

Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

2015

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Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service

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

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A For the 2015 calendar year, or tax year beginning, 2015, and ending, 20

Form header section containing B (Check if applicable), C (Name of organization: A BETTER CHICAGO), D (Employer identification number: 27-4499625), E (Telephone number: (312) 674-7066), F (Name and address of principal officer: WILLIAM V. KREHBIEL), G (Gross receipts \$: 9,834,016), H(a) (Is this a group return for subordinates?), H(b) (Are all subordinates included?), I (Tax-exempt status: 501(c)(3)), J (Website: ABETTERCHICAGO.ORG), K (Form of organization: Corporation), L (Year of formation: 2011), M (State of legal domicile: IL)

Part I Summary

Table with 3 main sections: 1. Activities & Governance (lines 1-7b), 2. Revenue (lines 8-12), 3. Expenses (lines 13-19), 4. Net Assets or Fund Balances (lines 20-22). Includes columns for Prior Year and Current Year.

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.

Signature block section containing Sign Here (Signature of officer, Date, Type or print name and title) and Paid Preparer Use Only (Print/Type preparer's name: KEVIN HODGES, Preparer's signature, Date, Check self-employed, PTIN: P00742715, Firm's name: MILLER, COOPER & CO., LTD., Firm's EIN: 36-2897372, Firm's address: 1751 LAKE COOK ROAD, SUITE 400 DEERFIELD, IL 60015, Phone no.: 847-205-5000)

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

For Paperwork Reduction Act Notice, see the separate instructions.

Part III Statement of Program Service Accomplishments

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

1 Briefly describe the organization's mission:

ATTACHMENT 1

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: 611600) (Expenses \$ 2,599,856. including grants of \$ 2,095,491.) (Revenue \$)

IN LINE WITH THE ORGANIZATION'S MISSION AND VALUES, A BETTER CHICAGO PROVIDED FINANCIAL GRANTS TO ORGANIZATIONS THAT ARE EQUIPPING PEOPLE WITH EDUCATION, SKILLS AND CREDENTIALS TO EMPOWER THEM TO REACH THEIR POTENTIAL.

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

4c (Code:) (Expenses \$ including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)

4d Other program services (Describe in Schedule O.)
(Expenses \$ including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)

4e Total program service expenses ▶ 2,599,856.

Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules

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

Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules *(continued)*

		Yes	No
20a	Did the organization operate one or more hospital facilities? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule H.</i>		X
b	If "Yes" to line 20a, did the organization attach a copy of its audited financial statements to this return?		
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>	X	
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>		X
23	Did the organization answer "Yes" to Part VII, Section A, line 3, 4, or 5 about compensation of the organization's current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, and highest compensated employees? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J.</i>		X
24a	Did the organization have a tax-exempt bond issue with an outstanding principal amount of more than \$100,000 as of the last day of the year, 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>		X
b	Did the organization invest any proceeds of tax-exempt bonds beyond a temporary period exception?		
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?		
d	Did the organization act as an "on behalf of" issuer for bonds outstanding at any time during the year?		
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>		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>		X
26	Did the organization report any amount on Part X, line 5, 6, or 22 for receivables from or payables to any current or former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, highest compensated employees, or disqualified persons? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part II.</i>		X
27	Did the organization provide a grant or other assistance to an officer, director, trustee, key employee, substantial contributor or employee thereof, a grant selection committee member, or to a 35% controlled entity or family member of any of these persons? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part III.</i>		X
28	Was the organization a party to a business transaction with one of the following parties (see Schedule L, Part IV instructions for applicable filing thresholds, conditions, and exceptions):		
a	A current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV.</i>		X
b	A family member of a current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV.</i>		X
c	An entity of which a current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee (or a family member thereof) was an officer, director, trustee, or direct or indirect owner? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV.</i>		X
29	Did the organization receive more than \$25,000 in non-cash contributions? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule M.</i>	X	
30	Did the organization receive contributions of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets, or qualified conservation contributions? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule M.</i>		X
31	Did the organization liquidate, terminate, or dissolve and cease operations? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part I.</i>		X
32	Did the organization sell, exchange, dispose of, or transfer more than 25% of its net assets? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part II.</i>		X
33	Did the organization own 100% of an entity disregarded as separate from the organization under Regulations sections 301.7701-2 and 301.7701-3? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part I.</i>		X
34	Was the organization related to any tax-exempt or taxable entity? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part II, III, or IV, and Part V, line 1.</i>		X
35a	Did the organization have a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)?		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>		
36	Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2.</i>		X
37	Did the organization conduct more than 5% of its activities through an entity that is not a related organization and that is treated as a partnership for federal income tax purposes? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part VI.</i>		X
38	Did the organization complete Schedule O and provide explanations in Schedule O for Part VI, lines 11b and 19? Note. All Form 990 filers are required to complete Schedule O.	X	

Part V Statements Regarding Other IRS Filings and Tax Compliance

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

Table with columns for line numbers (1a-14b), descriptions of questions, and Yes/No response columns. Includes sub-questions for backup withholding, employee reporting, foreign accounts, prohibited transactions, and charitable contributions.

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

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part VI [X]

Section A. Governing Body and Management

Table with 3 columns: Question, Yes, No. Rows include 1a (14), 1b (14), 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7a, 7b, 8a, 8b, 9.

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

Table with 3 columns: Question, Yes, No. Rows include 10a, 10b, 11a, 11b, 12a, 12b, 12c, 13, 14, 15a, 15b, 16a, 16b.

Section C. Disclosure

- 17 List the states with which a copy of this Form 990 is required to be filed IL,
18 Section 6104 requires an organization to make its Forms 1023 (or 1024 if applicable), 990, and 990-T (Section 501(c)(3)s only) available for public inspection. Indicate how you made these available. Check all that apply.
19 Describe in Schedule O whether (and if so, how) the organization made its governing documents, conflict of interest policy, and financial statements available to the public during the tax year.
20 State the name, address, and telephone number of the person who possesses the organization's books and records: WILLIAM V KREHBIEL 600 W. VAN BUREN, SUITE 510 CHICAGO, IL 60607 (312)674-7066

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

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

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

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

- List all of the organization's **current** officers, directors, trustees (whether individuals or organizations), regardless of amount of compensation. Enter -0- in columns (D), (E), and (F) if no compensation was paid.
- List all of the organization's **current** key employees, if any. See instructions for definition of "key employee."
- List the organization's five **current** highest compensated employees (other than an officer, director, trustee, or key employee) who received reportable compensation (Box 5 of Form W-2 and/or Box 7 of Form 1099-MISC) of more than \$100,000 from the organization and any related organizations.
- List all of the organization's **former** officers, key employees, and highest compensated employees who received more than \$100,000 of reportable compensation from the organization and any related organizations.
- List all of the organization's **former directors or trustees** that received, in the capacity as a former director or trustee of the organization, more than \$10,000 of reportable compensation from the organization and any related organizations.

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

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

(A) Name and Title	(B) Average hours per week (list any hours for related organizations below dotted line)	(C) Position (do not check more than one box, unless person is both an officer and a director/trustee)						(D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W-2/1099-MISC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W-2/1099-MISC)	(F) Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations
		Individual trustee or director	Institutional trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former			
(1) WILLIAM V. KREHBIEL CEO AND DIRECTOR	50.00	X					0.	0.	4,957.	
(2) TRISHA ROONEY DIRECTOR	1.00	X					0.	0.	0.	
(3) MICHAEL COLLINS DIRECTOR	1.00	X					0.	0.	0.	
(4) JACK KELLER CHAIRMAN	1.00	X					0.	0.	0.	
(5) TAYLOR O'MALLEY DIRECTOR	1.00	X					0.	0.	0.	
(6) BRENT RASMUSSEN DIRECTOR	1.00	X					0.	0.	0.	
(7) SHERMAN WRIGHT DIRECTOR	1.00	X					0.	0.	0.	
(8) WILLIAM CONWAY DIRECTOR	1.00	X					0.	0.	0.	
(9) SEAN BERKOWITZ DIRECTOR	1.00	X					0.	0.	0.	
(10) TIMOTHY SCHWERTFEGER DIRECTOR	1.00	X					0.	0.	0.	
(11) STEPHEN BEARD DIRECTOR	1.00	X					0.	0.	0.	
(12) THOMAS ELDEN DIRECTOR	1.00	X					0.	0.	0.	
(13) BECKY ELRAD DIRECTOR	1.00	X					0.	0.	0.	
(14) CHRISTOPHER KEOGH DIRECTOR	1.00	X					0.	0.	0.	

Part VIII Statement of Revenue

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

				(A) Total revenue	(B) Related or exempt function revenue	(C) Unrelated business revenue	(D) Revenue excluded from tax under sections 512-514
Contributions, Gifts, Grants and Other Similar Amounts	1a Federated campaigns	1a					
	b Membership dues	1b					
	c Fundraising events	1c	1,631,574.				
	d Related organizations	1d					
	e Government grants (contributions) . .	1e					
	f All other contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts not included above .	1f	7,564,810.				
	g Noncash contributions included in lines 1a-1f: \$		506,453.				
	h Total. Add lines 1a-1f			9,196,384.			
Program Service Revenue	2a _____	Business Code					
	b _____						
	c _____						
	d _____						
	e _____						
	f All other program service revenue						
	g Total. Add lines 2a-2f			0.			
Other Revenue	3 Investment income (including dividends, interest, and other similar amounts). ATTACHMENT 2			331.			331.
	4 Income from investment of tax-exempt bond proceeds			0.			
	5 Royalties			0.			
	6a Gross rents	(i) Real	(ii) Personal				
	b Less: rental expenses						
	c Rental income or (loss)						
	d Net rental income or (loss)			0.			
	7a Gross amount from sales of assets other than inventory	(i) Securities	(ii) Other				
	b Less: cost or other basis and sales expenses						
	c Gain or (loss)						
	d Net gain or (loss)			5,186.			5,186.
	8a Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ 1,631,574. of contributions reported on line 1c). See Part IV, line 18	ATCH 3					
	b Less: direct expenses	ATCH 4					
	c Net income or (loss) from fundraising events			-247,342.			-247,342.
9a Gross income from gaming activities. See Part IV, line 19							
b Less: direct expenses							
c Net income or (loss) from gaming activities			0.				
10a Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances							
b Less: cost of goods sold							
c Net income or (loss) from sales of inventory			0.				
Miscellaneous Revenue							
11a _____	Business Code						
b _____							
c _____							
d All other revenue							
e Total. Add lines 11a-11d			0.				
12 Total revenue. See instructions.			8,954,559.			-241,825.	

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	2,095,491.	2,095,491.		
2 Grants and other assistance to domestic individuals. See Part IV, line 22	0.			
3 Grants and other assistance to foreign organizations, foreign governments, and foreign individuals. See Part IV, lines 15 and 16	0.			
4 Benefits paid to or for members	0.			
5 Compensation of current officers, directors, trustees, and key employees	214,953.	214,953.		
6 Compensation not included above, to disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)) and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B)	0.			
7 Other salaries and wages	316,458.	95,231.	82,013.	139,214.
8 Pension plan accruals and contributions (include section 401(k) and 403(b) employer contributions)	0.			
9 Other employee benefits	30,278.	18,326.	3,984.	7,968.
10 Payroll taxes	50,471.	29,460.	7,789.	13,222.
11 Fees for services (non-employees):				
a Management	0.			
b Legal	0.			
c Accounting	0.			
d Lobbying	0.			
e Professional fundraising services. See Part IV, line 17.	0.			
f Investment management fees	0.			
g Other. (If line 11g amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A) amount, list line 11g expenses on Schedule O.)	117,036.	10,765.	86,501.	19,770.
12 Advertising and promotion	71,880.	30,392.		41,488.
13 Office expenses	0.			
14 Information technology	0.			
15 Royalties	0.			
16 Occupancy	70,972.	42,957.	9,338.	18,677.
17 Travel	23,037.	7,679.	7,679.	7,679.
18 Payments of travel or entertainment expenses for any federal, state, or local public officials	0.			
19 Conferences, conventions, and meetings	0.			
20 Interest	0.			
21 Payments to affiliates	0.			
22 Depreciation, depletion, and amortization	36,616.	22,162.	4,818.	9,636.
23 Insurance	2,525.		2,525.	
24 Other expenses. Itemize expenses not covered above (List miscellaneous expenses in line 24e. If line 24e amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A) amount, list line 24e expenses on Schedule O.)				
a <u>DUES & SUBSCRIPTIONS</u>	2,541.	847.	847.	847.
b <u>SOFTWARE</u>	31,753.	19,219.	4,178.	8,356.
c <u>PRINTING & COPYING</u>	7,668.	2,556.	2,556.	2,556.
d <u>SUPPLIES</u>	9,204.	5,571.	1,211.	2,422.
e All other expenses	20,211.	4,247.	1,822.	14,142.
25 Total functional expenses. Add lines 1 through 24e	3,101,094.	2,599,856.	215,261.	285,977.
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)	0.			

Part X Balance Sheet

Check 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	1,449,631.	1	1,356,018.
	2 Savings and temporary cash investments	1,780,115.	2	2,826,315.
	3 Pledges and grants receivable, net	177,581.	3	4,771,098.
	4 Accounts receivable, net	0.	4	0.
	5 Loans and other receivables from current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, and highest compensated employees. Complete Part II of Schedule L	0.	5	0.
	6 Loans and other receivables from other disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)), persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B), and contributing employers and sponsoring organizations of section 501(c)(9) voluntary employees' beneficiary organizations (see instructions). Complete Part II of Schedule L	0.	6	0.
	7 Notes and loans receivable, net	0.	7	0.
	8 Inventories for sale or use	0.	8	0.
	9 Prepaid expenses and deferred charges ATCH. 5	32,739.	9	34,838.
	10a Land, buildings, and equipment: cost or other basis. Complete Part VI of Schedule D	10a 63,942.		
	b Less: accumulated depreciation	10b 14,245.		
		26,348.	10c	49,697.
	11 Investments - publicly traded securities	0.	11	0.
	12 Investments - other securities. See Part IV, line 11	0.	12	0.
	13 Investments - program-related. See Part IV, line 11	0.	13	0.
	14 Intangible assets	3,970.	14	84,506.
15 Other assets. See Part IV, line 11	0.	15	0.	
16 Total assets. Add lines 1 through 15 (must equal line 34)	3,470,384.	16	9,122,472.	
Liabilities	17 Accounts payable and accrued expenses	68,745.	17	92,416.
	18 Grants payable	760,000.	18	535,000.
	19 Deferred revenue	0.	19	0.
	20 Tax-exempt bond liabilities	0.	20	0.
	21 Escrow or custodial account liability. Complete Part IV of Schedule D	0.	21	0.
	22 Loans and other payables to current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, highest compensated employees, and disqualified persons. Complete Part II of Schedule L	0.	22	0.
	23 Secured mortgages and notes payable to unrelated third parties	0.	23	0.
	24 Unsecured notes and loans payable to unrelated third parties	0.	24	0.
	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	0.	25	0.
	26 Total liabilities. Add lines 17 through 25	828,745.	26	627,416.
Net Assets or Fund Balances	Organizations that follow SFAS 117 (ASC 958), check here <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 27 through 29, and lines 33 and 34.			
	27 Unrestricted net assets	2,641,639.	27	3,873,953.
	28 Temporarily restricted net assets	0.	28	4,621,103.
	29 Permanently restricted net assets	0.	29	0.
	Organizations that do not follow SFAS 117 (ASC 958), check here <input type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 30 through 34.			
	30 Capital stock or trust principal, or current funds		30	
	31 Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, building, or equipment fund		31	
	32 Retained earnings, endowment, accumulated income, or other funds		32	
	33 Total net assets or fund balances	2,641,639.	33	8,495,056.
34 Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances	3,470,384.	34	9,122,472.	

Part XI Reconciliation of Net Assets

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

1	Total revenue (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	1	8,954,559.
2	Total expenses (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	2	3,101,094.
3	Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 2 from line 1	3	5,853,465.
4	Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (must equal Part X, line 33, column (A))	4	2,641,639.
5	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	5	-48.
6	Donated services and use of facilities	6	0.
7	Investment expenses	7	0.
8	Prior period adjustments	8	0.
9	Other changes in net assets or fund balances (explain in Schedule O)	9	0.
10	Net assets or fund balances at end of year. Combine lines 3 through 9 (must equal Part X, line 33, column (B))	10	8,495,056.

Part XII Financial Statements and Reporting

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

- 1** Accounting method used to prepare the Form 990: Cash Accrual Other _____
If the organization changed its method of accounting from a prior year or checked "Other," explain in Schedule O.
- 2a** Were the organization's financial statements compiled or reviewed by an independent accountant?
If "Yes," check a box below to indicate whether the financial statements for the year were compiled or reviewed on a separate basis, consolidated basis, or both:
 Separate basis Consolidated basis Both consolidated and separate basis
- b** Were the organization's financial statements audited by an independent accountant?
If "Yes," check a box below to indicate whether the financial statements for the year were audited on a separate basis, consolidated basis, or both:
 Separate basis Consolidated basis Both consolidated and separate basis
- c** If "Yes" to line 2a or 2b, does the organization have a committee that assumes responsibility for oversight of the audit, review, or compilation of its financial statements and selection of an independent accountant? If the organization changed either its oversight process or selection process during the tax year, explain in Schedule O.
- 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?
- b** If "Yes," did the organization undergo the required audit or audits? If the organization did not undergo the required audit or audits, explain why in Schedule O and describe any steps taken to undergo such audits.

	Yes	No
2a		X
2b	X	
2c	X	
3a		X
3b		

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.

▶ Information about Schedule A (Form 990 or 990-EZ) and its instructions is at www.irs.gov/form990.

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Name of the organization

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Employer identification number

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

The organization is not a private foundation because it is: (For lines 1 through 11, check only one box.)

- 1 A church, convention of churches, or association of churches described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(i)**.
- 2 A school described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)**. (Attach Schedule E (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 organization that normally receives: (1) more than 33 1/3% of its support from contributions, membership fees, and gross receipts from activities related to its exempt functions - subject to certain exceptions, and (2) no more than 33 1/3% of its support from gross investment income and unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 tax) from businesses acquired by the organization after June 30, 1975. See **section 509(a)(2)**. (Complete Part III.)
- 10 An organization organized and operated exclusively to test for public safety. See **section 509(a)(4)**.
- 11 An organization organized and operated exclusively for the benefit of, to perform the functions of, or 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 11a through 11d that describes the type of supporting organization and complete lines 11e, 11f, and 11g.
 - 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 1-9 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						

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Schedule A (Form 990 or 990-EZ) 2015

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) 2011	(b) 2012	(c) 2013	(d) 2014	(e) 2015	(f) Total
1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received. (Do not include any "unusual grants.")	1,120,019.	1,954,266.	3,092,539.	3,066,133.	9,196,384.	18,429,341.
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.	1,120,019.	1,954,266.	3,092,539.	3,066,133.	9,196,384.	18,429,341.
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).						3,882,056.
6 Public support. Subtract line 5 from line 4.						14,547,285.

Section B. Total Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ▶	(a) 2011	(b) 2012	(c) 2013	(d) 2014	(e) 2015	(f) Total
7 Amounts from line 4	1,120,019.	1,954,266.	3,092,539.	3,066,133.	9,196,384.	18,429,341.
8 Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources	58.	127.	205.	298.	331.	1,019.
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						18,430,360.
12 Gross receipts from related activities, etc. (see instructions)					12	566,200.
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 checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage

14 Public support percentage for 2015 (line 6, column (f) divided by line 11, column (f))	14	%
15 Public support percentage from 2014 Schedule A, Part II, line 14	15	%
16a 33 1/3% support test - 2015. 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 type="checkbox"/>
b 33 1/3% support test - 2014. 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 - 2015. 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 - 2014. 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 9 of Part I or if the organization failed to qualify under Part II.
 If the organization fails to qualify under the tests listed below, please complete Part II.)

Section A. Public Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ►	(a) 2011	(b) 2012	(c) 2013	(d) 2014	(e) 2015	(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) 2011	(b) 2012	(c) 2013	(d) 2014	(e) 2015	(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 2015 (line 8, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f))	15	%
16 Public support percentage from 2014 Schedule A, Part III, line 15	16	%

Section D. Computation of Investment Income Percentage

17 Investment income percentage for 2015 (line 10c, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f))	17	%
18 Investment income percentage from 2014 Schedule A, Part III, line 17	18	%

19a 33 1/3% support tests - 2015. 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 - 2014. 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 11 of Part I. If you checked 11a of Part I, complete Sections A and B. If you checked 11b of Part I, complete Sections A and C. If you checked 11c of Part I, complete Sections A, D, and E. If you checked 11d 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 11a or 11b 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 (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?	11 a	
b	A family member of a person described in (a) above?	11 b	
c	A 35% controlled entity of a person described in (a) or (b) above? <i>If "Yes" to a, b, or c, provide detail in Part VI.</i>	11 c	

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? <i>If "No," describe in Part VI how the supported organization(s) effectively operated, supervised, or controlled the organization's activities. If the organization had more than one supported organization, describe how the powers to appoint and/or remove directors or trustees were allocated among the supported organizations and what conditions or restrictions, if any, applied to such powers during the tax year.</i>	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? <i>If "Yes," explain in Part VI how providing such benefit carried out the purposes of the supported organization(s) that operated, supervised, or controlled the supporting organization.</i>	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)? <i>If "No," describe in Part VI how control or management of the supporting organization was vested in the same persons that controlled or managed the supported organization(s).</i>	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? <i>If "No," explain in Part VI how the organization maintained a close and continuous working relationship with the supported organization(s).</i>	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? <i>If "Yes," describe in Part VI the role the organization's supported organizations played in this regard.</i>	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	<input type="checkbox"/> The organization satisfied the Activities Test. Complete line 2 below.			
b	<input type="checkbox"/> The organization is the parent of each of its supported organizations. Complete line 3 below.			
c	<input type="checkbox"/> 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.		Yes	No
a	Did substantially all of the organization's activities during the tax year directly further the exempt purposes of the supported organization(s) to which the organization was responsive? <i>If "Yes," then in Part VI identify those supported organizations and explain how these activities directly furthered their exempt purposes, how the organization was responsive to those supported organizations, and how the organization determined that these activities constituted substantially all of its activities.</i>	2a		
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? <i>If "Yes," explain in Part VI the reasons for the organization's position that its supported organization(s) would have engaged in these activities but for the organization's involvement.</i>	2b		
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? <i>Provide details in Part VI.</i>	3a		
b	Did the organization exercise a substantial degree of direction over the policies, programs, and activities of each of its supported organizations? <i>If "Yes," describe in Part VI the role played by the organization in this regard.</i>	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. **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 2015 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-2015	(iii) Distributable Amount for 2015
1 Distributable amount for 2015 from Section C, line 6			
2 Underdistributions, if any, for years prior to 2015 (reasonable cause required-see instructions)			
3 Excess distributions carryover, if any, to 2015:			
a			
b			
c			
d From 2013			
e From 2014			
f Total of lines 3a through e			
g Applied to underdistributions of prior years			
h Applied to 2015 distributable amount			
i Carryover from 2010 not applied (see instructions)			
j Remainder. Subtract lines 3g, 3h, and 3i from 3f.			
4 Distributions for 2015 from Section D, line 7: \$			
a Applied to underdistributions of prior years			
b Applied to 2015 distributable amount			
c Remainder. Subtract lines 4a and 4b from 4.			
5 Remaining underdistributions for years prior to 2015, if any. Subtract lines 3g and 4a from line 2 (if amount greater than zero, see instructions).			
6 Remaining underdistributions for 2015. Subtract lines 3h and 4b from line 1 (if amount greater than zero, see instructions).			
7 Excess distributions carryover to 2016. Add lines 3j and 4c.			
8 Breakdown of line 7:			
a			
b			
c Excess from 2013			
d Excess from 2014			
e Excess from 2015			

SCHEDULE D (Form 990)

Supplemental Financial Statements

OMB No. 1545-0047

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.

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Attach to Form 990.

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Information about Schedule D (Form 990) and its instructions is at www.irs.gov/form990.

Name of the organization

Employer identification number

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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.

Table with 2 columns: (a) Donor advised funds, (b) Funds and other accounts. Rows include: 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?, 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?

Part II Conservation Easements.

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

Table with 2 columns: Held at the End of the Tax Year. Rows include: 1 Purpose(s) of conservation easements held by the organization (check all that apply), 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, 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?, 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)?, 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.

Table with 2 columns: Revenue, Assets. Rows include: 1a If the organization elected, as permitted under SFAS 116 (ASC 958), not to report in its revenue statement and balance sheet works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets held for public exhibition, education, or research in furtherance of public service, provide, in Part XIII, the text of the footnote to its financial statements that describes these items. 1b If the organization elected, as permitted under SFAS 116 (ASC 958), to report in its revenue statement and balance sheet works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets held for public exhibition, education, or research in furtherance of public service, provide the following amounts relating to these items: (i) Revenue included in Form 990, Part VIII, line 1, (ii) Assets included in Form 990, Part X. 2 If the organization received or held works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets for financial gain, provide the following amounts required to be reported under SFAS 116 (ASC 958) relating to these items: a Revenue included in Form 990, Part VIII, line 1, b Assets included in Form 990, Part X.

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

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

Part IV Escrow and Custodial Arrangements.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 9, or reported an amount on Form 990, Part X, line 21.

- 1a** Is the organization an agent, trustee, custodian or other intermediary for contributions or other assets not included on Form 990, Part X? Yes No
- b** If "Yes," explain the arrangement in Part XIII and complete the following table:
- | | Amount |
|--|-----------|
| c Beginning balance | 1c |
| d Additions during the year | 1d |
| e Distributions during the year | 1e |
| f Ending balance | 1f |
- 2a** Did the organization include an amount on Form 990, Part X, line 21, for escrow or custodial account liability? Yes No
- b** If "Yes," explain the arrangement in Part XIII. Check here if the explanation has been provided on Part XIII

Part V Endowment Funds.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 10.

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

- 2** Provide the estimated percentage of the current year end balance (line 1g, column (a)) held as:
- a** Board designated or quasi-endowment _____%
 - b** Permanent endowment _____%
 - c** Temporarily restricted endowment _____%
- The percentages on lines 2a, 2b, and 2c should equal 100%.

- 3a** Are there endowment funds not in the possession of the organization that are held and administered for the organization by:
- | | 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
1a Land				
b Buildings				
c Leasehold improvements				
d Equipment		63,942.	14,245.	49,697.
e Other				
Total. Add lines 1a through 1e. (Column (d) must equal Form 990, Part X, column (B), line 10c.)				49,697.

Part VII Investments - Other Securities.

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

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

Part VIII Investments - Program Related.

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

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

Part IX Other Assets.

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

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

Part X Other Liabilities.

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

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

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

Part XIII Supplemental Information (continued)

REVENUE ON RETURN BUT NOT ON BOOKS

\$370,542 - DIRECT FUNDRAISING EXPENSES

EXPENSES ON RETURN BUT NOT ON BOOKS

\$370,542 - DIRECT FUNDRAISING EXPENSES

FIN 48 (ASC 740) FOOTNOTE

MANAGEMENT HAS ANALYZED THE TAX POSITIONS BY THE ORGANIZATION AND HAS
CONCLUDED THAT AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2015 AND 2014, THERE ARE NO UNCERTAIN
TAX POSITIONS TAKEN OR EXPECTED TO BE TAKEN THAT WOULD REQUIRE
RECOGNITION OF A LIABILITY OR DISCLOSURE IN THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS.

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

		(a) Event #1	(b) Event #2	(c) Other events	(d) Total events	
		ANNUAL BENEFIT (event type)	(event type)	(total number)	(add col. (a) through col. (c))	
Revenue	1	Gross receipts	1,754,774.		1,754,774.	
	2	Less: Contributions	1,631,574.		1,631,574.	
	3	Gross income (line 1 minus line 2)	123,200.		123,200.	
Direct Expenses	4	Cash prizes				
	5	Noncash prizes				
	6	Rent/facility costs				
	7	Food and beverages				
	8	Entertainment				
	9	Other direct expenses	370,542.		370,542.	
	10	Direct expense summary. Add lines 4 through 9 in column (d) ▶				370,542.
	11	Net income summary. Subtract line 10 from line 3, column (d) ▶				-247,342.

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

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

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

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

b If "No," explain: _____

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

b If "Yes," explain: _____

**SCHEDULE I
(Form 990)**

**Grants and Other Assistance to Organizations,
Governments, and Individuals in the United States**

OMB No. 1545-0047

2015

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Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 21 or 22.
▶ Attach to Form 990.

▶ Information about Schedule I (Form 990) and its instructions is at www.irs.gov/form990.

Name of the organization

A BETTER CHICAGO

Employer identification number

27-4499625

Part I General Information on Grants and Assistance

- Does the organization maintain records to substantiate the amount of the grants or assistance, the grantees' eligibility for the grants or assistance, and the selection criteria used to award the grants or assistance? Yes No
- Describe in Part IV the organization's procedures for monitoring the use of grant funds in the United States.

Part II Grants and Other Assistance to Domestic Organizations and Domestic Governments. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 21, for any recipient that received more than \$5,000. Part II can be duplicated if additional space is needed.

1 (a) Name and address of organization or government	(b) EIN	(c) IRC section if applicable	(d) Amount of cash grant	(e) Amount of non-cash assistance	(f) Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other)	(g) Description of non-cash assistance	(h) Purpose of grant or assistance
(1) KIPP CHICAGO SCHOOLS 1945 S. HALSTED STREET, SUITE 101	30-0135927	501(C)(3)	250,000.				COMMUNITY DEVELOPMEN
(2) ONE MILLION DEGREES 226 W. JACKSON #528 CHICAGO, IL 60606	42-1710230	501(C)(3)	212,500.				COMMUNITY DEVELOPMEN
(3) READING IN MOTION 65 E. WACKER PLACE, SUITE 305	36-3235853	501(C)(3)	200,000.				COMMUNITY DEVELOPMEN
(4) UPWARDLY GLOBAL 180 N. WABASH AVENUE CHICAGO, IL 60601	94-3346127	501(C)(3)	50,000.				COMMUNITY DEVELOPMEN
(5) CITIZEN SCHOOLS 222 MERCHANDISE MART PLAZA, SUITE 1212	04-3259160	501(C)(3)	85,000.				COMMUNITY DEVELOPMEN
(6) LEARN CHARTER SCHOOL P.O. BOX 08328 CHICAGO, IL 60608	36-4439074	501(C)(3)	475,000.				COMMUNITY DEVELOPMEN
(7) ONE GOAL 215 W. SUPERIOR, SUITE 700	27-1488618	501(C)(3)	212,500.				COMMUNITY DEVELOPMEN
(8) INTRINSIC SCHOOLS 4517 NORTH ARTESIAN CHICAGO, IL 60625	45-5454261	501(C)(3)	25,000.				COMMUNITY DEVELOPMEN
(9) GENESYS WORKS CHICAGO 333 WEST WACKER DRIVE CHICAGO, IL 60606	27-1628710	501(C)(3)	125,000.				COMMUNITY DEVELOPMEN
(10) BOTTOM LINE 500 AMORY STREET, SUITE 1	04-3351427	501(C)(3)	60,000.				COMMUNITY DEVELOPMEN
(11) VOCEL 5058 W. JACKSON BLVD CHICAGO, IL 60644	46-2159711	501(C)(3)	50,000.				COMMUNITY DEVELOPMEN
(12) STRIVE FOR COLLEGE 556 VALLEY WAY MILPITAS, CA 95035	27-2416448	501(C)(3)	25,000.				COMMUNITY DEVELOPMEN

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

3 Enter total number of other organizations listed in the line 1 table ▶

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Schedule I (Form 990) (2015)

**SCHEDULE I
(Form 990)**

**Grants and Other Assistance to Organizations,
Governments, and Individuals in the United States**

OMB No. 1545-0047

2015

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Internal Revenue Service

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 21 or 22.

▶ Attach to Form 990.

▶ Information about Schedule I (Form 990) and its instructions is at www.irs.gov/form990.

Name of the organization

A BETTER CHICAGO

Employer identification number

27-4499625

Part I General Information on Grants and Assistance

- Does the organization maintain records to substantiate the amount of the grants or assistance, the grantees' eligibility for the grants or assistance, and the selection criteria used to award the grants or assistance? Yes No
- Describe in Part IV the organization's procedures for monitoring the use of grant funds in the United States.

Part II Grants and Other Assistance to Domestic Organizations and Domestic Governments. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 21, for any recipient that received more than \$5,000. Part II can be duplicated if additional space is needed.

1 (a) Name and address of organization or government	(b) EIN	(c) IRC section if applicable	(d) Amount of cash grant	(e) Amount of non-cash assistance	(f) Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other)	(g) Description of non-cash assistance	(h) Purpose of grant or assistance
(1) COLLEGE POSSIBLE 215 W. SUPERIOR 3RD FLOOR CHICAGO, IL 60654	41-1968798	501(C)(3)	25,000.				COMMUNITY DEVELOPMEN
(2) INTERNATIONAL NEIGHBORHOOD COLLABORATIVE 716 E 47TH ST, 2ND FLOOR CHICAGO, IL 60653	45-2946191	501(C)(3)	25,000.				COMMUNITY DEVELOPMEN
(3) NOBLE NETWORK OF CHARTER SCHOOLS 1 NORTH STATE STREET, FLOOR 7L	36-4241970	501(C)(3)	250,000.				COMMUNITY DEVELOPMEN
(4)							
(5)							
(6)							
(7)							
(8)							
(9)							
(10)							
(11)							
(12)							

2 Enter total number of section 501(c)(3) and government organizations listed in the line 1 table ▶ 15.

3 Enter total number of other organizations listed in the line 1 table ▶

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Part III Grants and Other Assistance to Individuals in the United States. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 22.
Part III can be duplicated if additional space is needed.

(a) Type of grant or assistance	(b) Number of recipients	(c) Amount of cash grant	(d) Amount of non-cash assistance	(e) Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other)	(f) Description of non-cash assistance
1					
2					
3					
4					
5					
6					
7					

Part IV Supplemental Information. Complete this part to provide the information required in Part I, line 2, Part III, column (b), and any other additional information.

**SCHEDULE M
(Form 990)**

Noncash Contributions

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- ▶ Complete if the organizations answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, lines 29 or 30.
- ▶ Attach to Form 990.
- ▶ Information about Schedule M (Form 990) and its instructions is at www.irs.gov/form990.

Name of the organization

A BETTER CHICAGO

Employer identification number

27-4499625

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	5 .	506,453 .	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**

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

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SCHEDULE O
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

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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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CONFLICT OF INTEREST POLICY, PART VII - SECTION B - LINE 12

NEW BOARD MEMBERS AND EMPLOYEES RECEIVE AN ORIENTATION BOOKLET CONTAINING THE ORGANIZATION'S CONFLICT OF INTEREST POLICY. THE ORGANIZATION RELIES ON THE BOARD MEMBERS AND EMPLOYEES TO NOTIFY THE ORGANIZATION OF ANY CONFLICTS OF INTEREST THAT MAY ARISE DURING THEIR TERM AS A BOARD MEMBER OR EMPLOYMENT.

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

THE COMPLETED 990 AND RESPECTIVE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS ARE REVIEWED BY THE BOARD DURING A BOARD MEETING PRIOR TO SUBMISSION.

DETERMINATION OF COMPENSATION, PART VI - SECTION B - LINE 15

COMPENSATION FOR THE ORGANIZATION'S MANAGEMENT TEAM WAS DETERMINED BY THE CEO BASED ON MARKET ANALYSIS.

PART VI - SECTION C. DISCLOSURE, LINE 19

THE ORGANIZATION MAKES ITS GOVERNING DOCUMENTS, CONFLICT OF INTEREST POLICY, AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC UPON REQUEST.

ATTACHMENT 1

FORM 990, PART III, LINE 1 - ORGANIZATION'S MISSION

A BETTER CHICAGO IS A VENTURE PHILANTHROPY FUND FOR THE CHICAGO METROPOLITAN AREA. THE ORGANIZATION PROVIDES FUNDING AND MANAGEMENT SUPPORT TO A PORTFOLIO OF HIGH-PERFORMING NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS THAT ARE DRAMATICALLY ADVANCING OPPORTUNITIES FOR CHICAGO'S LOW-INCOME POPULATION.

Name of the organization A BETTER CHICAGO	Employer identification number
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ATTACHMENT 2FORM 990, PART VIII - INVESTMENT INCOME

<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	(A) <u>TOTAL REVENUE</u>	(B) <u>RELATED OR EXEMPT REVENUE</u>	(C) <u>UNRELATED BUSINESS REV.</u>	(D) <u>EXCLUDED REVENUE</u>
DIVIDEND INCOME	280.			280.
INTEREST INCOME	51.			51.
TOTALS	<u>331.</u>			<u>331.</u>

ATTACHMENT 3FORM 990, PART VIII - EXCLUDED CONTRIBUTIONS

<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
ANNUAL BENEFIT	1,631,574.
TOTAL	<u>1,631,574.</u>

ATTACHMENT 4FORM 990, PART VIII - FUNDRAISING EVENTS

<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>GROSS INCOME</u>	<u>DIRECT EXPENSES</u>	<u>NET INCOME</u>
ANNUAL BENEFIT	123,200.	370,542.	-247,342.
TOTALS	<u>123,200.</u>	<u>370,542.</u>	<u>-247,342.</u>

ATTACHMENT 5FORM 990, PART X - PREPAID EXPENSES AND DEFERRED CHARGES

<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>ENDING BOOK VALUE</u>
SECURITY DEPOSITS	10,500.
PREPAID EXPENSES	24,333.

Name of the organization

Employer identification number

A BETTER CHICAGO

ATTACHMENT 5 (CONT'D)

FORM 990, PART X - PREPAID EXPENSES AND DEFERRED CHARGES

<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>ENDING BOOK VALUE</u>
ANNUAL BENEFIT EXPENSES	
OTHER RECEIVABLE	5.
TOTALS	<u>34,838.</u>

**SCHEDULE D
(Form 1041)**

Capital Gains and Losses

OMB No. 1545-0092

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

▶ Attach to Form 1041, Form 5227, or Form 990-T.
▶ Use Form 8949 to list your transactions for lines 1b, 2, 3, 8b, 9 and 10.
▶ Information about Schedule D and its separate instructions is at www.irs.gov/form1041.

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Name of estate or trust

A BETTER CHICAGO

Employer identification number

27-4499625

Note: Form 5227 filers need to complete **only** Parts I and II.

Part I Short-Term Capital Gains and Losses - Assets Held One Year or Less

See instructions for how to figure the amounts to enter on the lines below.

This form may be easier to complete if you round off cents to whole dollars.

	(d) Proceeds (sales price)	(e) Cost (or other basis)	(g) Adjustments to gain or loss from Form(s) 8949, Part I, line 2, column (g)	(h) Gain or (loss) Subtract column (e) from column (d) and combine the result with column (g)
1a Totals for all short-term transactions reported on Form 1099-B for which basis was reported to the IRS and for which you have no adjustments (see instructions). However, if you choose to report all these transactions on Form 8949, leave this line blank and go to line 1b.				
1b Totals for all transactions reported on Form(s) 8949 with Box A checked	514,101.	508,915.		5,186.
2 Totals for all transactions reported on Form(s) 8949 with Box B checked				
3 Totals for all transactions reported on Form(s) 8949 with Box C checked				
4 Short-term capital gain or (loss) from Forms 4684, 6252, 6781, and 8824				4
5 Net short-term gain or (loss) from partnerships, S corporations, and other estates or trusts				5
6 Short-term capital loss carryover. Enter the amount, if any, from line 9 of the 2014 Capital Loss Carryover Worksheet.				6 ()
7 Net short-term capital gain or (loss) . Combine lines 1a through 6 in column (h). Enter here and on line 17, column (3) on the back ▶				7 5,186.

Part II Long-Term Capital Gains and Losses - Assets Held More Than One Year

See instructions for how to figure the amounts to enter on the lines below.

This form may be easier to complete if you round off cents to whole dollars.

	(d) Proceeds (sales price)	(e) Cost (or other basis)	(g) Adjustments to gain or loss from Form(s) 8949, Part II, line 2, column (g)	(h) Gain or (loss) Subtract column (e) from column (d) and combine the result with column (g)
8a Totals for all long-term transactions reported on Form 1099-B for which basis was reported to the IRS and for which you have no adjustments (see instructions). However, if you choose to report all these transactions on Form 8949, leave this line blank and go to line 8b.				
8b Totals for all transactions reported on Form(s) 8949 with Box D checked				
9 Totals for all transactions reported on Form(s) 8949 with Box E checked				
10 Totals for all transactions reported on Form(s) 8949 with Box F checked				
11 Long-term capital gain or (loss) from Forms 2439, 4684, 6252, 6781, and 8824				11
12 Net long-term gain or (loss) from partnerships, S corporations, and other estates or trusts.				12
13 Capital gain distributions.				13
14 Gain from Form 4797, Part I.				14
15 Long-term capital loss carryover. Enter the amount, if any, from line 14 of the 2014 Capital Loss Carryover Worksheet				15 ()
16 Net long-term capital gain or (loss) . Combine lines 8a through 15 in column (h). Enter here and on line 18a, column (3) on the back ▶				16

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Schedule D (Form 1041) 2015

Part III Summary of Parts I and II		(1) Beneficiaries' (see instr.)	(2) Estate's or trust's	(3) Total
Caution: Read the instructions before completing this part.				
17	Net short-term gain or (loss) ,	17		5,186.
18	Net long-term gain or (loss):			
a	Total for year	18a		
b	Unrecaptured section 1250 gain (see line 18 of the wrksh.)	18b		
c	28% rate gain	18c		
19	Total net gain or (loss) . Combine lines 17 and 18a. ▶	19		5,186.

Note: If line 19, column (3), is a net gain, enter the gain on Form 1041, line 4 (or Form 990-T, Part I, line 4a). If lines 18a and 19, column (2), are net gains, go to Part V, and **do not** complete Part IV. If line 19, column (3), is a net loss, complete Part IV and the **Capital Loss Carryover Worksheet**, as necessary.

Part IV Capital Loss Limitation		
20	Enter here and enter as a (loss) on Form 1041, line 4 (or Form 990-T, Part I, line 4c, if a trust), the smaller of: a The loss on line 19, column (3) or b \$3,000	20 ()

Note: If the loss on line 19, column (3), is more than \$3,000, **or** if Form 1041, page 1, line 22 (or Form 990-T, line 34), is a loss, complete the **Capital Loss Carryover Worksheet** in the instructions to figure your capital loss carryover.

Part V Tax Computation Using Maximum Capital Gains Rates

Form 1041 filers. Complete this part **only** if both lines 18a and 19 in column (2) are gains, or an amount is entered in Part I or Part II and there is an entry on Form 1041, line 2b(2), **and** Form 1041, line 22, is more than zero.

Caution: Skip this part and complete the **Schedule D Tax Worksheet** in the instructions if:

- Either line 18b, col. (2) or line 18c, col. (2) is more than zero, or
- Both Form 1041, line 2b(1), and Form 4952, line 4g are more than zero.

Form 990-T trusts. Complete this part **only** if both lines 18a and 19 are gains, or qualified dividends are included in income in Part I of Form 990-T, **and** Form 990-T, line 34, is more than zero. Skip this part and complete the **Schedule D Tax Worksheet** in the instructions if either line 18b, col. (2) or line 18c, col. (2) is more than zero.

21	Enter taxable income from Form 1041, line 22 (or Form 990-T, line 34),	21		
22	Enter the smaller of line 18a or 19 in column (2) but not less than zero.	22		
23	Enter the estate's or trust's qualified dividends from Form 1041, line 2b(2) (or enter the qualified dividends included in income in Part I of Form 990-T),	23		
24	Add lines 22 and 23	24		
25	If the estate or trust is filing Form 4952, enter the amount from line 4g; otherwise, enter -0- ▶	25		
26	Subtract line 25 from line 24. If zero or less, enter -0-	26		
27	Subtract line 26 from line 21. If zero or less, enter -0-	27		
28	Enter the smaller of the amount on line 21 or \$2,500	28		
29	Enter the smaller of the amount on line 27 or line 28	29		
30	Subtract line 29 from line 28. If zero or less, enter -0-. This amount is taxed at 0% ▶	30		
31	Enter the smaller of line 21 or line 26	31		
32	Subtract line 30 from line 26	32		
33	Enter the smaller of line 21 or \$12,300	33		
34	Add lines 27 and 30	34		
35	Subtract line 34 from line 33. If zero or less, enter -0-	35		
36	Enter the smaller of line 32 or line 35	36		
37	Multiply line 36 by 15%. ▶	37		
38	Enter the amount from line 31	38		
39	Add lines 30 and 36	39		
40	Subtract line 39 from line 38. If zero or less, enter -0-	40		
41	Multiply line 40 by 20% ▶	41		
42	Figure the tax on the amount on line 27. Use the 2015 Tax Rate Schedule for Estates and Trusts (see the Schedule G instructions in the instructions for Form 1041)	42		
43	Add lines 37, 41, and 42	43		
44	Figure the tax on the amount on line 21. Use the 2015 Tax Rate Schedule for Estates and Trusts (see the Schedule G instructions in the instructions for Form 1041)	44		
45	Tax on all taxable income. Enter the smaller of line 43 or line 44 here and on Form 1041, Schedule G, line 1a (or Form 990-T, line 36) ▶	45		

ILLINOIS CHARITABLE ORGANIZATION ANNUAL REPORT

Attorney General **LISA MADIGAN** State of Illinois
 Charitable Trust Bureau, 100 West Randolph
 11th Floor, Chicago, Illinois 60601

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Report for the Fiscal Period:

Beginning 1 / 1 / 2015

& Ending 12 / 31 / 2015
MO DAY YR

Make Checks Payable to the Illinois Charity Bureau Fund

Check all items attached:

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Copy of IRS Return
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Audited Financial Statements
<input type="checkbox"/>	Copy of Form IFC
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	\$15.00 Annual Report Filing Fee
<input type="checkbox"/>	\$100.00 Late Report Filing Fee

Federal ID # 27-4499625

Are contributions to the organization tax deductible? Yes No

Date Organization was created: 1 / 4 / 2011
MO DAY YR

LEGAL NAME A BETTER CHICAGO MAIL ADDRESS 600 W. VAN BUREN, SUITE 510 CITY, STATE CHICAGO, IL ZIP CODE 60607	Year-end amounts A) ASSETS A) \$ 9,122,472. B) LIABILITIES B) \$ 627,416. C) NET ASSETS C) \$ 8,495,056.
I. SUMMARY OF ALL REVENUE ITEMS DURING THE YEAR: D) PUBLIC SUPPORT, CONTRIBUTIONS & PROGRAM SERVICE REV. (GROSS AMTS.) E) GOVERNMENT GRANTS & MEMBERSHIP DUES F) OTHER REVENUES G) TOTAL REVENUE, INCOME AND CONTRIBUTIONS RECEIVED (ADD D, E, & F)	PERCENTAGE AMOUNT 100% D) \$ 9,319,584. % E) \$ % F) \$ 5,517. 100% G) \$ 9,325,101.
II. SUMMARY OF ALL EXPENDITURES DURING THE YEAR: H) OPERATING CHARITABLE PROGRAM EXPENSE I) EDUCATION PROGRAM SERVICE EXPENSE J) TOTAL CHARITABLE PROGRAM SERVICE EXPENSE (ADD H & I) J1) JOINT COSTS ALLOCATED TO PROGRAM SERVICES (INCLUDED IN J): \$ K) GRANTS TO OTHER CHARITABLE ORGANIZATIONS L) TOTAL CHARITABLE PROGRAM SERVICE EXPENDITURE (ADD J & K) M) MANAGEMENT AND GENERAL EXPENSE N) FUNDRAISING EXPENSE O) TOTAL EXPENDITURES THIS PERIOD (ADD L, M, & N)	15% H) \$ 504,365. % I) \$ 15% J) \$ 504,365. 60% K) \$ 2,095,491. 75% L) \$ 2,599,856. 6% M) \$ 215,261. 19% N) \$ 656,519. 100% O) \$ 3,471,636.
III. SUMMARY OF ALL PAID FUNDRAISER AND CONSULTANT ACTIVITIES: (Attach Attorney General Report of Individual Fundraising Campaign - Form IFC. One for each PFR.) PROFESSIONAL FUNDRAISERS: P) TOTAL AMOUNT RAISED BY PAID PROFESSIONAL FUNDRAISERS Q) TOTAL FUNDRAISERS FEES AND EXPENSES R) NET RECEIVED BY THE CHARITY (P MINUS Q=R) PROFESSIONAL FUNDRAISING CONSULTANTS: S) TOTAL AMOUNT PAID TO PROFESSIONAL FUNDRAISING CONSULTANTS	100% P) \$ % Q) \$ % R) \$ S) \$
IV. COMPENSATION TO THE (3) HIGHEST PAID PERSONS DURING THE YEAR: T) NAME, TITLE: JULIE HOFFMANN, MANAGING DIRECTOR U) NAME, TITLE: ALLISON HENRY, MANAGING DIRECTOR V) NAME, TITLE: VALERIE DAO, PORTFOLIO DIRECTOR	T) \$ 118,320. U) \$ 91,025. V) \$ 90,420.
V. CHARITABLE PROGRAM DESCRIPTION: CHARITABLE PROGRAM (3 HIGHEST BY \$ EXPENDED) CODE CATEGORIES W) DESCRIPTION: NEIGHBORHOOD AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT X) DESCRIPTION: Y) DESCRIPTION:	List on back side of instructions CODE W) # 112 X) # Y) #

IF THE ANSWER TO ANY OF THE FOLLOWING IS YES, ATTACH A DETAILED EXPLANATION:		YES	NO
1.	WAS THE ORGANIZATION THE SUBJECT OF ANY COURT ACTION, FINE, PENALTY OR JUDGMENT?		X
2.	HAS THE ORGANIZATION OR A CURRENT DIRECTOR, TRUSTEE, OFFICER OR EMPLOYEE THEREOF, EVER BEEN CONVICTED BY ANY COURT OF ANY MISDEMEANOR INVOLVING THE MISUSE OR MISAPPROPRIATION OF FUNDS OR ANY FELONY?		X
3.	DID THE ORGANIZATION MAKE A GRANT AWARD OR CONTRIBUTION TO ANY ORGANIZATION IN WHICH ANY OF ITS OFFICERS, DIRECTORS OR TRUSTEES OWNS AN INTEREST; OR WAS IT A PARTY TO ANY TRANSACTION IN WHICH ANY OF ITS OFFICERS, DIRECTORS OR TRUSTEES HAS A MATERIAL FINANCIAL INTEREST; OR DID ANY OFFICER, DIRECTOR OR TRUSTEE RECEIVE ANYTHING OF VALUE NOT REPORTED AS COMPENSATION?		X
4.	HAS THE ORGANIZATION INVESTED IN ANY CORPORATE STOCK IN WHICH ANY OFFICER, DIRECTOR OR TRUSTEE OWNS MORE THAN 10% OF THE OUTSTANDING SHARES?		X
5.	IS ANY PROPERTY OF THE ORGANIZATION HELD IN THE NAME OF OR COMMINGLED WITH THE PROPERTY OF ANY OTHER PERSON OR ORGANIZATION?		X
6.	DID THE ORGANIZATION USE THE SERVICES OF A PROFESSIONAL FUNDRAISER? (ATTACH FORM IFC)		X
7a.	DID THE ORGANIZATION ALLOCATE THE COST OF ANY SOLICITATION, MAILING, ADVERTISEMENT OR LITERATURE COSTS BETWEEN PROGRAM SERVICE AND FUNDRAISING EXPENSES?		X
7b.	IF "YES", ENTER (i) THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT OF THESE JOINT COSTS \$ _____ ; (ii) THE AMOUNT ALLOCATED TO PROGRAM SERVICES \$ _____ ; (iii) THE AMOUNT ALLOCATED TO MANAGEMENT AND GENERAL \$ _____ ; AND (iv) THE AMOUNT ALLOCATED TO FUNDRAISING \$ _____		
8.	DID THE ORGANIZATION EXPEND ITS RESTRICTED FUNDS FOR PURPOSES OTHER THAN RESTRICTED PURPOSES?		X
9.	HAS THE ORGANIZATION EVER BEEN REFUSED REGISTRATION OR HAD ITS REGISTRATION OR TAX EXEMPTION SUSPENDED OR REVOKED BY ANY GOVERNMENTAL AGENCY?		X
10.	WAS THERE OR DO YOU HAVE ANY KNOWLEDGE OF ANY KICKBACK, BRIBE, OR ANY THEFT, DEFALCATION MISAPPROPRIATION, COMMINGLING OR MISUSE OF ORGANIZATIONAL FUNDS?		X
11.	LIST THE NAME AND ADDRESS OF THE FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS WHERE THE ORGANIZATION MAINTAINS ITS THREE LARGEST ACCOUNTS: NORTHERN TRUST - 50 SOUTH LASALLE STREET, CHICAGO, IL 60603 WILLIAM BLAIR & COMPANY - 222 WEST ADAMS STREET, CHICAGO, IL 60606		
12.	NAME AND TELEPHONE NUMBER OF CONTACT PERSON: WILLIAM V. KREHBIEL, 312-674-7066		

ALL ATTACHMENTS MUST ACCOMPANY THIS REPORT - SEE INSTRUCTIONS

UNDER PENALTY OF PERJURY, I (WE) THE UNDERSIGNED DECLARE AND CERTIFY THAT I (WE) HAVE EXAMINED THIS ANNUAL REPORT AND THE ATTACHED DOCUMENTS, INCLUDING ALL THE SCHEDULES AND STATEMENTS AND THE FACTS THEREIN STATED ARE TRUE AND COMPLETE AND FILED WITH THE ILLINOIS ATTORNEY GENERAL FOR THE PURPOSE OF HAVING THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS RELY THEREUPON. I HEREBY FURTHER AUTHORIZE AND AGREE TO SUBMIT MYSELF AND THE REGISTRANT HEREBY TO THE JURISDICTION OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS.

<p>BE SURE TO INCLUDE ALL FEES DUE:</p> <p>1.) REPORTS ARE DUE WITHIN SIX MONTHS OF YOUR FISCAL YEAR END.</p> <p>2.) FOR FEES DUE SEE INSTRUCTIONS.</p> <p>3.) REPORTS THAT ARE LATE OR INCOMPLETE ARE SUBJECT TO A \$100.00 PENALTY.</p>	<p>WILLIAM V. KREHBIEL PRESIDENT or TRUSTEE (PRINT NAME)</p> <hr/> <p>JACK KELLER TREASURER or TRUSTEE (PRINT NAME)</p> <hr/> <p>KEVIN HODGES PREPARER (PRINT NAME)</p>	<p>SIGNATURE</p> <hr/> <p>SIGNATURE</p> <hr/> <p>SIGNATURE</p>	<p>DATE</p> <hr/> <p>DATE</p> <hr/> <p>DATE</p>
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