

Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax
Under section 501(c), 527, or 4947(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code (except private foundations)

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2019**Open to Public
Inspection****A For the 2019 calendar year, or tax year beginning , 2019, and ending ,****B** Check if applicable:

- ☐ Address change
☐ Name change
☐ Initial return
☐ Final return/terminated
☐ Amended return
☐ Application pending

C THE CENTER FOR INVESTIGATIVE REPORTING,
INC.
1400 65TH STREET #200
EMERYVILLE, CA 94608

D Employer identification number

94-2434026

E Telephone number

510.809.3160

G Gross receipts \$ 9,458,735.**H(a)** Is this a group return for subordinates? ☐ Yes ☒ No**H(b)** Are all subordinates included?
If "No," attach a list. (see instructions) ☐ Yes ☐ No**I** Tax-exempt status: ☒ 501(c)(3) ☐ 501(c) () (insert no.) ☐ 4947(a)(1) or ☐ 527**J** Website: ▶ WWW.REVEALNEWS.ORG**H(c)** Group exemption number ▶**K** Form of organization: ☒ Corporation ☐ Trust ☐ Association ☐ Other ▶**L** Year of formation: 1977**M** State of legal domicile: CA**Part I Summary**

Activities & Governance	1	Briefly describe the organization's mission or most significant activities: THE CENTER FOR INVESTIGATIVE REPORTING ENGAGES AND EMPOWERS THE PUBLIC THROUGH INVESTIGATIVE JOURNALISM AND GROUNDBREAKING STORYTELLING THAT SPARKS ACTION, IMPROVES LIVES AND PROTECTS OUR DEMOCRACY.		
	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)	3	18
	4	Number of independent voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1b)	4	17
	5	Total number of individuals employed in calendar year 2019 (Part V, line 2a)	5	90
	6	Total number of volunteers (estimate if necessary)	6	17
	7a	Total unrelated business revenue from Part VIII, column (C), line 12	7a	-541.
b	Net unrelated business taxable income from Form 990-T, line 39	7b	1,594.	
Revenue	8	Contributions and grants (Part VIII, line 1h)	Prior Year	Current Year
	9	Program service revenue (Part VIII, line 2g)	8,396,811.	8,943,251.
	10	Investment income (Part VIII, column (A), lines 3, 4, and 7d)	215,913.	377,213.
	11	Other revenue (Part VIII, column (A), lines 5, 6d, 8c, 9c, 10c, and 11e)	-710.	-228.
	12	Total revenue — add lines 8 through 11 (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	60,980.	64,883.
	12		8,672,994.	9,385,119.
Expenses	13	Grants and similar amounts paid (Part IX, column (A), lines 1-3)		
	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)	7,711,447.	8,150,291.
	16a	Professional fundraising fees (Part IX, column (A), line 11e)		
	b	Total fundraising expenses (Part IX, column (D), line 25) ▶ 596,156.		
	17	Other expenses (Part IX, column (A), lines 11a-11d, 11f-24e)	2,763,333.	2,601,564.
	18	Total expenses. Add lines 13-17 (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	10,474,780.	10,751,855.
19	Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 18 from line 12	-1,801,786.	-1,366,736.	
Net Assets or Fund Balances	20	Total assets (Part X, line 16)	Beginning of Current Year	End of Year
	21	Total liabilities (Part X, line 26)	8,951,141.	8,322,400.
	22	Net assets or fund balances. Subtract line 21 from line 20	3,041,335.	3,716,759.
22		5,909,806.	4,605,641.	

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		
	CHRISTA SCHARFENBERG		CEO		
Paid Preparer Use Only	Print/Type preparer's name	Preparer's signature	Date	Check <input type="checkbox"/> if self-employed	PTIN
	DOUGLAS W. REGALIA	DOUGLAS W. REGALIA			P00186389
	Firm's name	Firm's EIN ▶			
	REGALIA & ASSOCIATES, CPAS	68-0260103			
	Firm's address	Phone no.			
	103 TOWN & COUNTRY DR., STE. K	(925) 314-0390			
	DANVILLE, CA 94526				

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

Part III Statement of Program Service AccomplishmentsCheck if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part III. ☐**1** Briefly describe the organization's mission:

THE CENTER FOR INVESTIGATIVE REPORTING ENGAGES AND EMPOWERS THE PUBLIC THROUGH INVESTIGATIVE JOURNALISM AND GROUNDBREAKING STORYTELLING THAT SPARKS ACTION, IMPROVES LIVES AND PROTECTS OUR DEMOCRACY.

2 Did the organization undertake any significant program services during the year which were not listed on the prior Form 990 or 990-EZ? ☐ Yes ☒ No

If "Yes," describe these new services on Schedule O.

3 Did the organization cease conducting, or make significant changes in how it conducts, any program services? ☐ Yes ☒ No

If "Yes," describe these changes on Schedule O.

4 Describe the organization's program service accomplishments for each of its three largest program services, as measured by expenses. Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations are required to report the amount of grants and allocations to others, the total expenses, and revenue, if any, for each program service reported.**4a** (Code:) (Expenses \$ 8,338,647. including grants of \$) (Revenue \$ 438,469.)

THE MISSION OF THE CENTER FOR INVESTIGATIVE REPORTING (CIR) IS TO ENGAGE AND EMPOWER THE PUBLIC THROUGH INVESTIGATIVE JOURNALISM AND GROUNDBREAKING STORYTELLING THAT SPARKS ACTION, IMPROVES LIVES AND PROTECTS OUR DEMOCRACY. CIR IS AMONG THE MOST INNOVATIVE, CREDIBLE AND RELEVANT MEDIA ORGANIZATIONS IN THE COUNTRY. REVEAL - OUR WEBSITE, PUBLIC RADIO PROGRAM, PODCAST AND SOCIAL MEDIA PLATFORM - IS WHERE WE PUBLISH OUR MULTIPLATFORM WORK. OUR AWARD-WINNING JOURNALISTS HOLD THE POWERFUL ACCOUNTABLE AND REVEAL GOVERNMENT FRAUD AND WASTE OF TAXPAYER FUNDS, HUMAN RIGHTS VIOLATIONS, ENVIRONMENTAL DEGRADATION AND THREATS TO PUBLIC SAFETY. WE CONSISTENTLY SHINE A BRIGHT LIGHT ON INJUSTICE AND PROTECT THE MOST VULNERABLE IN OUR SOCIETY.

4b (Code:) (Expenses \$ including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)**4c** (Code:) (Expenses \$ including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)**4d** Other program services (Describe on Schedule O.)

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

4e Total program service expenses ▶ 8,338,647.

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>	1	X
2 Is the organization required to complete <i>Schedule B, Schedule of Contributors</i> (see instructions)?	2	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>	3	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>	4	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>	5	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>	6	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>	7	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>	8	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>	9	X
10 Did the organization, directly or through a related organization, hold assets in donor-restricted endowments or in quasi endowments? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule D, Part V</i>	10	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>	11a	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>	11b	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>	11c	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>	11d	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>	11e	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>	11f	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>	12a	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>	12b	X
13 Is the organization a school described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule E</i>	13	X
14a Did the organization maintain an office, employees, or agents outside of the United States?	14a	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>	14b	X
15 Did the organization report on Part IX, column (A), line 3, more than \$5,000 of grants or other assistance to or for any foreign organization? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule F, Parts II and IV</i>	15	X
16 Did the organization report on Part IX, column (A), line 3, more than \$5,000 of aggregate grants or other assistance to or for foreign individuals? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule F, Parts III and IV</i>	16	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</i> (see instructions)	17	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>	18	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>	19	X
20a Did the organization operate one or more hospital facilities? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule H</i>	20a	X
b If 'Yes' to line 20a, did the organization attach a copy of its audited financial statements to this return?	20b	
21 Did the organization report more than \$5,000 of grants or other assistance to any domestic organization or domestic government on Part IX, column (A), line 1? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule I, Parts I and II</i>	21	X

Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules (continued)

	Yes	No
22 Did the organization report more than \$5,000 of grants or other assistance to or for domestic individuals on Part IX, column (A), line 2? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule I, Parts I and III</i>	22	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>	23	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, that was issued after December 31, 2002? <i>If 'Yes,' answer lines 24b through 24d and complete Schedule K. If 'No,' go to line 25a</i>	24a	X
b Did the organization invest any proceeds of tax-exempt bonds beyond a temporary period exception?	24b	
c Did the organization maintain an escrow account other than a refunding escrow at any time during the year to defease any tax-exempt bonds?	24c	
d Did the organization act as an 'on behalf of' issuer for bonds outstanding at any time during the year?	24d	
25a Section 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations. Did the organization engage in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person during the year? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule L, Part I</i>	25a	X
b Is the organization aware that it engaged in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person in a prior year, and that the transaction has not been reported on any of the organization's prior Forms 990 or 990-EZ? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule L, Part I</i>	25b	X
26 Did the organization report any amount on Part X, line 5 or 22, for receivables from or payables to any current or former officer, director, trustee, key employee, creator or founder, substantial contributor, or 35% controlled entity or family member of any of these persons? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule L, Part II</i>	26	X
27 Did the organization provide a grant or other assistance to any current or former officer, director, trustee, key employee, creator or founder, substantial contributor or employee thereof, a grant selection committee member, or to a 35% controlled entity (including an employee thereof) or family member of any of these persons? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule L, Part III</i>	27	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):		
a A current or former officer, director, trustee, key employee, creator or founder, or substantial contributor? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule L, Part IV</i>	28a	X
b A family member of any individual described in line 28a? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule L, Part IV</i>	28b	X
c A 35% controlled entity of one or more individuals and/or organizations described in lines 28a or 28b? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule L, Part IV</i>	28c	X
29 Did the organization receive more than \$25,000 in non-cash contributions? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule M</i>	29	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>	30	X
31 Did the organization liquidate, terminate, or dissolve and cease operations? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule N, Part I</i>	31	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>	32	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>	33	X
34 Was the organization related to any tax-exempt or taxable entity? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule R, Part II, III, or IV, and Part V, line 1</i>	34	X
35a Did the organization have a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)?	35a	X
b If 'Yes' to line 35a, did the organization receive any payment from or engage in any transaction with a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2</i>	35b	
36 Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization? <i>If 'Yes,' complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2</i>	36	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>	37	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.	38	X

Part V Statements Regarding Other IRS Filings and Tax ComplianceCheck if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line 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	126
b Enter the number of Forms W-2G included in line 1a. Enter -0- if not applicable.	1 b	0
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

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

	Yes	No
2a Enter the number of employees reported on Form W-3, Transmittal of Wage and Tax Statements, filed for the calendar year ending with or within the year covered by this return. 2a 90		
b If at least one is reported on line 2a, did the organization file all required federal employment tax returns? 2b	X	
Note: If the sum of lines 1a and 2a is greater than 250, you may be required to e-file (see instructions)		
3a Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year? 3a	X	
b If 'Yes,' has it filed a Form 990-T for this year? If 'No' to line 3b, provide an explanation on Schedule O. 3b	X	
4a At any time during the calendar year, did the organization have an interest in, or a signature or other authority over, a financial account in a foreign country (such as a bank account, securities account, or other financial account)? 4a		X
b If 'Yes,' enter the name of the foreign country ▶ See instructions for filing requirements for FinCEN Form 114, Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts (FBAR).		
5a Was the organization a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction at any time during the tax year? 5a		X
b Did any taxable party notify the organization that it was or is a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction? 5b		X
c If 'Yes,' to line 5a or 5b, did the organization file Form 8886-T? 5c		
6a Does the organization have annual gross receipts that are normally greater than \$100,000, and did the organization solicit any contributions that were not tax deductible as charitable contributions? 6a		X
b If 'Yes,' did the organization include with every solicitation an express statement that such contributions or gifts were not tax deductible? 6b		
7 Organizations that may receive deductible contributions under section 170(c).		
a Did the organization receive a payment in excess of \$75 made partly as a contribution and partly for goods and services provided to the payor? 7a		X
b If 'Yes,' did the organization notify the donor of the value of the goods or services provided? 7b		
c Did the organization sell, exchange, or otherwise dispose of tangible personal property for which it was required to file Form 8282? 7c		X
d If 'Yes,' indicate the number of Forms 8282 filed during the year. 7d		
e Did the organization receive any funds, directly or indirectly, to pay premiums on a personal benefit contract? 7e		X
f Did the organization, during the year, pay premiums, directly or indirectly, on a personal benefit contract? 7f		X
g If the organization received a contribution of qualified intellectual property, did the organization file Form 8899 as required? 7g		
h If the organization received a contribution of cars, boats, airplanes, or other vehicles, did the organization file a Form 1098-C? 7h		
8 Sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds. Did a donor advised fund maintained by the sponsoring organization have excess business holdings at any time during the year? 8		
9 Sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds.		
a Did the sponsoring organization make any taxable distributions under section 4966? 9a		
b Did the sponsoring organization make a distribution to a donor, donor advisor, or related person? 9b		
10 Section 501(c)(7) organizations. Enter:		
a Initiation fees and capital contributions included on Part VIII, line 12. 10a		
b Gross receipts, included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, for public use of club facilities. 10b		
11 Section 501(c)(12) organizations. Enter:		
a Gross income from members or shareholders. 11a		
b Gross income from other sources (Do not net amounts due or paid to other sources against amounts due or received from them.) 11b		
12a Section 4947(a)(1) non-exempt charitable trusts. Is the organization filing Form 990 in lieu of Form 1041? 12a		
b If 'Yes,' enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the year 12b		
13 Section 501(c)(29) qualified nonprofit health insurance issuers.		
a Is the organization licensed to issue qualified health plans in more than one state? 13a		
Note: See the instructions for additional information the organization must report on Schedule O.		
b Enter the amount of reserves the organization is required to maintain by the states in which the organization is licensed to issue qualified health plans. 13b		
c Enter the amount of reserves on hand 13c		
14a Did the organization receive any payments for indoor tanning services during the tax year? 14a		X
b If 'Yes,' has it filed a Form 720 to report these payments? If 'No,' provide an explanation on Schedule O. 14b		
15 Is the organization subject to the section 4960 tax on payment(s) of more than \$1,000,000 in remuneration or excess parachute payment(s) during the year? 15		X
If 'Yes,' see instructions and file Form 4720, Schedule N.		
16 Is the organization an educational institution subject to the section 4968 excise tax on net investment income? 16		X
If 'Yes,' complete Form 4720, Schedule O.		

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 on Schedule O. See instructions.Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part VI ☒**Section A. Governing Body and Management**

	Yes	No
1 a Enter the number of voting members of the governing body at the end of the tax year 1 a 18 If there are material differences in voting rights among members SEE SCH. O of the governing body, or if the governing body delegated broad authority to an executive committee or similar committee, explain on Schedule O.		
b Enter the number of voting members included on 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		X
3 Did the organization delegate control over management duties customarily performed by or under the direct supervision of officers, directors, 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
b Are any governance decisions of the organization reserved to (or subject to approval by) members, stockholders, or 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:		
a The governing body? 8 a	X	
b Each committee with authority to act on behalf of the governing body? 8 b	X	
9 Is there any officer, director, trustee, or key employee listed in Part VII, Section A, who cannot be reached at the organization's mailing address? If 'Yes,' provide the names and addresses on 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
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	
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	
b Were officers, directors, or trustees, and key employees required to disclose annually interests that could give rise to conflicts? 12 b	X	
c Did the organization regularly and consistently monitor and enforce compliance with the policy? If 'Yes,' describe in Schedule O how this was done. SEE SCHEDULE O. 12 c	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?		
a The organization's CEO, Executive Director, or top management official SEE SCHEDULE O	X	
b Other officers or key employees of the organization SEE SCHEDULE O	X	
If 'Yes' to line 15a or 15b, describe the process in Schedule O (see instructions).		
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
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 take 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

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

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

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

20 State the name, address, and telephone number of the person who possesses the organization's books and records ►

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Part VII Compensation of Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, Highest Compensated Employees, and Independent ContractorsCheck if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part VII. ☐**Section A. Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees****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.

See instructions for the order in which to list the persons above.

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

(A) Name and title	(B) Average hours per week (list any hours for related organizations below dotted line)	(C) Position (do not check more than one box, unless person is both an officer and a director/trustee)						(D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W-2/1099-MISC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W-2/1099-MISC)	(F) Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations
		Individual trustee or director	Institutional trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former			
(1) CHRISTA SCHARFENBERG CEO	40 0			X				295,000.	0.	22,312.
(2) KEVIN SULLIVAN EXECUTIVE PRODUCER	40 0					X		200,000.	0.	22,746.
(3) MATTHEW THOMPSON EDITOR IN CHIEF	40 0					X		187,500.	0.	12,549.
(4) ALFRED LETSON RADIO SHOW HOST	40 0					X		180,625.	0.	18,740.
(5) AMANDA PIKE DIR OF TV & DOC'S	40 0					X		170,000.	0.	23,338.
(6) DIANA BARANETSKY GENERAL COUNSEL	40 0					X		177,500.	0.	13,684.
(7) ANNIE CHABEL COO	40 0			X				173,333.	0.	10,115.
(8) PHIL BRONSTEIN EXECUTIVE CHAIR	40 0	X		X				110,000.	0.	27,384.
(9) MEDO NASRY CONTROLLER	40 0			X				125,733.	0.	4,583.
(10) ROBERT J. ROSENTHAL DIRECTOR	2 0	X						24,213.	0.	0.
(11) JUSTIN NYWEIDE FINANCE CHAIR	4 0	X		X				0.	0.	0.
(12) ROY BAHAT VICE CHAIR	4 0	X		X				0.	0.	0.
(13) SUSAN F. SACHS SECRETARY	4 0	X		X				0.	0.	0.
(14) SUZETTE CLARKE DIRECTOR	2 0	X						0.	0.	0.

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

(A) Name and title	(B) Average hours per week (list any hours for related organizations below dotted line)	(C) Position (do not check more than one box, unless person is both an officer and a director/trustee)						(D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W-2/1099-MISC)	(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) TOM LOCKARD DIRECTOR	2 0	X						0.	0.	0.
(16) BLYE FAUST DIRECTOR	2 0	X						0.	0.	0.
(17) WILLIAM R. HEARST III DIRECTOR	2 0	X						0.	0.	0.
(18) SUSAN HIRSCH DIRECTOR	2 0	X						0.	0.	0.
(19) PETER KIM DIRECTOR	2 0	X						0.	0.	0.
(20) ROBERT KING DIRECTOR	2 0	X						0.	0.	0.
(21) JON LOGAN DIRECTOR	2 0	X						0.	0.	0.
(22) DAWN PORTER DIRECTOR	2 0	X						0.	0.	0.
(23) CHRISTIAN SELCHAU-HANSEN DIRECTOR	2 0	X						0.	0.	0.
(24) GABRIEL STRICKER DIRECTOR	2 0	X						0.	0.	0.
(25) HOWARD ZACK DIRECTOR	2 0	X						0.	0.	0.
1 b Subtotal								1,643,904.	0.	155,451.
c Total from continuation sheets to Part VII, Section A								0.	0.	0.
d Total (add lines 1b and 1c)								1,643,904.	0.	155,451.
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										9

	Yes	No
3 Did the organization list any former officer, director, 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

(A) Name and business address	(B) Description of services	(C) Compensation
DAVIS WRIGHT TREMAINE, LLP 505 MONTGOMERY STREET #800 SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94104	LEGAL SERVICES	216,379.
CLPF - ET, LP 230 PARK AVE 12TH FL NEW YORK, NY 10169	OFFICE LEASE	446,767.
BCORE EMERYTECH OWNER LLC 1400 65TH STREET EMERYVILLE, CA 94608	OFFICE LEASE	132,904.
2 Total number of independent contractors (including but not limited to those listed above) who received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization		3

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Name of the Organization

Employer Identification number

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Part VII Continuation: Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees

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Part VIII Statement of RevenueCheck if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part VIII ☐

			(A) Total revenue	(B) Related or exempt function revenue	(C) Unrelated business revenue	(D) Revenue excluded from tax under sections 512-514
Contributions, Gifts, Grants and Other Similar Amounts	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 8,943,251.				
	g Noncash contributions included in lines 1a-1f	1 g 74,408.				
	h Total. Add lines 1a-1f		8,943,251.			
Program Service Revenue	Business Code					
	2 a <u>CONTENT FEES</u>	516110	365,779.	365,779.		
	b <u>PUBLICATIONS/ADVERTISING</u>	516110	6,802.	6,802.		
	c <u>FISCAL SPONSORSHIP FEES</u>	516110	4,632.	4,632.		
	d					
	e					
	f All other program service revenue					
	g Total. Add lines 2a-2f		377,213.			
Other Revenue	3 Investment income (including dividends, interest, and other similar amounts)		-228.			-228.
	4 Income from investment of tax-exempt bond proceeds					
	5 Royalties		7,392.	7,392.		
	6 a Gross rents	6 a (i) Real 73,075. (ii) Personal				
	b Less: rental expenses	6 b 73,616.				
	c Rental income or (loss)	6 c -541.				
	d Net rental income or (loss)		-541.		-541.	
	7 a Gross amount from sales of assets other than inventory	7 a (i) Securities (ii) Other				
	b Less: cost or other basis and sales expenses	7 b				
	c Gain or (loss)	7 c				
	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	8 a				
	b Less: direct expenses	8 b				
	c Net income or (loss) from fundraising events					
	9 a Gross income from gaming activities. See Part IV, line 19	9 a				
	b Less: direct expenses	9 b				
	c Net income or (loss) from gaming activities					
	10 a Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances	10 a				
b Less: cost of goods sold	10 b					
c Net income or (loss) from sales of inventory						
Miscellaneous Revenue	Business Code					
	11 a <u>OTHER INCOME</u>	516110	58,032.	58,032.		
	b					
	c					
	d All other revenue					
	e Total. Add lines 11a-11d		58,032.			
12 Total revenue. See instructions		9,385,119.	442,637.	-541.	-228.	

Part IX Statement of Functional Expenses

Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations must complete all columns. All other organizations must complete column (A).

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part IX. ☐

Do not include amounts reported on lines 6b, 7b, 8b, 9b, and 10b of Part VIII.	(A) Total expenses	(B) Program service expenses	(C) Management and general expenses	(D) Fundraising expenses
1 Grants and other assistance to domestic organizations and domestic governments. See Part IV, line 21.				
2 Grants and other assistance to domestic individuals. See Part IV, line 22.				
3 Grants and other assistance to foreign organizations, foreign governments, and foreign individuals. See Part IV, lines 15 and 16.				
4 Benefits paid to or for members.				
5 Compensation of current officers, directors, trustees, and key employees.	728,279.	96,196.	580,083.	52,000.
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.	6,126,894.	5,311,466.	518,169.	297,259.
8 Pension plan accruals and contributions (include section 401(k) and 403(b) employer contributions).	128,876.	101,663.	20,647.	6,566.
9 Other employee benefits.	659,092.	519,921.	105,592.	33,579.
10 Payroll taxes.	507,150.	400,062.	81,250.	25,838.
11 Fees for services (nonemployees):				
a Management.				
b Legal.	62,272.	400.	61,872.	
c Accounting.	18,366.		18,366.	
d Lobbying.				
e Professional fundraising services. See Part IV, line 17.				
f Investment management fees.				
g Other. (If line 11g amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A) amount, list line 11g expenses on Schedule O.)	424,998.	381,060.	27,438.	16,500.
12 Advertising and promotion.				
13 Office expenses.	24,786.	18,589.	3,718.	2,479.
14 Information technology.	86,545.	821.	84,609.	1,115.
15 Royalties.				
16 Occupancy.	768,026.	576,019.	115,204.	76,803.
17 Travel.	364,290.	287,587.	71,223.	5,480.
18 Payments of travel or entertainment expenses for any federal, state, or local public officials.				
19 Conferences, conventions, and meetings.				
20 Interest.	10,651.	7,988.	1,598.	1,065.
21 Payments to affiliates.				
22 Depreciation, depletion, and amortization.	86,409.	64,807.	12,961.	8,641.
23 Insurance.	294,298.	220,723.	44,145.	29,430.
24 Other expenses. Itemize expenses not covered above (List miscellaneous expenses on line 24e. If line 24e amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A) amount, list line 24e expenses on Schedule O.)				
a PROJECT & PRODUCTION EXPENSES	275,849.	263,149.	10,616.	2,084.
b HUMAN RESOURCES & RECRUITMENT	135,591.	31,579.	102,055.	1,957.
c PUBLIC RELATIONS AND PROMOTION	37,118.	26,443.	2,595.	8,080.
d OTHER	24,838.	18,629.	3,725.	2,484.
e All other expenses.	-12,473.	11,545.	-48,814.	24,796.
25 Total functional expenses. Add lines 1 through 24e.	10,751,855.	8,338,647.	1,817,052.	596,156.
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 SheetCheck if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part X. ☐

		(A) Beginning of year		(B) End of year
Assets	1 Cash — non-interest-bearing	1,326,509.	1	1,922,878.
	2 Savings and temporary cash investments	9,177.	2	22,215.
	3 Pledges and grants receivable, net	4,620,489.	3	3,542,873.
	4 Accounts receivable, net	218,696.	4	539,069.
	5 Loans and other receivables from any current or former officer, director, trustee, key employee, creator or founder, substantial contributor, or 35% controlled entity or family member of any of these persons		5	
	6 Loans and other receivables from other disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)), and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B)		6	
	7 Notes and loans receivable, net		7	
	8 Inventories for sale or use		8	
	9 Prepaid expenses and deferred charges	202,294.	9	285,096.
	10a Land, buildings, and equipment: cost or other basis. Complete Part VI of Schedule D	10a 1,181,407.		
	b Less: accumulated depreciation	10b 1,099,562.		
		137,191.	10c	81,845.
	11 Investments — publicly traded securities		11	
	12 Investments — other securities. See Part IV, line 11		12	
	13 Investments — program-related. See Part IV, line 11		13	
	14 Intangible assets		14	
15 Other assets. See Part IV, line 11	2,436,785.	15	1,928,424.	
16 Total assets. Add lines 1 through 15 (must equal line 33)	8,951,141.	16	8,322,400.	
Liabilities	17 Accounts payable and accrued expenses	305,991.	17	203,029.
	18 Grants payable		18	
	19 Deferred revenue	400.	19	1,192,437.
	20 Tax-exempt bond liabilities		20	
	21 Escrow or custodial account liability. Complete Part IV of Schedule D		21	
	22 Loans and other payables to any current or former officer, director, trustee, key employee, creator or founder, substantial contributor, or 35% controlled entity or family member of any of these persons		22	
	23 Secured mortgages and notes payable to unrelated third parties		23	
	24 Unsecured notes and loans payable to unrelated third parties		24	
	25 Other liabilities (including federal income tax, payables to related third parties, and other liabilities not included on lines 17-24). Complete Part X of Schedule D	2,734,944.	25	2,321,293.
	26 Total liabilities. Add lines 17 through 25	3,041,335.	26	3,716,759.
Net Assets or Fund Balances	Organizations that follow FASB ASC 958, check here ▶ <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
	and complete lines 27, 28, 32, and 33.			
	27 Net assets without donor restrictions	132,594.	27	207,176.
	28 Net assets with donor restrictions	5,777,212.	28	4,398,465.
	Organizations that do not follow FASB ASC 958, check here ▶ <input type="checkbox"/>			
	and complete lines 29 through 33.			
	29 Capital stock or trust principal, or current funds		29	
	30 Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, building, or equipment fund		30	
	31 Retained earnings, endowment, accumulated income, or other funds		31	
32 Total net assets or fund balances.	5,909,806.	32	4,605,641.	
33 Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances.	8,951,141.	33	8,322,400.	

Part XI Reconciliation of Net AssetsCheck if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part XI ☒

1	Total revenue (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	1	9,385,119.
2	Total expenses (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	2	10,751,855.
3	Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 2 from line 1	3	-1,366,736.
4	Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (must equal Part X, line 32, column (A))	4	5,909,806.
5	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	5	
6	Donated services and use of facilities	6	
7	Investment expenses	7	
8	Prior period adjustments	8	
9	Other changes in net assets or fund balances (explain on Schedule O) SEE SCHEDULE O	9	62,571.
10	Net assets or fund balances at end of year. Combine lines 3 through 9 (must equal Part X, line 32, column (B))	10	4,605,641.

Part XII Financial Statements and ReportingCheck if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part XII ☐

	Yes	No
1 Accounting method used to prepare the Form 990: <input type="checkbox"/> Cash <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Accrual <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____		
If the organization changed its method of accounting from a prior year or checked 'Other,' explain in Schedule O.		
2a 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		
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 type="checkbox"/> Separate basis <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Consolidated basis <input type="checkbox"/> Both consolidated and separate basis		
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 on Schedule O.		
3a As a result of a federal award, was the organization required to undergo an audit or audits as set forth in the Single Audit Act and OMB Circular A-133?		X
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 on 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.

▶ Go to www.irs.gov/Form990 for instructions and the latest information.

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**Open to Public
Inspection**

Name of the organization **THE CENTER FOR INVESTIGATIVE REPORTING,
INC.**

Employer identification number

94-2434026

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

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

- 1 ☐ A church, convention of churches, or association of churches described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(i).**
- 2 ☐ A school described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii).** (Attach Schedule E (Form 990 or 990-EZ).)
- 3 ☐ A hospital or a cooperative hospital service organization described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii).**
- 4 ☐ A medical research organization operated in conjunction with a hospital described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii).** Enter the hospital's name, city, and state: _____
- 5 ☐ An organization operated for the benefit of a college or university owned or operated by a governmental unit described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iv).** (Complete Part II.)
- 6 ☐ A federal, state, or local government or governmental unit described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(v).**
- 7 ☒ An organization that normally receives a substantial part of its support from a governmental unit or from the general public described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi).** (Complete Part II.)
- 8 ☐ A community trust described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi).** (Complete Part II.)
- 9 ☐ An agricultural research organization described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(ix)** operated in conjunction with a land-grant college or university or a non-land-grant college of agriculture (see instructions). Enter the name, city, and state of the college or university: _____
- 10 ☐ An organization that normally receives: (1) more than 33-1/3% of its support from contributions, membership fees, and gross receipts from activities related to its exempt functions—subject to certain exceptions, and (2) no more than 33-1/3% of its support from gross investment income and unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 tax) from businesses acquired by the organization after June 30, 1975. See **section 509(a)(2).** (Complete Part III.)
- 11 ☐ An organization organized and operated exclusively to test for public safety. See **section 509(a)(4).**
- 12 ☐ An organization organized and operated exclusively for the benefit of, to perform the functions of, or to carry out the purposes of one or more publicly supported organizations described in **section 509(a)(1)** or **section 509(a)(2).** See **section 509(a)(3).** Check the box in lines 12a through 12d that describes the type of supporting organization and complete lines 12e, 12f, and 12g.
- a ☐ **Type I.** A supporting organization operated, supervised, or controlled by its supported organization(s), typically by giving the supported organization(s) the power to regularly appoint or elect a majority of the directors or trustees of the supporting organization. **You must complete Part IV, Sections A and B.**
- b ☐ **Type II.** A supporting organization supervised or controlled in connection with its supported organization(s), by having control or management of the supporting organization vested in the same persons that control or manage the supported organization(s). **You must complete Part IV, Sections A and C.**
- c ☐ **Type III functionally integrated.** A supporting organization operated in connection with, and functionally integrated with, its supported organization(s) (see instructions). **You must complete Part IV, Sections A, D, and E.**
- d ☐ **Type III non-functionally integrated.** A supporting organization operated in connection with its supported organization(s) that is not functionally integrated. The organization generally must satisfy a distribution requirement and an attentiveness requirement (see instructions). **You must complete Part IV, Sections A and D, and Part V.**
- e ☐ Check this box if the organization received a written determination from the IRS that it is a Type I, Type II, Type III functionally integrated, or Type III non-functionally integrated supporting organization.
- f Enter the number of supported organizations. _____
- g Provide the following information about the supported organization(s).

(i) Name of supported organization	(ii) EIN	(iii) Type of organization (described on lines 1-10 above (see instructions))	(iv) Is the organization listed in your governing document?		(v) Amount of monetary support (see instructions)	(vi) Amount of other support (see instructions)
			Yes	No		
(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) 2015	(b) 2016	(c) 2017	(d) 2018	(e) 2019	(f) Total
1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received. (Do not include any 'unusual grants'.)	13330101.	9,935,847.	13354109.	8,396,809.	8,943,251.	53,960,117.
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	13330101.	9,935,847.	13354109.	8,396,809.	8,943,251.	53,960,117.
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).						12,411,798.
6 Public support. Subtract line 5 from line 4.						41,548,319.

Section B. Total Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ▶	(a) 2015	(b) 2016	(c) 2017	(d) 2018	(e) 2019	(f) Total
7 Amounts from line 4	13330101.	9,935,847.	13354109.	8,396,809.	8,943,251.	53,960,117.
8 Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties, and income from similar sources.	8,842.	280.	-37.	-710.	-228.	8,147.
9 Net income from unrelated business activities, whether or not the business is regularly carried on.						0.
10 Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part VI.)						0.
11 Total support. Add lines 7 through 10.						53,968,264.
12 Gross receipts from related activities, etc. (see instructions).					12	1,653,826.
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 2019 (line 6, column (f) divided by line 11, column (f)).	14	76.99 %
15 Public support percentage from 2018 Schedule A, Part II, line 14	15	78.22 %
16a 33-1/3% support test—2019. If the organization did not check the box on line 13, and line 14 is 33-1/3% or more, check this box and stop here. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization ▶ <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
b 33-1/3% support test—2018. 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—2019. If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, or 16b, and line 14 is 10% or more, and if the organization meets the 'facts-and-circumstances' test, check this box and stop here. Explain in Part VI how the organization meets the 'facts-and-circumstances' test. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization ▶ <input type="checkbox"/>		
b 10%-facts-and-circumstances test—2018. If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, 16b, or 17a, and line 15 is 10% or more, and if the organization meets the 'facts-and-circumstances' test, check this box and stop here. Explain in Part VI how the organization meets the 'facts-and-circumstances' test. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization. ▶ <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 10 of Part I or if the organization failed to qualify under Part II. If the organization fails to qualify under the tests listed below, please complete Part II.)

Section A. Public Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ►	(a) 2015	(b) 2016	(c) 2017	(d) 2018	(e) 2019	(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 year beginning in) ►	(a) 2015	(b) 2016	(c) 2017	(d) 2018	(e) 2019	(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 VI.)						
13 Total support. (Add lines 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 2019 (line 8, column (f), divided by line 13, column (f)).	15	%
16 Public support percentage from 2018 Schedule A, Part III, line 15.	16	%

Section D. Computation of Investment Income Percentage

17 Investment income percentage for 2019 (line 10c, column (f), divided by line 13, column (f)).	17	%
18 Investment income percentage from 2018 Schedule A, Part III, line 17.	18	%

19a 33-1/3% support tests—2019. 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—2018.** 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 Supporting Organizations

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

Section A. All Supporting Organizations

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

Part IV Supporting Organizations (continued)

	Yes	No
11 Has the organization accepted a gift or contribution from any of the following persons?		
a A person who directly or indirectly controls, either alone or together with persons described in (b) and (c) below, the governing body of a supported organization?	11a	
b A family member of a person described in (a) above?	11b	
c A 35% controlled entity of a person described in (a) or (b) above? If 'Yes' to a, b, or c, provide detail in Part VI .	11c	

Section B. Type I Supporting Organizations

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

Section C. Type II Supporting Organizations

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

Section D. All Type III Supporting Organizations

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

Section E. Type III Functionally Integrated Supporting Organizations

- 1** Check the box next to the method that the organization used to satisfy the Integral Part Test during the year (see instructions).
- a** ☐ The organization satisfied the Activities Test. Complete **line 2** below.
- b** ☐ The organization is the parent of each of its supported organizations. Complete **line 3** below.
- c** ☐ The organization supported a governmental entity. Describe in **Part VI** how you supported a government entity (see instructions).

2 Activities Test. Answer (a) and (b) below.

- a** Did substantially all of the organization's activities during the tax year directly further the exempt purposes of the supported organization(s) to which the organization was responsive? If 'Yes,' then in **Part VI** identify those supported organizations and explain how these activities directly furthered their exempt purposes, how the organization was responsive to those supported organizations, and how the organization determined that these activities constituted substantially all of its activities.

- b** Did the activities described in (a) constitute activities that, but for the organization's involvement, one or more of the organization's supported organization(s) would have been engaged in? If 'Yes,' explain in **Part VI** the reasons for the organization's position that its supported organization(s) would have engaged in these activities but for the organization's involvement.

3 Parent of Supported Organizations. Answer (a) and (b) below.

- a** Did the organization have the power to regularly appoint or elect a majority of the officers, directors, or trustees of each of the supported organizations? Provide details in **Part VI**.

- b** Did the organization exercise a substantial degree of direction over the policies, programs, and activities of each of its supported organizations? If 'Yes,' describe in **Part VI** the role played by the organization in this regard.

	Yes	No
2a		
2b		
3a		
3b		

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

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

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

Section B – Minimum Asset Amount		(A) Prior Year	(B) Current Year (optional)
1	Aggregate fair market value of all non-exempt-use assets (see instructions for short tax year or assets held for part of year):		
a	Average monthly value of securities	1a	
b	Average monthly cash balances	1b	
c	Fair market value of other non-exempt-use assets	1c	
d	Total (add lines 1a, 1b, and 1c)	1d	
e	Discount claimed for blockage or other factors (explain in detail in Part VI):		
2	Acquisition indebtedness applicable to non-exempt-use assets	2	
3	Subtract line 2 from line 1d.	3	
4	Cash deemed held for exempt use. Enter 1-1/2% of line 3 (for greater amount, see instructions).	4	
5	Net value of non-exempt-use assets (subtract line 4 from line 3)	5	
6	Multiply line 5 by .035.	6	
7	Recoveries of prior-year distributions	7	
8	Minimum Asset Amount (add line 7 to line 6)	8	

Section C – Distributable Amount			Current Year
1	Adjusted net income for prior year (from Section A, line 8, Column A)	1	
2	Enter 85% of line 1.	2	
3	Minimum asset amount for prior year (from Section B, line 8, Column A)	3	
4	Enter greater of line 2 or line 3.	4	
5	Income tax imposed in prior year	5	
6	Distributable Amount. Subtract line 5 from line 4, unless subject to emergency temporary reduction (see instructions).	6	
7	<input type="checkbox"/> Check here if the current year is the organization's first as a non-functionally integrated Type III supporting organization (see instructions).		

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

Section D – Distributions	Current Year
1 Amounts paid to supported organizations to accomplish exempt purposes	
2 Amounts paid to perform activity that directly furthers exempt purposes of supported organizations, in excess of income from activity	
3 Administrative expenses paid to accomplish exempt purposes of supported organizations	
4 Amounts paid to acquire exempt-use assets	
5 Qualified set-aside amounts (prior IRS approval required)	
6 Other distributions (describe in Part VI). See instructions.	
7 Total annual distributions. Add lines 1 through 6.	
8 Distributions to attentive supported organizations to which the organization is responsive (provide details in Part VI). See instructions.	
9 Distributable amount for 2019 from Section C, line 6	
10 Line 8 amount divided by line 9 amount	

Section E – Distribution Allocations (see instructions)	(i) Excess Distributions	(ii) Underdistributions Pre-2019	(iii) Distributable Amount for 2019
1 Distributable amount for 2019 from Section C, line 6			
2 Underdistributions, if any, for years prior to 2019 (reasonable cause required – explain in Part VI). See instructions.			
3 Excess distributions carryover, if any, to 2019			
a From 2014.....			
b From 2015.....			
c From 2016.....			
d From 2017.....			
e From 2018.....			
f Total of lines 3a through e			
g Applied to underdistributions of prior years			
h Applied to 2019 distributable amount			
i Carryover from 2014 not applied (see instructions)			
j Remainder. Subtract lines 3g, 3h, and 3i from 3f.			
4 Distributions for 2019 from Section D, line 7: \$			
a Applied to underdistributions of prior years			
b Applied to 2019 distributable amount			
c Remainder. Subtract lines 4a and 4b from 4.			
5 Remaining underdistributions for years prior to 2019, if any. Subtract lines 3g and 4a from line 2. For result greater than zero, explain in Part VI. See instructions.			
6 Remaining underdistributions for 2019. Subtract lines 3h and 4b from line 1. For result greater than zero, explain in Part VI. See instructions.			
7 Excess distributions carryover to 2020. Add lines 3j and 4c.			
8 Breakdown of line 7:			
a Excess from 2015.....			
b Excess from 2016.....			
c Excess from 2017.....			
d Excess from 2018.....			
e Excess from 2019.....			

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

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

Name of the organization

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

▶ Attach to Form 990.

▶ Go to www.irs.gov/Form990 for instructions and the latest information.

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Part I Organizations Maintaining Donor Advised Funds or Other Similar Funds or Accounts.

Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' on Form 990, Part IV, line 6.

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

5 Did the organization inform all donors and donor advisors in writing that the assets held in donor advised funds are the organization's property, subject to the organization's exclusive legal control? ☐ Yes ☐ No

6 Did the organization inform all grantees, donors, and donor advisors in writing that grant funds can be used only for charitable purposes and not for the benefit of the donor or donor advisor, or for any other purpose conferring impermissible private benefit? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Part II Conservation Easements.

Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' on Form 990, Part IV, line 7.

1 Purpose(s) of conservation easements held by the organization (check all that apply).

<input type="checkbox"/> Preservation of land for public use (for example, recreation or education)	<input type="checkbox"/> Preservation of a historically important land area
<input type="checkbox"/> Protection of natural habitat	<input type="checkbox"/> Preservation of a certified historic structure
<input type="checkbox"/> 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 7/25/06, 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, handling of violations, and enforcing conservation easements during the year ▶

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

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

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

Part III Organizations Maintaining Collections of Art, Historical Treasures, or Other Similar Assets.

Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' on Form 990, Part IV, line 8.

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

b If the organization elected, as permitted under FASB ASC 958, to report in its revenue statement and balance sheet works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets held for public exhibition, education, or research in furtherance of public service, provide the following amounts relating to these items:

(i) Revenue included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 1. ▶ \$

(ii) Assets included in Form 990, Part X. ▶ \$

2 If the organization received or held works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets for financial gain, provide the following amounts required to be reported under FASB ASC 958 relating to these items:

a Revenue included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 1. ▶ \$

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

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

- 3 Using the organization's acquisition, accession, and other records, check any of the following that make significant use of its collection items (check all that apply):
- a ☐ Public exhibition d ☐ Loan or exchange program
- b ☐ Scholarly research e ☐ Other _____
- c ☐ Preservation for future generations
- 4 Provide a description of the organization's collections and explain how they further the organization's exempt purpose in Part XIII.
- 5 During the year, did the organization solicit or receive donations of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets to be sold to raise funds rather than to be maintained as part of the organization's collection? ☐ Yes ☐ No

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

- 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, for escrow or custodial account liability? ☐ Yes ☐ No
- b If 'Yes,' explain the arrangement in Part XIII. Check here if the explanation has been provided on Part XIII. ☐ Yes ☐ No

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

- | | (a) Current year | (b) Prior year | (c) Two years back | (d) Three years back | (e) Four years back |
|--|------------------|----------------|--------------------|----------------------|---------------------|
| 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 Term endowment %
- The percentages on 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' on line 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.

Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' on Form 990, Part IV, line 11a. See Form 990, Part X, line 10.

Description of property	(a) Cost or other basis (investment)	(b) Cost or other basis (other)	(c) Accumulated depreciation	(d) Book value
1 a Land				
b Buildings				
c Leasehold improvements				
d Equipment		1,181,407.	1,099,562.	81,845.
e Other				
Total. Add lines 1a through 1e. (Column (d) must equal Form 990, Part X, column (B), line 10c.)				81,845.

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Part VII Investments – Other Securities.

N/A

Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' on Form 990, Part IV, line 11b. See Form 990, Part X, line 12.

(a) Description of security or category (including name of security)	(b) Book value	(c) Method of valuation: Cost or end-of-year market value
(1) Financial derivatives.....		
(2) Closely held equity interests.....		
(3) Other		
(A) -----		
(B) -----		
(C) -----		
(D) -----		
(E) -----		
(F) -----		
(G) -----		
(H) -----		
(I) -----		
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, column (B) line 12.) ▶		

Part VIII Investments – Program Related.

N/A

Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' on Form 990, Part IV, line 11c. See Form 990, Part X, line 13.

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

Part IX Other Assets.

Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' on Form 990, Part IV, line 11d. See Form 990, Part X, line 15.

(a) Description	(b) Book value
(1) DEPOSITS	46,059.
(2) RIGHT OF USE-PREMISES	1,882,365.
(3)	
(4)	
(5)	
(6)	
(7)	
(8)	
(9)	
(10)	
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, column (B) line 15.) ▶	1,928,424.

Part X Other Liabilities.

Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' on Form 990, Part IV, line 11e or 11f. See Form 990, Part X, line 25.

1. (a) Description of liability	(b) Book value
(1) Federal income taxes	
(2) ACCRUED VACATION	272,089.
(3) LEASE PAYABLE	2,031,009.
(4) OTHER PAYROLL LIABILITIES	16,395.
(5) SECURITY DEPOSIT LIABILITY	1,800.
(6)	
(7)	
(8)	
(9)	
(10)	
(11)	
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, column (B) line 25.) ▶	2,321,293.

2. Liability for uncertain tax positions. In Part XIII, provide the text of the footnote to the organization's financial statements that reports the organization's liability for uncertain tax positions under FASB ASC 740. Check here if the text of the footnote has been provided in Part XIII. **SEE PART XIII** ☒

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

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

1	Total revenue, gains, and other support per audited financial statements	1	9,521,306.
2	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12:		
a	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	2a	
b	Donated services and use of facilities	2b	
c	Recoveries of prior year grants	2c	
d	Other (Describe in Part XIII.) SEE PART XIII	2d	136,187.
e	Add lines 2a through 2d	2e	136,187.
3	Subtract line 2e from line 1	3	9,385,119.
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	9,385,119.

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

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

1	Total expenses and losses per audited financial statements	1	10,825,471.
2	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part IX, line 25:		
a	Donated services and use of facilities	2a	
b	Prior year adjustments	2b	
c	Other losses	2c	
d	Other (Describe in Part XIII.) SEE PART XIII	2d	73,616.
e	Add lines 2a through 2d	2e	73,616.
3	Subtract line 2e from line 1	3	10,751,855.
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	10,751,855.

Part XIII Supplemental Information.

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

PART X - FASB ASC 740 FOOTNOTE

INCOME TAXES

FINANCIAL STATEMENT PRESENTATION FOLLOWS THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF ASC 740, INCOME TAXES. UNDER ASC 740, CIR IS REQUIRED TO REPORT INFORMATION REGARDING ITS EXPOSURE TO VARIOUS TAX POSITIONS TAKEN BY CIR AND REQUIRES A TWO-STEP PROCESS THAT SEPARATES RECOGNITION FROM MEASUREMENT. THE FIRST STEP IS DETERMINING WHETHER A TAX POSITION HAS MET THE RECOGNITION THRESHOLD; THE SECOND STEP IS MEASURING A TAX POSITION THAT MEETS THE RECOGNITION THRESHOLD. MANAGEMENT BELIEVES THAT CIR HAS ADEQUATELY

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Schedule D (Form 990) 2019

Part XIII Supplemental Information (continued)**PART X - FASB ASC 740 FOOTNOTE (CONTINUED)**

EVALUATED ITS CURRENT TAX POSITIONS AND HAS CONCLUDED THAT AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2019 CIR DOES NOT HAVE ANY UNCERTAIN TAX POSITIONS FOR WHICH A RESERVE OR AN ACCRUAL FOR A TAX LIABILITY WOULD BE NECESSARY.

CIR HAS RECEIVED NOTIFICATION FROM THE INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE AND THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA THAT IT QUALIFIES FOR TAX-EXEMPT STATUS UNDER SECTION 501(C)(3) OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE AND SECTION 23701D OF THE CALIFORNIA REVENUE AND TAXATION CODE. THE EXEMPTIONS ARE SUBJECT TO PERIODIC REVIEW BY THE FEDERAL AND STATE TAXING AUTHORITIES AND MANAGEMENT IS CONFIDENT THAT CIR CONTINUES TO SATISFY ALL FEDERAL AND STATE STATUTES IN ORDER TO QUALIFY FOR CONTINUED TAX EXEMPTION STATUS.

CIR MAY PERIODICALLY RECEIVE UNRELATED BUSINESS INCOME (SUCH AS SUBLEASE RENTAL INCOME, ADVERTISING INCOME, ETC.) REQUIRING CIR TO FILE SEPARATE TAX RETURNS UNDER FEDERAL AND STATE STATUTES. CIR ALSO HAS CERTAIN TRANSACTIONS REQUIRING THE PAYMENT OF VALUE ADDED TAXES. UNDER SUCH CONDITIONS, CIR CALCULATES AND ACCRUES THE APPLICABLE TAXES.

SCHEDULE D, PART XI, LINE 2D
OTHER REVENUE INCLUDED IN F/S BUT NOT INCLUDED ON FORM 990

990-T RENTAL EXPENSES.....	\$	73,616.
CHANGE IN DISCOUNT FOR MULTI-YEAR RCVBLS.....		62,571.
	TOTAL	<u>\$ 136,187.</u>

SCHEDULE D, PART XII, LINE 2D
OTHER EXPENSES AND LOSSES PER AUDITED F/S

990-T RENTAL EXPENSES.....	\$	73,616.
	TOTAL	<u>\$ 73,616.</u>

SCHEDULE J
(Form 990)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Compensation Information

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

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

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Name of the organization

THE CENTER FOR INVESTIGATIVE REPORTING,
INC.

Employer identification number

94-2434026

Part I Questions Regarding Compensation

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

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

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

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

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

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

PART III

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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Schedule J (Form 990) 2019

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

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

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

(A) Name and Title		(B) Breakdown of W-2 and/or 1099-MISC compensation			(C) Retirement and other deferred compensation	(D) Nontaxable benefits	(E) Total of columns (B)(i)-(D)	(F) Compensation in column (B) reported as deferred on prior Form 990
		(i) Base compensation	(ii) Bonus & incentive compensation	(iii) Other reportable compensation				
1	CHRISTA SCHARFENBERG CEO	(i) 295,000.	(ii) 0.	(iii) 0.	5,900.	16,412.	317,312.	0.
		(ii) 0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.
2	ANNIE CHABEL COO	(i) 173,333.	(ii) 0.	(iii) 0.	3,350.	6,765.	183,448.	0.
		(ii) 0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.
3	KEVIN SULLIVAN EXECUTIVE PRODUCER	(i) 200,000.	(ii) 0.	(iii) 0.	5,500.	17,246.	222,746.	0.
		(ii) 0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.
4	MATTHEW THOMPSON EDITOR IN CHIEF	(i) 187,500.	(ii) 0.	(iii) 0.	0.	12,549.	200,049.	0.
		(ii) 0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.
5	ALFRED LETSON RADIO SHOW HOST	(i) 180,625.	(ii) 0.	(iii) 0.	0.	18,740.	199,365.	0.
		(ii) 0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.
6	AMANDA PIKE DIR OF TV & DOC'S	(i) 170,000.	(ii) 0.	(iii) 0.	0.	23,338.	193,338.	0.
		(ii) 0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.
7	DIANA BARANETSKY GENERAL COUNSEL	(i) 177,500.	(ii) 0.	(iii) 0.	5,325.	8,359.	191,184.	0.
		(ii) 0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.
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)						

Part III Supplemental Information

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

PART I, LINE 3 - METHODS USED BY RELATED ORG. TO ESTABLISH CEO/EXEC. DIR. COMPENSATION

PERFORMANCE REVIEWS OF THE ORGANIZATION'S CEO AND EXECUTIVE CHAIRMAN ARE CONDUCTED ANNUALLY BY A SUBCOMMITTEE OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS. AS PART OF THE REVIEW, COMPENSATION OF THE CEO IS CONSIDERED. THE SUBCOMMITTEE CONDUCTS A COMPARABILITY SURVEY USING PUBLICLY AVAILABLE SALARY SURVEYS AND BY CONSULTING WITH COMPARABLE ORGANIZATIONS ON THEIR COMPENSATION PACKAGES. A RECOMMENDATION FOR ANY CHANGE IN COMPENSATION IS THEN MADE TO THE FULL BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND REQUIRES MAJORITY APPROVAL.

**SCHEDULE M
(Form 990)**

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Noncash Contributions

- ▶ **Complete if the organizations answered 'Yes' on Form 990, Part IV, lines 29 or 30.**
- ▶ **Attach to Form 990.**
- ▶ **Go to www.irs.gov/Form990 for instructions and the latest information.**

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THE CENTER FOR INVESTIGATIVE REPORTING,
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Employer identification number

94-2434026

Part I Types of Property

	(a) Check if applicable	(b) Number of contributions or items contributed	(c) Noncash contribution amounts reported on Form 990, Part VIII, line 1g	(d) Method of determining noncash contribution amounts
1 Art — Works of art				
2 Art — Historical treasures				
3 Art — Fractional interests				
4 Books and publications				
5 Clothing and household goods				
6 Cars and other vehicles				
7 Boats and planes				
8 Intellectual property				
9 Securities — Publicly traded	X	4	74,408.	FMV
10 Securities — Closely held stock				
11 Securities — Partnership, LLC, or trust interests ..				
12 Securities — Miscellaneous				
13 Qualified conservation contribution — Historic structures				
14 Qualified conservation contribution — Other				
15 Real estate — Residential				
16 Real estate — Commercial				
17 Real estate — Other				
18 Collectibles				
19 Food inventory				
20 Drugs and medical supplies				
21 Taxidermy				
22 Historical artifacts				
23 Scientific specimens				
24 Archeological artifacts				
25 Other ▶ (.....) ..				
26 Other ▶ (.....) ..				
27 Other ▶ (.....) ..				
28 Other ▶ (.....) ..				

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

29

30a During the year, did the organization receive by contribution any property reported in Part I, lines 1 through 28, that it must hold for at least three years from the date of the initial contribution, and which isn't required to be used for exempt purposes for the entire holding period?

b If 'Yes,' describe the arrangement in Part II.

31 Does the organization have a gift acceptance policy that requires the review of any nonstandard contributions?

32a Does the organization hire or use third parties or related organizations to solicit, process, or sell noncash contributions?

b If 'Yes,' describe in Part II.

33 If the organization didn't report an amount in column (c) for a type of property for which column (a) is checked, describe in Part II.

	Yes	No
30a		X
31		X
32a		X
33		

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Schedule M (Form 990) 2019

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

SCHEDULE O
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Name of the organization

Supplemental Information to Form 990 or 990-EZ

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

► Attach to Form 990 or 990-EZ.

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FORM 990, PART VI, LINE 1A - EXPLANATION OF MATERIAL DIFFERENCES OF VOTING RIGHTS

THE BOARD DELEGATES CERTAIN LIMITED MATTERS TO THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, WHICH IS EMPOWERED TO ACT BETWEEN BOARD MEETINGS IF NECESSARY. IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE CALIFORNIA NONPROFIT INTEGRITY ACT, THE AUDIT COMMITTEE IS EMPOWERED TO REVIEW THE ANNUAL AUDIT AND TO VOTE ON ITS ACCEPTANCE. OTHER COMMITTEES OF THE BOARD DO NOT HAVE AUTHORITY TO ACT ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD. THEY ARE ADVISORY COMMITTEES THAT MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE FULL BOARD.

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

FORM 990 IS PREPARED BY AN OUTSIDE TAX PROFESSIONAL. THE FORM IS THEN REVIEWED BY THE ORGANIZATION'S MANAGEMENT WHICH INCLUDES THE EXECUTIVE CHAIR AND THE CEO. THE CONTENTS OF THE RETURN ARE DISCUSSED WITH THE OUTSIDE TAX PROFESSIONAL. AFTER A FULL REVIEW, THE FINAL VERSION OF THE TAX RETURN IS PROVIDED TO ALL MEMBERS OF THE ORGANIZATION'S VOTING BODY. A REPRESENTATIVE OF MANAGEMENT AUTHORIZES THE FINAL FORM 990 WHICH IS THEN E-FILED WITH THE INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE.

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

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS REVIEW ALL POTENTIAL CONFLICTS OF INTEREST AT LEAST ANNUALLY. ALL PERSONNEL AND BOARD MEMBERS ARE REQUIRED TO DISCLOSE (IN WRITING) POTENTIAL CONFLICTS AND ANY RELATED PARTY AFFILIATIONS. LOANS BETWEEN THE ORGANIZATION AND MEMBERS OF MANAGEMENT AND THE BOARD ARE STRICTLY PROHIBITED. THE ORGANIZATION SEEKS FULL TRANSPARENCY ON ALL RELATIONSHIPS. ANY POTENTIAL CONFLICTS (IN FACT OR APPEARANCE) ARE DISCUSSED OPENLY AND RESOLVED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE ORGANIZATION'S POLICIES AND PROCEDURES.

FORM 990, PART VI, LINE 15A - COMPENSATION REVIEW & APPROVAL PROCESS - CEO & TOP MANAGEMENT

PERFORMANCE REVIEWS OF THE ORGANIZATION'S CEO AND EXECUTIVE CHAIRMAN ARE CONDUCTED ANNUALLY BY A SUBCOMMITTEE OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS. AS PART OF THE REVIEW,

COMPENSATION OF THE CEO IS CONSIDERED. THE SUBCOMMITTEE CONDUCTS A COMPARABILITY

Name of the organization **THE CENTER FOR INVESTIGATIVE REPORTING,
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FORM 990, PART VI, LINE 15A - COMPENSATION REVIEW & APPROVAL PROCESS - CEO & TOP MANAGEMENT (CONTINUED)

SURVEY USING PUBLICLY AVAILABLE SALARY SURVEYS AND BY CONSULTING WITH COMPARABLE ORGANIZATIONS ON THEIR COMPENSATION PACKAGES. A RECOMMENDATION FOR ANY CHANGE IN COMPENSATION IS THEN MADE TO THE FULL BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND REQUIRES MAJORITY APPROVAL.

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

THE COMPENSATION OF OTHER KEY EMPLOYEES IS DETERMINED BY THE ORGANIZATION'S CEO AND EXECUTIVE CHAIR IN CONSULTATION WITH OTHER SENIOR MANAGEMENT WHEN APPROPRIATE, AND IS BASED ON INDUSTRY SALARY SURVEYS, EQUITABLE PAY SCALE WITHIN THE ORGANIZATION, AND INDIVIDUAL EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE AS ASSESSED IN ANNUAL REVIEWS.

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

ALL OF THE ORGANIZATION'S GOVERNING DOCUMENTS, FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND OTHER LEGAL FILINGS ARE MAINTAINED IN A SECURE ENVIRONMENT AND HELD AVAILABLE FOR INSPECTION FOR TAX AUTHORITIES AND THE GENERAL PUBLIC (WHEN NECESSARY). TAX RETURNS ARE POSTED ANNUALLY ON THE ORGANIZATION'S OWN WEBSITE, ON WWW.GUIDESTAR.ORG (WHERE THEY ARE AVAILABLE FOR VIEWING), AND MADE AVAILABLE FOR A PHYSICAL INSPECTION AT THE ORGANIZATION'S OFFICE IN EMERYVILLE, CALIFORNIA.

**FORM 990, PART XI, LINE 9
OTHER CHANGES IN NET ASSETS OR FUND BALANCES**

CHANGE IN DISCOUNT FOR MULTI-YEAR RCVBLS.....	\$	62,571.
TOTAL	\$	<u>62,571.</u>

SCHEDULE R
(Form 990)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Name of the organization

Related Organizations and Unrelated Partnerships

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

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

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

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

(a) Name, address, and EIN of related organization	(b) Primary activity	(c) Legal domicile (state or foreign country)	(d) Exempt Code section	(e) Public charity status (if section 501(c)(3))	(f) Direct controlling entity	(g) Sec 512(b)(13) controlled entity?	
						Yes	No
(1) _____ _____ _____							
(2) _____ _____ _____							
(3) _____ _____ _____							
(4) _____ _____ _____							

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

(a) Name, address, and EIN of related organization	(b) Primary activity	(c) Legal domicile (state or foreign country)	(d) Direct controlling entity	(e) Predominant income (related, unrelated, excluded from tax under sections 512-514)	(f) Share of total income	(g) Share of end-of-year assets	(h) Dispropor- tionate allocations?		(i) Code V-UBI amount in box 20 of Schedule K-1 (Form 1065)	(j) General or managing partner?		(k) Percentage ownership
							Yes	No		Yes	No	
SEE PART VII												
(1) THE GRAB, LLC 1400 65TH STREET EMERYVILLE, CA 9 30-1201509	ENTERTAIN- MENT	CA	CENTER FOR INV REP	N/A	N/A	N/A	N	A	N/A	N	A	100.00
(2)												
(3)												

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

(a) Name, address, and EIN of related organization	(b) Primary activity	(c) Legal domicile (state or foreign country)	(d) Direct controlling entity	(e) Type of entity (C corp, S corp, or trust)	(f) Share of total income	(g) Share of end-of- year assets	(h) Percentage ownership	(i) Sec 512(b)(13) controlled entity?	
								Yes	No
(1)									
(2)									
(3)									

Part V Transactions With Related Organizations. Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' on Form 990, Part IV, line 34, 35b, or 36.**Note:** Complete line 1 if any entity is listed in Parts II, III, or IV of this schedule.**1** During the tax year, did the organization engage in any of the following transactions with one or more related organizations listed in Parts II-IV?

	Yes	No
a Receipt of (i) interest, (ii) annuities, (iii) royalties, or (iv) rent from a controlled entity		X
b Gift, grant, or capital contribution to related organization(s)		X
c Gift, grant, or capital contribution from related organization(s)		X
d Loans or loan guarantees to or for related organization(s)		X
e Loans or loan guarantees by related organization(s)		X
f Dividends from related organization(s)		X
g Sale of assets to related organization(s)		X
h Purchase of assets from related organization(s)		X
i Exchange of assets with related organization(s)		X
j Lease of facilities, equipment, or other assets to related organization(s)		X
k Lease of facilities, equipment, or other assets from related organization(s)		X
l Performance of services or membership or fundraising solicitations for related organization(s)		X
m Performance of services or membership or fundraising solicitations by related organization(s)		X
n Sharing of facilities, equipment, mailing lists, or other assets with related organization(s)	X	
o Sharing of paid employees with related organization(s)	X	
p Reimbursement paid to related organization(s) for expenses		X
q Reimbursement paid by related organization(s) for expenses		X
r Other transfer of cash or property to related organization(s)	X	
s Other transfer of cash or property from related organization(s)		X

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

(a) Name of related organization	(b) Transaction type (a-s)	(c) Amount involved	(d) Method of determining amount involved
(1) THE GRAB, LLC	R	100,000	ACCRUAL
(2)			
(3)			
(4)			
(5)			
(6)			

Part VI **Unrelated Organizations Taxable as a Partnership.** Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' on Form 990, Part IV, line 37.

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

(a) Name, address, and EIN of entity	(b) Primary activity	(c) Legal domicile (state or foreign country)	(d) Predominant income (related, unre- lated, excluded from tax under sections 512-514)	(e) Are all partners section 501(c)(3) organizations?		(f) Share of total income	(g) Share of end-of-year assets	(h) Dispropor- tionate allocations?		(i) Code V-UBI amount in box 20 of Schedule K-1 (Form 1065)	(j) General or managing partner?		(k) Percentage ownership
				Yes	No			Yes	No		Yes	No	
(1) ----- ----- -----													
(2) ----- ----- -----													
(3) ----- ----- -----													
(4) ----- ----- -----													
(5) ----- ----- -----													
(6) ----- ----- -----													
(7) ----- ----- -----													
(8) ----- ----- -----													

Part VII Supplemental Information

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

PART III - PARTNERSHIP FULL NAME, ADDRESS, FEIN

THE GRAB, LLC 30-1201509 1400 65TH STREET, SUITE 200 EMERYVILLE, CA
94608

Form **8879-EO****IRS e-file Signature Authorization
for an Exempt Organization**

OMB No. 1545-1878

For calendar year 2019, or fiscal year beginning _____, 2019, and ending _____, 20____

► **Do not send to the IRS. Keep for your records.**
 ► **Go to www.irs.gov/Form8879EO for the latest information.**

2019Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Name of exempt organization

**THE CENTER FOR INVESTIGATIVE REPORTING,
INC.**

Employer identification number

94-2434026

Name and title of officer

CHRISTA SCHARFENBERG**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 one 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>9,385,119.</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, line 3c)	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 2019 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 REGALIA & ASSOCIATES, CPAS to enter my PIN 20131 as my signature
ERO firm name Enter five numbers, but do not enter all zeros

on the organization's tax year 2019 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 2019 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.

68620568504**Do not enter all zeros**

I certify that the above numeric entry is my PIN, which is my signature on the 2019 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 ► DOUGLAS W. REGALIA

Date ► _____

ERO Must Retain This Form – See Instructions
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RENTAL INCOME WORKSHEET
FORM 990

SUBLEASE OFFICE SPACE

GROSS RENTAL INCOME.....	\$	73,075.
EXPENSES		
DEPRECIATION.....		4,320.
INSURANCE.....		14,687.
UTILITIES.....		891.
WAGES AND SALARIES.....		16,301.
OCCUPANCY.....		37,417.
TOTAL EXPENSES.....	\$	73,616.

NET RENTAL INCOME OR LOSS \$ -541.

FORM 990, PART III, LINE 4E
PROGRAM SERVICES TOTALS

	PROGRAM SERVICES TOTAL	FORM 990	SOURCE
TOTAL EXPENSES	8,338,647.	8,338,647.	PART IX, LINE 25, COL. B
GRANTS	0.	0.	PART IX, LINES 1-3, COL. B
REVENUE	438,469.	377,213.	PART VIII, LINE 2, COL. A

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

	(A) TOTAL	(B) PROGRAM SERVICES	(C) MANAGEMENT & GENERAL	(D) FUND- RAISING
CONTRACTORS	424,998.	381,060.	27,438.	16,500.
TOTAL	\$ 424,998.	\$ 381,060.	\$ 27,438.	\$ 16,500.

FORM 990, PART IX, LINE 24E
OTHER EXPENSES

	(A) TOTAL	(B) PROGRAM SERVICES	(C) MANAGEMENT & GENERAL	(D) FUNDRAISING
BAD DEBT EXPENSE	11,620.		11,620.	
COMPUTER RELATED EXPENSES	20,428.	10,010.	9,188.	1,230.
EVENT PLANNING AND EXPENSES	21,566.	1,329.		20,237.
POSTAGE AND SHIPPING	7,529.	206.	3,994.	3,329.
X-LESS: 990-T EXPENSE	-73,616.		-73,616.	
TOTAL	\$ -12,473.	\$ 11,545.	\$ -48,814.	\$ 24,796.