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II if there is a noncash contribution.)
4	GOOGLE, INC. 1600 AMPITHEATRE PKWY MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA 94043	\$ 100,000.	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II if there is a noncash contribution.)
5	BILL & MELINDA GATES FOUNDATION 500 FIFTH AVENUE NORTH SEATTLE, WA 98102	\$ 350,000.	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II if there is a noncash contribution.)
6	THE BRIN WOJCICKI FOUNDATION P.O. BOX 10195 DEPT. 243 PALO ALTO, CA 94303	\$ 150,000.	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II if there is a noncash contribution.)

Name of organization CREATIVE COMMONS CORPORATION	Employer identification number 04-3585301
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Part I Contributors (see instructions). Use duplicate copies of Part I if additional space is needed.

(a) Number	(b) Name, address, and ZIP + 4	(c) Total contributions	(d) Type of contribution
7	EBAY ----- 2065 HAMILTON AVENUE ----- SAN JOSE, CA 95125 -----	\$ 30,000.	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II if there is a noncash contribution.)
8	THE SPEEDWELL FOUNDATION ----- 2 GIBBES STREET ----- CHARLESTON, SC 29401 -----	\$ 50,000.	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II if there is a noncash contribution.)
9	THE SHELTER HILL FOUNDATION ----- 14 SUTTON PLACE SOUTH ----- NEW YORK, NY 10022 -----	\$ 50,000.	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II if there is a noncash contribution.)
10	NATURE PUBLISHING GROUP ----- 4 CRINAN STREET ----- LONDON, ENGLAND N1 9XW UNITED KINGDOM -----	\$ 22,000.	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II if there is a noncash contribution.)
-----	----- ----- -----	\$ -----	Person <input type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II if there is a noncash contribution.)
-----	----- ----- -----	\$ -----	Person <input type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II if there is a noncash contribution.)

Name of organization

Employer identification number

CREATIVE COMMONS CORPORATION

04-3585301

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
_____	N/A		
_____		\$ _____	
_____		\$ _____	
_____		\$ _____	
_____		\$ _____	
_____		\$ _____	
_____		\$ _____	
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_____		\$ _____	
_____		\$ _____	

Name of organization CREATIVE COMMONS CORPORATION	Employer identification number 04-3585301
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Part III Exclusively religious, charitable, etc, individual contributions to section 501(c)(7), (8) or (10) organizations that total more than \$1,000 for the year. Complete columns (a) through (e) and the following line entry. For organizations completing Part III, enter total of *exclusively* religious, charitable, etc, contributions of **\$1,000 or less** for the year. (Enter this information once. See instructions.) ▶ \$ **N/A**
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
	N/A		

(e) Transfer of gift		Relationship of transferor to transferee
Transferee's name, address, and ZIP + 4		

(a) No. from Part I	(b) Purpose of gift	(c) Use of gift	(d) Description of how gift is held

(e) Transfer of gift		Relationship of transferor to transferee
Transferee's name, address, and ZIP + 4		

(a) No. from Part I	(b) Purpose of gift	(c) Use of gift	(d) Description of how gift is held

(e) Transfer of gift		Relationship of transferor to transferee
Transferee's name, address, and ZIP + 4		

(a) No. from Part I	(b) Purpose of gift	(c) Use of gift	(d) Description of how gift is held

(e) Transfer of gift		Relationship of transferor to transferee
Transferee's name, address, and ZIP + 4		

STATEMENT 1
FORM 199, PART II, LINE 7
OTHER INCOME

EURO TO DOLLARS.....	\$	350.
OTHER INCOME.....		31,862.
PROGRAM SERVICE REVENUE.....		21,081.
	TOTAL \$	<u>53,293.</u>

STATEMENT 2
FORM 199, PART II, LINE 11
COMPENSATION OF OFFICERS, DIRECTORS, TRUSTEES AND KEY EMPLOYEES

CURRENT OFFICERS:

<u>NAME AND ADDRESS</u>	<u>TITLE AND AVERAGE HOURS PER WEEK DEVOTED</u>	<u>COMPEN- SATION</u>	<u>CONTRI- BUTION TO EBP & DC</u>	<u>EXPENSE ACCOUNT/ OTHER</u>
PAUL BREST 444 CASTRO STREET, SUITE 900 MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA 94041	CHAIRMAN 5.00	\$ 0.	\$ 0.	\$ 0.
ESTHER WOJCICKI 444 CASTRO STREET, SUITE 900 MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA 94041	VICE CHAIR 5.00	0.	0.	0.
CATHERINE CASSERLY 444 CASTRO STREET, SUITE 900 MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA 94041	CEO 40.00	377,574.	0.	0.
HAL ABLESON 444 CASTRO STREET, SUITE 900 MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA 94041	DIRECTOR 2.00	0.	0.	0.
GLENN OTIS BROWN 444 CASTRO STREET, SUITE 900 MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA 94041	DIRECTOR 40.00	0.	0.	0.
MICHAEL CARROLL 444 CASTRO STREET, SUITE 900 MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA 94041	DIRECTOR 2.00	0.	0.	0.
CATERINA FAKE 444 CASTRO STREET, SUITE 900 MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA 94041	DIRECTOR 2.00	0.	0.	0.
BRIAN FITZGERALD 444 CASTRO STREET, SUITE 900 MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA 94041	DIRECTOR 2.00	0.	0.	0.
DAVIS GUGGENHEIM 444 CASTRO STREET, SUITE 900 MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA 94041	DIRECTOR 2.00	0.	0.	0.

STATEMENT 2 (CONTINUED)

FORM 199, PART II, LINE 11

COMPENSATION OF OFFICERS, DIRECTORS, TRUSTEES AND KEY EMPLOYEES

CURRENT OFFICERS:

NAME AND ADDRESS	TITLE AND AVERAGE HOURS PER WEEK DEVOTED	COMPEN- SATION	CONTRI- BUTION TO EBP & DC	EXPENSE ACCOUNT/ OTHER
JOI ITO 444 CASTRO STREET, SUITE 900 MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA 94041	DIRECTOR 2.00	\$ 0.	\$ 0.	\$ 0.
LAWRENCE LESSIG 444 CASTRO STREET, SUITE 900 MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA 94041	DIRECTOR 2.00	0.	0.	0.
LAURIE RACINE 444 CASTRO STREET, SUITE 900 MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA 94041	DIRECTOR 2.00	0.	0.	0.
BRIAN FITZGERALD 444 CASTRO STREET, SUITE 900 MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA 94041	DIRECTOR 2.00	0.	0.	0.
ERIC SALTZMAN 444 CASTRO STREET, SUITE 900 MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA 94041	DIRECTOR 2.00	0.	0.	0.
MOLLY SHAFFER VAN HOUWELING 444 CASTRO STREET, SUITE 900 MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA 94041	DIRECTOR 2.00	0.	0.	0.
ANNETTE THOMAS 444 CASTRO STREET, SUITE 900 MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA 94041	DIRECTOR 2.00	0.	0.	0.
JIMMY WALES 444 CASTRO STREET, SUITE 900 MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA 94041	DIRECTOR 2.00	0.	0.	0.
DIANE CABELL 444 CASTRO STREET, SUITE 900 MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA 94041	CORP SECRETARY 10.00	30,500.	0.	0.
	TOTAL	\$ 408,074.	\$ 0.	\$ 0.

STATEMENT 3

FORM 199, PART II, LINE 17

OTHER EXPENSES

ACCOUNTING FEES.....	\$ 20,120.
CONFERENCES, CONVENTIONS, AND MEETINGS.....	897.
INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY.....	28,094.
INSURANCE.....	41,907.
LEGAL FEES.....	63,448.
MEMBERSHIP AND DUES.....	11,807.

STATEMENT 3 (CONTINUED)
FORM 199, PART II, LINE 17
OTHER EXPENSES

OFFICE EXPENSES.....	\$	53,381.
OTHER EMPLOYEE BENEFIT.....		219,049.
OTHER FEES.....		1,194,723.
PRINTING AND PUBLICATIONS.....		4,680.
RECRUITING.....		37,416.
SPECIAL EVENTS.....		43,575.
TRAINING.....		9,917.
TRAVEL.....		429,077.
	TOTAL	<u>\$ 2,158,091.</u>

STATEMENT 4
FORM 199, SCHEDULE L, LINE 7
INVESTMENTS IN STOCKS

INVESTMENTS.....	\$	5,263.
	TOTAL	<u>\$ 5,263.</u>

STATEMENT 5
FORM 199, SCHEDULE L, LINE 12
OTHER ASSETS

PREPAID EXPENSES AND DEFERRED CHARGES.....		30,984.
SECURITY DEPOSIT.....		78,291.
	TOTAL	<u>\$ 109,275.</u>

STATEMENT 6
FORM 199, SCHEDULE M-1, LINE 7
INCOME RECORDED ON BOOKS NOT ON RETURN

UNREALIZED GAIN ON INVESTMENTS.....	\$	1,057.
	TOTAL	<u>\$ 1,057.</u>

IN

MAIL TO:
 Registry of Charitable Trusts
 P.O. Box 903447
 Sacramento, CA 94203-4470
 Telephone: (916) 445-2021

WEBSITE ADDRESS:
<http://ag.ca.gov/charities/>

ANNUAL REGISTRATION RENEWAL FEE REPORT TO ATTORNEY GENERAL OF CALIFORNIA

Sections 12586 and 12587, California Government Code
 11 Cal. Code Regs. sections 301-307, 311 and 312

Failure to submit this report annually no later than four months and fifteen days after the end of the organization's accounting period may result in the loss of tax exemption and the assessment of a minimum tax of \$800, plus interest, and/or fines or filing penalties as defined in Government Code Section 12586.1. IRS extensions will be honored.



State Charity Registration Number <u>117756</u> CREATIVE COMMONS CORPORATION <small>Name of Organization</small> <u>444 CASTRO STREET #900</u> <small>Address (Number and Street)</small> <u>MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA 94041</u> <small>City or Town State ZIP Code</small>	Check if: <input type="checkbox"/> Change of address <input type="checkbox"/> Amended report Corporate or Organization No. <u>2412448</u> Federal Employer ID No. <u>04-3585301</u>
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ANNUAL REGISTRATION RENEWAL FEE SCHEDULE (11 Cal. Code Regs. sections 301-307, 311 and 312)
 Make Check Payable to Attorney General's Registry of Charitable Trusts

Gross Annual Revenue	Fee	Gross Annual Revenue	Fee	Gross Annual Revenue	Fee
Less than \$25,000	0	Between \$100,001 and \$250,000	\$50	Between \$1,000,001 and \$10 million	\$150
Between \$25,000 and \$100,000	\$25	Between \$250,001 and \$1 million	\$75	Between \$10,000,001 and \$50 million	\$225
				Greater than \$50 million	\$300

PART A – ACTIVITIES

For your most recent full accounting period (beginning 1/01/12 ending 12/31/12) list:
 Gross annual revenue \$ 1,128,968. Total assets \$ 6,058,282.

PART B – STATEMENTS REGARDING ORGANIZATION DURING THE PERIOD OF THIS REPORT

Note: If you answer 'yes' to any of the questions below, you must attach a separate sheet providing an explanation and details for each 'yes' response. Please review RRF-1 instructions for information required.

	Yes	No
1 During this reporting period, were there any contracts, loans, leases or other financial transactions between the organization and any officer, director or trustee thereof either directly or with an entity in which any such officer, director or trustee had any financial interest?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
2 During this reporting period, was there any theft, embezzlement, diversion or misuse of the organization's charitable property or funds?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
3 During this reporting period, did non-program expenditures exceed 50% of gross revenues?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
4 During this reporting period, were any organization funds used to pay any penalty, fine or judgment? If you filed a Form 4720 with the Internal Revenue Service, attach a copy.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
5 During this reporting period, were the services of a commercial fundraiser or fundraising counsel for charitable purposes used? If 'yes,' provide an attachment listing the name, address, and telephone number of the service provider.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
6 During this reporting period, did the organization receive any governmental funding? If so, provide an attachment listing the name of the agency, mailing address, contact person, and telephone number.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
7 During this reporting period, did the organization hold a raffle for charitable purposes? If 'yes,' provide an attachment indicating the number of raffles and the date(s) they occurred.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
8 Does the organization conduct a vehicle donation program? If 'yes,' provide an attachment indicating whether the program is operated by the charity or whether the organization contracts with a commercial fundraiser for charitable purposes.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
9 Did your organization have prepared an audited financial statement in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles for this reporting period?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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 Organization's e-mail address COUNSEL@CREATIVECOMMONS.ORG

I declare under penalty of perjury that I have examined this report, including accompanying documents, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct and complete.

CATHERINE CASSERLY
CEO
Date

Signature of authorized officer Printed Name Title