

Form 990

Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

OMB No. 1545-0047

2023

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Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service

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A For the 2023 calendar year, or tax year beginning 01-01-2023, and ending 12-31-2023

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

C Name of organization THE MISSION CONTINUES, Doing business as, Number and street (or P.O. box if mail is not delivered to street address) 1141 SOUTH 7TH STREET, Room/suite, City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code SAINT LOUIS, MO 63104

D Employer identification number 20-8742553, E Telephone number (314) 588-8805, G Gross receipts \$ 16,757,265

F Name and address of principal officer: AUTUMN SMOOT, 1141 SOUTH 7TH STREET, SAINT LOUIS, MO 63104

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

I Tax-exempt status: 501(c)(3)

J Website: WWW.MISSIONCONTINUES.ORG

K Form of organization: Corporation

L Year of formation: 2007

M State of legal domicile: MO

Part I Summary

1 Briefly describe the organization's mission or most significant activities: CONNECT MILITARY VETERANS WITH OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE IN UNDER-RESOURCED COMMUNITIES

Table with 3 columns: Line number, Description, Amount. Rows 2-7a, 7b.

Table with 3 columns: Line number, Description, Prior Year, Current Year. Rows 8-12.

Table with 3 columns: Line number, Description, Prior Year, Current Year. Rows 13-19.

Table with 3 columns: Line number, Description, Beginning of Current Year, End of Year. Rows 20-22.

Part II Signature Block

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

Sign Here	Signature of officer AUTUMN SMOOT CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER		Date 2024-07-10		
	Type or print name and title				
Paid Preparer Use Only	Print/Type preparer's name	Preparer's signature	Date 2024-06-18	Check <input type="checkbox"/> if self-employed	PTIN P01251998
	Firm's name ARMANINO LLP			Firm's EIN 94-6214841	
	Firm's address 6 CITYPLACE DRIVE SUITE 900 ST LOUIS, MO 63141			Phone no. (314) 983-1200	

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

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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:
WE CONNECT MILITARY VETERANS WITH OPPORTUNITIES TO CONTINUE THEIR SERVICE AND LEADERSHIP IN UNDER-RESOURCED COMMUNITIES.

2 Did the organization undertake any significant program services during the year which were not listed on the prior Form 990 or 990-EZ? Yes No
If "Yes," describe these new services on Schedule O.

3 Did the organization cease conducting, or make significant changes in how it conducts, any program services? Yes No
If "Yes," describe these changes on Schedule O.

4 Describe the organization's program service accomplishments for each of its three largest program services, as measured by expenses. Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations are required to report the amount of grants and allocations to others, the total expenses, and revenue, if any, for each program service reported.

4a (Code:) (Expenses \$ **2,711,238** including grants of \$ **221,200**) (Revenue \$)
 SERVICE PLATOON PROGRAM - CONNECTS VETERANS IN A CITY TO TACKLE A NEW MISSION IN THEIR COMMUNITY. VOLUNTEERS WITHOUT PREVIOUS MILITARY SERVICE ARE WELCOME, AND PLATOONS OFTEN FORM PARTNERSHIPS WITH OTHER COMMUNITY GROUPS. EACH PLATOON IS VETERAN-LED, SUPPORTED BY A LEADERSHIP TEAM, AND DIRECTED BY A PLATOON LEADER. PLATOON LEADERS COMMIT TO ONE YEAR OF SERVICE, PARTICIPATE IN LEADERSHIP TRAINING THROUGH THE SERVICE LEADERSHIP CORPS, AND HAVE ACCESS TO MENTORING AND OTHER INDIVIDUAL GROWTH OPPORTUNITIES THROUGH THE MISSION CONTINUES' STAFF AND PARTNERS.

4b (Code:) (Expenses \$ **1,959,462** including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)
 PROGRAM SUPPORT AND THOUGHT LEADERSHIP - ALL OF THE MISSION CONTINUES' PROGRAMS REQUIRE THREE PRIMARY FUNCTIONS THAT ARE DELIVERED IN A SCALABLE WAY: TECHNOLOGY TOOLS, PROGRAM DESIGN AND TRAINING, AND EXTERNAL AFFAIRS SUPPORT. THIS ALSO INCLUDES TMC RESEARCH INTO IMPACT ON BOTH VETERANS AND COMMUNITIES AROUND OUR EMPOWERED VETERANS INDEX AND OUR COMMUNITY IMPACT FRAMEWORK.

4c (Code:) (Expenses \$ **1,396,196** including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)
 WOMEN VETERANS LEADERSHIP PROGRAM (WVLP) - THIS PROGRAM CHANGES THE NARRATIVE ON WHAT IT MEANS TO BE A WOMAN VETERAN BY LEVERAGING THEIR LEADERSHIP SKILLS AND AUTHENTIC SELVES TO BECOME CHANGE-MAKERS, ALL WHILE ENHANCING THEIR PERSONAL AND PROFESSIONAL NETWORKS. BY THE END OF THIS ONE-OF-A-KIND PROGRAM, COHORT MEMBERS WILL HAVE FORMED LASTING CONNECTIONS WITH OTHER WOMEN VETERANS AND WILL HAVE DEVELOPED THE SKILL SET TO LEAN INTO LEADERSHIP IN THEIR COMMUNITIES AND BEYOND.

(Code:) (Expenses \$ **820,659** including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)
 MASS DEPLOYMENT PROGRAM- BRINGS VETERANS FROM ACROSS THE COUNTRY TOGETHER WITH COMMUNITY MEMBERS AND LOCAL VETERANS FOR A WEEK OF IMPACT IN AN UNDER-RESOURCED COMMUNITY. OVER SEVEN FULL DAYS, VETERANS CONNECT DEEPLY TO EACH OTHER AND TO A COMMUNITY THAT IS FACING SIGNIFICANT CHALLENGES. THROUGHOUT THE WEEK, THEY GAIN NEW SKILLS IN AN EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING ENVIRONMENT, CONNECTING WITH THEIR FELLOW VETERANS AND WITH THE COMMUNITY IN WHICH THEY SERVE, AND THROUGH THEIR COMMUNITY IMPACT, THEY FIND A RENEWED SENSE OF PURPOSE. FURTHERMORE, THE LARGE INFUSION OF RESOURCES INTO AN UNDER-RESOURCED COMMUNITY SERVES AS A CATALYST FOR CONTINUED ENGAGEMENT AND ADVOCACY BY COMMUNITY MEMBERS. MASS DEPLOYMENT PARTICIPANTS (AKA "CREW MEMBERS") RETURN HOME PREPARED AND ENERGIZED TO LEAD MOVEMENTS OF CHANGE IN THEIR OWN LOCAL COMMUNITIES.

(Code:) (Expenses \$ **802,269** including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)
 SERVICE LEADERSHIP CORPS (SLC) - DEVELOPS VETERANS' LEADERSHIP AND PROJECT MANAGEMENT SKILLS USING ASSET-BASED COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND HUMAN-CENTERED DESIGN PRINCIPLES IN ORDER TO PREPARE THEM FOR LEADERSHIP ROLES WITHIN THE MISSION CONTINUES' SERVICE PLATOON PROGRAM. A VIRTUAL LEARNING CURRICULUM COMPLEMENTS IN-PERSON SESSIONS SPANNING THE SIX-MONTH PROGRAM.

(Code:) (Expenses \$ **450,688** including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)
 LEADING FOR ALL IS THE MISSION CONTINUES' NEWEST LEADERSHIP INITIATIVE THAT PULLS ON VETERANS' ABILITY TO SERVE AS "BRIDGE BUILDERS" WITH OTHERS AND LEAD IN A WAY THAT TRULY BRINGS PEOPLE TOGETHER. THIS THREE-DAY INTENSIVE BUILDS UPON THE STRENGTHS AND EXPERIENCES VETERANS HAVE LEADING ACROSS LINES OF DIFFERENCE TO CULTIVATE AN ENVIRONMENT WHERE ALL FEEL VALUED AND RESPECTED. VETERAN PARTICIPANTS COME AWAY FROM THE WORKSHOP WITH A DEEPER UNDERSTANDING, SPECIFIC TOOLS, AND A PERSONALIZED PLAN OF ACTION FOR PUTTING WHAT THEY LEARNED INTO PRACTICE.

4d	Other program services (Describe in Schedule O.) (Expenses \$ 2,073,616 including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)
4e	Total program service expenses 8,140,512

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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>	Yes	
2 Is the organization required to complete <i>Schedule B, Schedule of Contributors</i> ? See instructions.	Yes	
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>		No
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>		No
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 Rev. Proc. 98-19? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part III</i>		No
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>		No
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>		No
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>		No
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>		No
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>		No
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>	Yes	
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>		No
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>		No
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>		No
e Did the organization report an amount for other liabilities in Part X, line 25? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X</i>	Yes	
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>	Yes	
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>	Yes	
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>		No
13 Is the organization a school described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule E</i>		No
14a Did the organization maintain an office, employees, or agents outside of the United States?		No
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>		No
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>		No
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>		No
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.		No
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>		No
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>		No

- 20a** Did the organization operate one or more hospital facilities? *If "Yes," complete Schedule H*
- 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? *If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and II*

20a		No
20b		
21		No

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Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules (continued)

	Yes	No
22 Did the organization report more than \$5,000 of grants or other assistance to or for domestic individuals on Part IX, column (A), line 2? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and III</i>	Yes	
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>	Yes	
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>		No
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>		No
b Is the organization aware that it engaged in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person in a prior year, and that the transaction has not been reported on any of the organization's prior Forms 990 or 990-EZ? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I</i>		No
26 Did the organization report any amount on Part X, line 5 or 22 for receivables from or payables to any current or former officer, director, trustee, key employee, creator or founder, substantial contributor, or 35% controlled entity or family member of any of these persons? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part II</i>		No
27 Did the organization provide a grant or other assistance to any current or former officer, director, trustee, key employee, creator or founder, substantial contributor, or employee thereof, a grant selection committee member, or to a 35% controlled entity (including an employee thereof) or family member of any of these persons? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part III</i>		No
28 Was the organization a party to a business transaction with one of the following parties (see the Schedule L, Part IV instructions for applicable filing thresholds, conditions, and exceptions):		
a A current or former officer, director, trustee, key employee, creator or founder, or substantial contributor? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV</i>		No
b A family member of any individual described in line 28a? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV</i>		No
c A 35% controlled entity of one or more individuals and/or organizations described in line 28a or 28b? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV</i>		No
29 Did the organization receive more than \$25,000 in non-cash contributions? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule M</i>	Yes	
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>		No
31 Did the organization liquidate, terminate, or dissolve and cease operations? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part I</i>		No
32 Did the organization sell, exchange, dispose of, or transfer more than 25% of its net assets? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part II</i>		No
33 Did the organization own 100% of an entity disregarded as separate from the organization under Regulations sections 301.7701-2 and 301.7701-3? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part I</i>		No
34 Was the organization related to any tax-exempt or taxable entity? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part II, III, or IV, and Part V, line 1</i>		No
35a Did the organization have a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)?		No
b If 'Yes' to line 35a, did the organization receive any payment from or engage in any transaction with a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2</i>		
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>		No
37 Did the organization conduct more than 5% of its activities through an entity that is not a related organization and that is treated as a partnership for federal income tax purposes? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part VI</i>		No
38 Did the organization complete Schedule O and provide explanations on Schedule O for Part VI, lines 11b and 19? Note. All Form 990 filers are required to complete Schedule O.	Yes	

Part V Statements Regarding Other IRS Filings and Tax Compliance

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

		Yes	No
1a	Enter the number reported in box 3 of Form 1096. Enter -0- if not applicable		
1b	Enter the number of Forms W-2G included on line 1a. Enter -0- if not applicable		
1c	Did the organization comply with backup withholding rules for reportable payments to vendors and reportable gaming (gambling) winnings to prize winners?		

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2a	Enter the number of employees reported on Form W-3, Transmittal of Wage and Tax Statements, filed for the calendar year ending with or within the year covered by this return	71		
b	If at least one is reported on line 2a, did the organization file all required federal employment tax returns?		2b	Yes
3a	Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year?		3a	No
b	If "Yes," has it filed a Form 990-T for this year? If "No" to line 3b, provide an explanation in Schedule O		3b	
4a	At any time during the calendar year, did the organization have an interest in, or a signature or other authority over, a financial account in a foreign country (such as a bank account, securities account, or other financial account)?		4a	No
b	If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country: _____ See instructions for filing requirements for FinCEN Form 114, Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts (FBAR).			
5a	Was the organization a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction at any time during the tax year?		5a	No
b	Did any taxable party notify the organization that it was or is a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction?		5b	No
c	If "Yes," to line 5a or 5b, did the organization file Form 8886-T?		5c	
6a	Does the organization have annual gross receipts that are normally greater than \$100,000, and did the organization solicit any contributions that were not tax deductible as charitable contributions?		6a	No
b	If "Yes," did the organization include with every solicitation an express statement that such contributions or gifts were not tax deductible?		6b	
7	Organizations that may receive deductible contributions under section 170(c).			
a	Did the organization receive a payment in excess of \$75 made partly as a contribution and partly for goods and services provided to the payor?		7a	No
b	If "Yes," did the organization notify the donor of the value of the goods or services provided?		7b	
c	Did the organization sell, exchange, or otherwise dispose of tangible personal property for which it was required to file Form 8282?		7c	No
d	If "Yes," indicate the number of Forms 8282 filed during the year	7d		
e	Did the organization receive any funds, directly or indirectly, to pay premiums on a personal benefit contract?		7e	No
f	Did the organization, during the year, pay premiums, directly or indirectly, on a personal benefit contract?		7f	No
g	If the organization received a contribution of qualified intellectual property, did the organization file Form 8899 as required?		7g	
h	If the organization received a contribution of cars, boats, airplanes, or other vehicles, did the organization file a Form 1098-C?		7h	
8	Sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds. Did a donor advised fund maintained by the sponsoring organization have excess business holdings at any time during the year?		8	
9	Sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds.			
a	Did the sponsoring organization make any taxable distributions under section 4966?		9a	
b	Did the sponsoring organization make a distribution to a donor, donor advisor, or related person?		9b	
10	Section 501(c)(7) organizations. Enter:			
a	Initiation fees and capital contributions included on Part VIII, line 12	10a		
b	Gross receipts, included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, for public use of club facilities	10b		
11	Section 501(c)(12) organizations. Enter:			
a	Gross income from members or shareholders	11a		
b	Gross income from other sources. (Do not net amounts due or paid to other sources against amounts due or received from them.)	11b		
12a	Section 4947(a)(1) non-exempt charitable trusts. Is the organization filing Form 990 in lieu of Form 1041?		12a	
b	If "Yes," enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the year.	12b		
13	Section 501(c)(29) qualified nonprofit health insurance issuers.			
a	Is the organization licensed to issue qualified health plans in more than one state? Note See the instructions for additional information the organization must report on Schedule O		13a	

b Enter the amount of reserves the organization is required to maintain by the states in which the organization is licensed to issue qualified health plans		13b		
c Enter the amount of reserves on hand		13c		
14a	Did the organization receive any payments for indoor tanning services during the tax year?	14a		No
b	If "Yes," has it filed a Form 720 to report these payments? If "No," provide an explanation in Schedule O	14b		
15	Is the organization subject to the section 4960 tax on payment(s) of more than \$1,000,000 in remuneration or excess parachute payment(s) during the year? If "Yes," see the instructions and file Form 4720, Schedule N.	15		No
16	Is the organization an educational institution subject to the section 4968 excise tax on net investment income? If "Yes," complete Form 4720, Schedule O.	16		No
17	Section 501(c)(21) organizations. Did the trust, or any disqualified or other person engage in any activities that would result in the imposition of an excise tax under section 4951, 4952, or 4953? If "Yes," complete Form 6069.	17		

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

Section A. Governing Body and Management

		Yes	No
1a	Enter the number of voting members of the governing body at the end of the tax year If there are material differences in voting rights among members of the governing body, or if the governing body delegated broad authority to an executive committee or similar committee, explain in Schedule O.		
1b	Enter the number of voting members included in line 1a, above, who are independent		
2	Did any officer, director, trustee, or key employee have a family relationship or a business relationship with any other officer, director, trustee, or key employee?		No
3	Did the organization delegate control over management duties customarily performed by or under the direct supervision of officers, directors or trustees, or key employees to a management company or other person?		No
4	Did the organization make any significant changes to its governing documents since the prior Form 990 was filed?		No
5	Did the organization become aware during the year of a significant diversion of the organization's assets?		No
6	Did the organization have members or stockholders?		No
7a	Did the organization have members, stockholders, or other persons who had the power to elect or appoint one or more members of the governing body?		No
7b	Are any governance decisions of the organization reserved to (or subject to approval by) members, stockholders, or persons other than the governing body?		No
8	Did the organization contemporaneously document the meetings held or written actions undertaken during the year by the following:		
a	The governing body?	Yes	
b	Each committee with authority to act on behalf of the governing body?	Yes	
9	Is there any officer, director, trustee, or key employee listed in Part VII, Section A, who cannot be reached at the organization's mailing address? If "Yes," provide the names and addresses in Schedule O		No

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

		Yes	No
10a	Did the organization have local chapters, branches, or affiliates?		No
b	If "Yes," did the organization have written policies and procedures governing the activities of such chapters, affiliates, and branches to ensure their operations are consistent with the organization's exempt purposes?		
11a	Has the organization provided a complete copy of this Form 990 to all members of its governing body before filing the form?	Yes	
b	Describe on Schedule O the process, if any, used by the organization to review this Form 990.		
12a	Did the organization have a written conflict of interest policy? If "No," go to line 13	Yes	
b	Were officers, directors, or trustees, and key employees required to disclose annually interests that could give rise to conflicts?	Yes	
c	Did the organization regularly and consistently monitor and enforce compliance with the policy? If "Yes," describe on Schedule O how this was done	Yes	
13	Did the organization have a written whistleblower policy?	Yes	
14	Did the organization have a written document retention and destruction policy?	Yes	
15	Did the process for determining compensation of the following persons include a review and approval by independent persons, comparability data, and contemporaneous substantiation of the deliberation and decision?		
a	The organization's CEO, Executive Director, or top management official	Yes	
b	Other officers or key employees of the organization	Yes	

If "Yes" to line 15a or 15b, describe the process on Schedule O. See instructions.

16a Did the organization invest in, contribute assets to, or participate in a joint venture or similar arrangement with a taxable entity during the year?	16a	No
b If "Yes," did the organization follow a written policy or procedure requiring the organization to evaluate its participation in joint venture arrangements under applicable federal tax law, and take steps to safeguard the organization's exempt status with respect to such arrangements?	16b	

Section C. Disclosure

- 17** List the states with which a copy of this Form 990 is required to be filed
 AL, AK, AR, CA, CO, CT, DC, FL, GA, HI, IL, KS, KY, LA, ME, MD, MA, MI, MN, MS, NV, NH, NJ, NM, NY, NC, ND, OH, OK, OR, PA, RI, SC, TN, TX, UT, VA, WV, WI, WA
- 18** Section 6104 requires an organization to make its Form 1023 (1024 or 1024-A, if applicable), 990, and 990-T (section 501(c)(3)s only) available for public inspection. Indicate how you made these available. Check all that apply.
 Own website Another's website Upon request Other (explain in Schedule O)
- 19** Describe in Schedule O whether (and if so, how) the organization made its governing documents, conflict of interest policy, and financial statements available to the public during the tax year.
- 20** State the name, address, and telephone number of the person who possesses the organization's books and records:
 AUTUMN SMOOT 1141 SOUTH 7TH STREET SAINT LOUIS, MO 63104 (314) 588-8805

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

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

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

- 1a** Complete this table for all persons required to be listed. Report compensation for the calendar year ending with or within the organization's tax year.
- List all of the organization's **current** officers, directors, trustees (whether individuals or organizations), regardless of amount of compensation. Enter -0- in columns (D), (E), and (F) if no compensation was paid.
 - List all of the organization's **current** key employees, if any. See the instructions for definition of "key employee."
 - List the organization's five **current** highest compensated employees (other than an officer, director, trustee or key employee) who received reportable compensation (box 5 of Form W-2, box 6 of Form 1099-MISC, and/or box 1 of Form 1099-NEC) of more than \$100,000 from the organization and any related organizations.
 - List all of the organization's **former** officers, key employees, or highest compensated employees who received more than \$100,000 of reportable compensation from the organization and any related organizations.
 - List all of the organization's **former directors or trustees** that received, in the capacity as a former director or trustee of the organization, more than \$10,000 of reportable compensation from the organization and any related organizations.
- See the instructions for the order in which to list the persons above.

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

(A) Name and title	(B) Average hours per week (list any hours for related organizations below dotted line)	(C) Position (do not check more than one box, unless person is both an officer and a director/trustee)					(D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W-2/1099-MISC/1099-NEC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W-2/1099-MISC/1099-NEC)	(F) Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations
		Individual trustee or director	Institutional Trustee;	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee			
(1) LEN KORTEKAAS BOARD CHAIR	5.00	X		X			0	0	0
(2) ELIZABETH YOUNG-MCNALLY VICE CHAIR/TREASURER/FC CHAIR	5.00	X		X			0	0	0
(3) SALLY CHAN DIRECTOR	5.00	X					0	0	0
(4) RAJIV CHANDRASEKARAN DIRECTOR	5.00	X					0	0	0
(5) JOHN CULVER DIRECTOR	5.00	X					0	0	0
(6) CATHERINE GONZALEZ-PACK	5.00	X					0	0	0

DIRECTOR										
(7) FREDERICK HUMPHRIES DIRECTOR	5.00	X						0	0	0
(8) BERND PETERS DIRECTOR	5.00	X						0	0	0
(9) ANTHONY MARTINEZ DIRECTOR	5.00	X						0	0	0
(10) WILLIAM MCRAVEN DIRECTOR (THRU 09/23)	5.00	X						0	0	0
(11) MEGHAN O'SULLIVAN DIRECTOR	5.00	X						0	0	0
(12) MARY BETH BRUGGEMAN PRESIDENT	40.00	X		X				247,779	0	9,824
(13) AUTUMN SMOOT CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER	40.00			X				220,170	0	26,022
(14) JAMES GILLEN CHIEF DEV & MKTG OFFICER	40.00			X				217,581	0	18,462
(15) SUSAN THAXTON CHIEF STRATEGY OFFICER	40.00			X				216,781	0	27,392
(16) LA COSTA MOORE CHIEF PEOPLE OFFICER	40.00			X				216,695	0	10,160
(17) MEREDITH DANCHE VP, DEVELOPMENT & BOARD LIASON	40.00					X		171,122	0	8,630

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

(A) Name and title	(B) Average hours per week (list any hours for related organizations below dotted line)	(C) Position (do not check more than one box, unless person is both an officer and a director/trustee)						(D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W-2/1099-MISC/1099-NEC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W-2/1099-MISC/1099-NEC)	(F) Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations
		Individual trustee or director	Institutional Trustee;	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former			
(18) HEATHER MCCARTY VP, PROGRAMS	40.00					X		144,758	0	17,950
(19) JULIAN SERRANO SENIOR DIRECTOR, TECHNOLOGY	40.00					X		132,805	0	15,812
(20) KEITH THOMAS SR. DIR., MARKETING & COMMUNICATION	40.00					X		131,977	0	947
(21) GLORIA KING DIR. NATIONAL EVENTS	40.00					X		125,521	0	8,625

Program Service Revenue					
f All other program service revenue.					
9 Total. Add lines 2a-2f.					
3 Investment income (including dividends, interest, and other similar amounts)			527,102		527,102
4 Income from investment of tax-exempt bond proceeds					
5 Royalties					
Other Revenue	6a Gross rents	(i) Real	(ii) Personal		
	6a				
	b Less: rental expenses	6b			
	c Rental income or (loss)	6c			
	d Net rental income or (loss)				
	7a Gross amount from sales of assets other than inventory	(i) Securities	(ii) Other		
	7a	6,005,681			
	b Less: cost or other basis and sales expenses	7b	5,998,668		
	c Gain or (loss)	7c	7,013		
	d Net gain or (loss)		7,013		7,013
a Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ _____ of contributions reported on line 1c). See Part IV, line 18	8a				
b Less: direct expenses	8b				
c Net income or (loss) from fundraising events					
9a Gross income from gaming activities. See Part IV, line 19	9a				
b Less: direct expenses	9b				
c Net income or (loss) from gaming activities					
10a Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances	10a				
b Less: cost of goods sold	10b				
c Net income or (loss) from sales of inventory					
11a MISCELLANEOUS	Business Code	900099	32,807		32,807
b					
d All other revenue					
e Total. Add lines 11a-11d			32,807		
12 Total revenue. See instructions			10,758,597	0	0

Part IX Statement of Functional Expenses

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

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

Do not include amounts reported on lines 6b, 7b, 8b, 9b, and 10b of Part VIII.	(A) Total expenses	(B) Program service expenses	(C) Management and general expenses	(D) Fundraising expenses
1 Grants and other assistance to domestic organizations and domestic governments. See Part IV, line 21				
2 Grants and other assistance to domestic individuals. See Part IV, line 22	221,200	221,200		
3 Grants and other assistance to foreign organizations, foreign governments, and foreign individuals. See Part IV, lines 15 and 16.				
4 Benefits paid to or for members				
5 Compensation of current officers, directors, trustees, and key employees	1,210,867	665,613	376,852	168,402
6 Compensation not included above, to disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)) and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B)				
7 Other salaries and wages	4,470,487	2,992,528	734,356	743,603
8 Pension plan accruals and contributions (include section 401(k) and 403(b) employer contributions)	52,950	34,312	7,324	11,314
9 Other employee benefits	523,794	316,717	131,855	75,222
10 Payroll taxes	419,840	273,475	78,988	67,377
11 Fees for services (non-employees):				
a Management				
b Legal				
c Accounting	106,451		106,451	
d Lobbying				
e Professional fundraising services. See Part IV, line 17				
f Investment management fees				
g Other (If line 11g amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A) amount, list line 11g expenses on Schedule O)	561,333	467,414	82,518	11,401
12 Advertising and promotion	581,049	470,594	652	109,803
13 Office expenses	160,641	29,158	101,591	29,892
14 Information technology	573,257	331,094	207,903	34,260
15 Royalties				
16 Occupancy	195,543	110,222	85,321	
17 Travel	1,202,891	1,130,918	41,345	30,628
18 Payments of travel or entertainment expenses for any federal, state, or local public officials				
19 Conferences, conventions, and meetings	533,167	501,266	18,326	13,575
20 Interest				
21 Payments to affiliates				
22 Depreciation, depletion, and amortization	775	775		
23 Insurance	81,609		81,609	
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 PROJECT SUPPLIES	578,935	578,935		
b VOLUNTEER & STAFF RECOG	71,809	16,291	52,871	2,647
c				
d				
e All other expenses				
25 Total functional expenses. Add lines 1 through 24e	11,546,598	8,140,512	2,107,962	1,298,124
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

if following SOP 98-2 (ASC 958-720).

Part X Balance Sheet

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

		(A) Beginning of year		(B) End of year
Assets	1 Cash—non-interest-bearing	54,314	1	189,196
	2 Savings and temporary cash investments	2,162,792	2	1,808,991
	3 Pledges and grants receivable, net	3,281,216	3	6,004,408
	4 Accounts receivable, net		4	
	5 Loans and other receivables from any current or former officer, director, trustee, key employee, creator or founder, substantial contributor, or 35% controlled entity or family member of any of these persons		5	
	6 Loans and other receivables from other disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)), and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B)		6	
	7 Notes and loans receivable, net		7	
	8 Inventories for sale or use		8	
	9 Prepaid expenses and deferred charges	205,664	9	127,262
	10a Land, buildings, and equipment: cost or other basis. Complete Part VI of Schedule D	10a 442,320		
	b Less: accumulated depreciation	10b 442,320	775	10c 0
	11 Investments—publicly traded securities	11,945,548	11	8,618,018
	12 Investments—other securities. See Part IV, line 11		12	
	13 Investments—program-related. See Part IV, line 11		13	
	14 Intangible assets		14	
	15 Other assets. See Part IV, line 11	195,740	15	75,893
16 Total assets. Add lines 1 through 15 (must equal line 33)	17,846,049	16	16,823,768	
Liabilities	17 Accounts payable and accrued expenses	724,928	17	542,080
	18 Grants payable		18	
	19 Deferred revenue		19	
	20 Tax-exempt bond liabilities		20	
	21 Escrow or custodial account liability. Complete Part IV of Schedule D		21	
	22 Loans and other payables to any current or former officer, director, trustee, key employee, creator or founder, substantial contributor, or 35% controlled entity or family member of any of these persons		22	
	23 Secured mortgages and notes payable to unrelated third parties		23	
	24 Unsecured notes and loans payable to unrelated third parties		24	
	25 Other liabilities (including federal income tax, payables to related third parties, and other liabilities not included on lines 17 - 24). Complete Part X of Schedule D	133,798	25	53,915
	26 Total liabilities. Add lines 17 through 25	858,726	26	595,995
Net Assets or Fund Balances	Organizations that follow FASB ASC 958, check here <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 27, 28, 32, and 33.			
	27 Net assets without donor restrictions	10,980,145	27	9,789,210
	28 Net assets with donor restrictions	6,007,178	28	6,438,563
	Organizations that do not follow FASB ASC 958, check here <input type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 29 through 33.			
	29 Capital stock or trust principal, or current funds		29	
	30 Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, building or equipment fund		30	
	31 Retained earnings, endowment, accumulated income, or other funds		31	
32 Total net assets or fund balances	16,987,323	32	16,227,773	
33 Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances	17,846,049	33	16,823,768	

Part XI Reconciliation of Net Assets

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

Table with 10 rows for reconciliation of net assets. Line 1: Total revenue (10,758,597); Line 2: Total expenses (11,546,598); Line 3: Revenue less expenses (-788,001); Line 4: Net assets at beginning (16,987,323); Line 5: Net unrealized gains (28,451); Line 6: Donated services; Line 7: Investment expenses; Line 8: Prior period adjustments; Line 9: Other changes (0); Line 10: Net assets at end of year (16,227,773).

Part XII Financial Statements and Reporting

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

Table with 3 columns: Question, Yes, No. Row 1: Accounting method (Accrual checked). Row 2a: Financial statements compiled (No). Row 2b: Financial statements audited (Yes). Row 2c: Committee oversight (Yes). Row 3a: Federal award audit (No). Row 3b: Required audit (No).

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SCHEDULE A (Form 990)

Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service

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

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Table with 2 columns: Name of the organization (THE MISSION CONTINUES) and Employer identification number (20-8742553)

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

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

- 1 A church, convention of churches, or association of churches described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(i).
2 A school described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii).
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).
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).
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).
8 A community trust described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi).
9 An agricultural research organization described in 170(b)(1)(A)(ix) operated in conjunction with a land-grant college or university or a non-land grant college of agriculture.
10 An organization that normally receives: (1) more than 33 1/3% of its support from contributions, membership fees, and gross receipts from activities related to its exempt functions...
11 An organization organized and operated exclusively to test for public safety.
12 An organization organized and operated exclusively for the benefit of, to perform the functions of, or to carry out the purposes of one or more publicly supported organizations...
a Type I. A supporting organization operated, supervised, or controlled by its supported organization(s)...
b Type II. A supporting organization supervised or controlled in connection with its supported organization(s)...
c Type III functionally integrated. A supporting organization operated in connection with, and functionally integrated with, its supported organization(s)...
d Type III non-functionally integrated. A supporting organization operated in connection with its supported organization(s) that is not functionally integrated...
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).

Table with 6 columns: (i) Name of supported organization, (ii) EIN, (iii) Type of organization, (iv) Is the organization listed in your governing document?, (v) Amount of monetary support, (vi) Amount of other support. Includes a Total row.

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

Section A. Public Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ▶	(a) 2019	(b) 2020	(c) 2021	(d) 2022	(e) 2023	(f) Total
1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received. (Do not include any "unusual grant.")	7,740,524	11,269,044	11,049,933	18,415,737	10,200,621	58,675,859
2 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf						
3 The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge.. . . .						
4 Total. Add lines 1 through 3	7,740,524	11,269,044	11,049,933	18,415,737	10,200,621	58,675,859
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)						15,996,048
6 Public support. Subtract line 5 from line 4.						42,679,811

Section B. Total Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ▶	(a) 2019	(b) 2020	(c) 2021	(d) 2022	(e) 2023	(f) Total
7 Amounts from line 4.	7,740,524	11,269,044	11,049,933	18,415,737	10,200,621	58,675,859
8 Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources.	98,857	60,012	20,975	165,971	527,102	872,917
9 Net income from unrelated business activities, whether or not the business is regularly carried on.						
10 Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part VI.)	73,151	38,352	22,986	13,758	32,807	181,054
11 Total support. Add lines 7 through 10						59,729,830
12 Gross receipts from related activities, etc. (see instructions)					12	
13 First 5 years. If the Form 990 is for the organization's first, second, third, fourth, or fifth tax year as a section 501(c)(3) organization, check this box and stop here						<input type="checkbox"/>

Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage

14 Public support percentage for 2023 (line 6, column (f) divided by line 11, column (f))	14	71.450 %
15 Public support percentage for 2022 Schedule A, Part II, line 14	15	81.200 %
16a 33 1/3% support test—2023. If the organization did not check the box on line 13, and line 14 is 33 1/3% or more, check this box and stop here. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
b 33 1/3% support test—2022. If the organization did not check a box on line 13 or 16a, and line 15 is 33 1/3% or more, check this box and stop here. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization		<input type="checkbox"/>
17a 10%-facts-and-circumstances test—2023. If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, or 16b, and line 14 is 10% or more, and if the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test, check this box and stop here. Explain in Part VI how the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization		<input type="checkbox"/>
b 10%-facts-and-circumstances test—2022. If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, 16b, or 17a, and line 15 is 10% or more, and if the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test, check this box and stop here. Explain in Part VI how the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization		<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"/>

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

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

Section A. Public Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ▶	(a) 2019	(b) 2020	(c) 2021	(d) 2022	(e) 2023	(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 received 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) 2019	(b) 2020	(c) 2021	(d) 2022	(e) 2023	(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 on 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 5 years. If the Form 990 is for the organization's first, second, third, fourth, or fifth tax year as a section 501(c)(3) organization, check this box and stop here. ▶ <input type="checkbox"/>						

Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage

15 Public support percentage for 2023 (line 8, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f))	15	
16 Public support percentage from 2022 Schedule A, Part III, line 15	16	

Section D. Computation of Investment Income Percentage

17 Investment income percentage for 2023 (line 10c, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f))	17	
18 Investment income percentage from 2022 Schedule A, Part III, line 17	18	

- 19a** **33 1/3% support tests-2023.** 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-2022.** 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 ▶

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Part IV Supporting Organizations

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

Section A. All Supporting Organizations

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

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Part IV Supporting Organizations (continued)

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

Section B. Type I Supporting Organizations

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

Section C. Type II Supporting Organizations

	Yes	No

1 Were a majority of the organization's directors or trustees during the tax year also a majority of the directors or trustees of each of the organization's supported organization(s)? <i>If "No," describe in Part VI how control or management of the supporting organization was vested in the same persons that controlled or managed the supported organization(s).</i>	1		
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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 line 2 above, did the organization's supported organizations have a significant voice in the organization's investment policies and in directing the use of the organization's income or assets at all times during the tax year? <i>If "Yes," describe in Part VI the role the organization's supported organizations played in this regard.</i>	3		

Section E. Type III Functionally-Integrated Supporting Organizations

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

a The organization satisfied the Activities Test. Complete **line 2** below.

b The organization is the parent of each of its supported organizations. Complete **line 3** below.

c The organization supported a governmental entity. Describe in **Part VI** how you supported a government entity (see instructions)

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

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

3 Parent of Supported Organizations. **Answer lines 3a and 3b 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>If "Yes" or "No," 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 (*explain in **Part VI***). **See instructions.** All other Type III non-functionally integrated supporting organizations must complete Sections A through E.

Section A - Adjusted Net Income		(A) Prior Year	(B) Current Year (optional)
1 Net short-term capital gain	1		
2 Recoveries of prior-year distributions	2		
3 Other gross income (see instructions)	3		
4 Add lines 1 through 3	4		
5 Depreciation and depletion	5		
6 Portion of operating expenses paid or incurred for production or collection of gross income or for management, conservation, or maintenance of property held for production of income (see instructions)	6		
7 Other expenses (see instructions)	7		
8 Adjusted Net Income (subtract lines 5, 6 and 7 from line 4)	8		
Section B - Minimum Asset Amount		(A) Prior Year	(B) Current Year (optional)
1 Aggregate fair market value of all non-exempt-use assets (see instructions for short tax year or assets held for part of year):	1		
a Average monthly value of securities	1a		
b Average monthly cash balances	1b		
c Fair market value of other non-exempt-use assets	1c		
d Total (add lines 1a, 1b, and 1c)	1d		

e Discount claimed for blockage or other factors (<i>explain in detail in Part VI</i>):			
2 Acquisition indebtedness applicable to non-exempt use assets	2		
3 Subtract line 2 from line 1d	3		
4 Cash deemed held for exempt use. Enter 0.015 of line 3 (for greater amount, see instructions).	4		
5 Net value of non-exempt-use assets (subtract line 4 from line 3)	5		
6 Multiply line 5 by 0.035	6		
7 Recoveries of prior-year distributions	7		
8 Minimum Asset Amount (add line 7 to line 6)	8		
Section C - Distributable Amount			Current Year
1 Adjusted net income for prior year (from Section A, line 8, Column A)	1		
2 Enter 85% of line 1	2		
3 Minimum asset amount for prior year (from Section B, line 8, Column A)	3		
4 Enter greater of line 2 or line 3	4		
5 Income tax imposed in prior year	5		
6 Distributable Amount. Subtract line 5 from line 4, unless subject to emergency temporary reduction (see instructions)	6		
7 <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	1		
2 Amounts paid to perform activity that directly furthers exempt purposes of supported organizations, in excess of income from activity	2		
3 Administrative expenses paid to accomplish exempt purposes of supported organizations	3		
4 Amounts paid to acquire exempt-use assets	4		
5 Qualified set-aside amounts (<i>prior IRS approval required - provide details in Part VI</i>)	5		
6 Other distributions (<i>describe in Part VI</i>). See instructions	6		
7 Total annual distributions. Add lines 1 through 6.	7		
8 Distributions to attentive supported organizations to which the organization is responsive (<i>provide details in Part VI</i>). See instructions	8		
9 Distributable amount for 2023 from Section C, line 6	9		
10 Line 8 amount divided by Line 9 amount	10		
Section E - Distribution Allocations (see instructions)	(i) Excess Distributions	(ii) Underdistributions Pre-2023	(iii) Distributable Amount for 2023
1 Distributable amount for 2023 from Section C, line 6			
2 Underdistributions, if any, for years prior to 2023 (reasonable cause required-- <i>explain in Part VI</i>). See instructions.			
3 Excess distributions carryover, if any, to 2023:			
a From 2018.			
b From 2019.			
c From 2020.			
d From 2021.			
e From 2022.			
f Total of lines 3a through e			
g Applied to underdistributions of prior years			
h Applied to 2023 distributable amount			
i Carryover from 2018 not applied (see instructions)			
j Remainder. Subtract lines 3g, 3h, and 3i from line 3f.			
4 Distributions for 2023 from Section D, line 7: \$			
a Applied to underdistributions of prior years			

b Applied to 2023 distributable amount			
c Remainder. Subtract lines 4a and 4b from line 4.			
5 Remaining underdistributions for years prior to 2023, if any. Subtract lines 3g and 4a from line 2. If the amount is greater than zero, <i>explain in Part VI</i> . See instructions.			
6 Remaining underdistributions for 2023. Subtract lines 3h and 4b from line 1. If the amount is greater than zero, <i>explain in Part VI</i> . See instructions.			
7 Excess distributions carryover to 2024. Add lines 3j and 4c.			
8 Breakdown of line 7:			
a Excess from 2019.			
b Excess from 2020.			
c Excess from 2021.			
d Excess from 2022.			
e Excess from 2023.			

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

Facts And Circumstances Test

Return Reference	Explanation
SCHEDULE A, PART II, LINE 10, EXPLANATION OF OTHER INCOME:	REFUNDS AND OTHER INCOME - 2019 AMOUNT: \$ 73,151. 2020 AMOUNT: \$ 38,352. 2021 AMOUNT: \$ 22,986. 2022 AMOUNT: \$ 13,758. 2023 AMOUNT: \$ 32,807.

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Schedule of Contributors

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Name of the organization THE MISSION CONTINUES

Employer identification number 20-8742553

Organization type (check one):

Filers of:

Section:

Form 990 or 990-EZ

- 501(c)() (enter number) organization
4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust not treated as a private foundation
527 political organization

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- 501(c)(3) exempt private foundation
4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust treated as a private foundation
501(c)(3) taxable private foundation

Check if your organization is covered by the General Rule or a Special Rule.

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

General Rule

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

Special Rules

- For an organization described in section 501(c)(3) filing Form 990 or 990-EZ that met the 33 1/3% support test of the regulations under sections 509(a)(1) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi), that checked Schedule A (Form 990 or 990-EZ), Part II, line 13, 16a, or 16b, and that received from any one contributor, during the year, total contributions of the greater of (1) \$5,000 or (2) 2% of the amount on (i) Form 990, Part VIII, line 1h, or (ii) Form 990-EZ, line 1. Complete Parts I and II.
For an organization described in section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) filing Form 990 or 990-EZ that received from any one contributor, during the year, total contributions of more than \$1,000 exclusively for religious, charitable, scientific, literary, or educational purposes, or for the prevention of cruelty to children or animals. Complete Parts I, II, and III.
For an organization described in section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) filing Form 990 or 990-EZ that received from any one contributor, during the year, contributions exclusively for religious, charitable, etc., purposes, but no such contributions totaled more than \$1,000. If this box is checked, enter here the total contributions that were received during the year for an exclusively religious, charitable, etc., purpose. Don't complete any of the parts unless the General Rule applies to this organization because it received nonexclusively religious, charitable, etc., contributions totaling \$5,000 or more during the year \$

Caution: An organization that isn't covered by the General Rule and/or the Special Rules doesn't file Schedule B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF), but it must answer "No" on Part IV, line 2, of its Form 990; or check the box on line H of its Form 990-EZ or on its Form 990PF, Part I, line 2, to certify that it doesn't meet the filing requirements of Schedule B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF).

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Part I

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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SCHEDULE D (Form 990)

Supplemental Financial Statements

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Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service

Complete if the organization answered "Yes," on Form 990, Part IV, line 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11a, 11b, 11c, 11d, 11e, 11f, 12a, or 12b. Attach to Form 990. Go to www.irs.gov/Form990 for instructions and the latest information.

Table with 2 columns: Name of the organization (THE MISSION CONTINUES), Employer identification number (20-8742553)

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 3 columns: Question number, (a) Donor advised funds, (b) Funds and other accounts. Includes questions 1-6 regarding donor advised funds.

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

Table with 3 columns: Question number, Description, and Yes/No options. Includes questions 1-9 regarding 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 3 columns: Question number, Description, and Amount/Yes/No options. Includes questions 1a-2 regarding collections of art and historical treasures.

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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:
Table with columns: Amount, 1c Beginning balance, 1d Additions during the year, 1e Distributions during the year, 1f Ending balance
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 in Part XIII

Part V Endowment Funds.

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

Table with 6 columns: (a) Current year, (b) Prior year, (c) Two years back, (d) Three years back, (e) Four years back. Rows include: 1a Beginning of year balance, b Contributions, c Net investment earnings, gains, and losses, d Grants or scholarships, e Other expenditures for facilities and programs, f Administrative expenses, g End of year balance.

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

- a Board designated or quasi-endowment
b Permanent endowment
c Term 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:

- (i) Unrelated organizations
(ii) Related organizations

Table with 2 columns: Yes, No. Rows: 3a(i), 3a(ii), 3b

b If "Yes" on 3a(ii), are the related organizations listed as required on Schedule R?

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

Part VI Land, Buildings, and Equipment.

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

Table with 4 columns: (a) Cost or other basis (investment), (b) Cost or other basis (other), (c) Accumulated depreciation, (d) Book value. Rows include: 1a Land, b Buildings, c Leasehold improvements, d Equipment, e Other, Total. Add lines 1a through 1e. (Column (d) must equal Form 990, Part X, column (B), line 10(c).)

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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	

EXPIRING STATUTES OF LIMITATIONS, AUDITS, PROPOSED SETTLEMENTS, CHANGES IN TAX LAW, AND NEW AUTHORITATIVE RULINGS AND BELIEVES THAT NO PROVISION FOR INCOME TAXES IS NECESSARY, AT THIS TIME, TO COVER ANY UNCERTAIN TAX POSITIONS.

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Schedule I (Form 990)

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

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Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service

Name of the organization THE MISSION CONTINUES

Complete if the organization answered "Yes," on Form 990, Part IV, line 21 or 22. Attach to Form 990. Go to www.irs.gov/Form990 for the latest information.

Employer identification number 20-8742553

Part I General Information on Grants and Assistance

- 1 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?
2 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.

Table with 8 columns: (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 noncash assistance, (h) Purpose of grant or assistance. Rows 1-12.

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

Table with 6 columns: (a) Type of grant or assistance, (b) Number of recipients, (c) Amount of cash grant, (d) Amount of noncash assistance, (e) Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other), (f) Description of noncash assistance. Row 1: (1) SERVICE PLATOONS: PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT & COMMUNITY PROJECTS, 69, 221,200.

Part IV Supplemental Information. Provide the information required in Part I, line 2; Part III, column (b); and any other additional information.

Table with 2 columns: Return Reference, Explanation. Row 1: PART I, LINE 2: SERVICE PLATOONS ARE TEAMS OF VETERANS, ACTIVE DUTY SERVICE MEMBERS, GUARDSMEN AND RESERVISTS THAT MOBILIZE TOGETHER TO SOLVE A SPECIFIC CHALLENGE IN THEIR COMMUNITY.

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Schedule J (Form 990) Compensation Information 2023 Open to Public Inspection

Name of the organization THE MISSION CONTINUES Employer identification number 20-8742553

Part I Questions Regarding Compensation

Table with 3 columns: Question, Yes, No. Contains questions 1a through 9 regarding compensation reporting.

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

For each individual whose compensation must be reported on Schedule J, report compensation from the organization on row (i) and from related organizations, described in the instructions, on row (ii). Do not list any individuals that are not listed on Form 990, Part VII. Note. The sum of columns (B)(i)-(iii) for each listed individual must equal the total amount of Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, applicable column (D) and (E) amounts for that individual.

Table with 7 columns: (A) Name and Title, (B) Breakdown of W-2, 1099-MISC compensation, (C) Retirement and other deferred compensation, (D) Nontaxable benefits, (E) Total of columns (B)(i)-(D), (F) Compensation in column (B) reported as deferred on prior Form 990. Lists individuals like MARY BETH BRUGGEMAN, AUTUMN SMOOT, SUSAN THAXTON, and JAMES GILLEN.

5 LA COSTA MOORE
CHIEF PEOPLE OFFICER

(i)	216,695	0	0	8,717	1,443	226,855	0
(ii)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

6 MEREDITH DARCHE
VP, DEVELOPMENT & BOARD LIASON

(i)	171,122	0	0	0	8,630	179,752	0
(ii)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

7 HEATHER MCCARTY
VP, PROGRAMS

(i)	144,758	0	0	5,953	11,997	162,708	0
(ii)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

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Part III Supplemental Information

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

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PART I, LINE 3	THE PROCESS FOR DETERMINING COMPENSATION OF THE ORGANIZATION'S PRESIDENT INCLUDED A REVIEW AND APPROVAL BY INDEPENDENT PERSONS, COMPARABILITY DATA FROM VARIOUS NATIONAL VETERANS ORGANIZATIONS, OTHER MIDWEST SOCIAL SERVICE ORGANIZATIONS, AND THE PRESIDENT'S SALARY HISTORY, AND CONTEMPORANEOUS SUBSTANTIATION OF THE DELIBERATION AND DECISION. THE ORGANIZATION ALSO UTILIZED THE SERVICES OF AN INDEPENDENT COMPENSATION CONSULTANT TO REVIEW THE OVERALL ORGANIZATION AND PROVIDE SALARY BANDS AND BENCHMARKING FOR COMPENSATION.

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Noncash Contributions

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

Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service

Name of the organization THE MISSION CONTINUES

Employer identification number 20-8742553

Part I Types of Property

Table with 4 columns: (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. Rows include Art, Books, Cars, Securities, Real estate, etc.

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 0

Table with 3 columns: Question (30a, 31, 32a, 33), Yes, No. Contains questions about property holding periods, gift acceptance policies, and solicitation.

is reporting in Part I, column (b), the number of contributions, the number of items received, or a combination of both. Also complete this part for any additional information.

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PART I, COLUMN (B):	THE ORGANIZATION IS REPORTING THE NUMBER OF CONTRIBUTORS.

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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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FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION B, LINE 11B	A COPY OF THE FORM 990 IS INITIALLY REVIEWED AND APPROVED BY THE FINANCE COMMITTEE. A COPY IS THEN MADE AVAILABLE TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS PRIOR TO FILING WITH THE IRS.
FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION B, LINE 12C	THE ORGANIZATION CONDUCTS PERIODIC REVIEWS, SOMETIMES WITH THE HELP OF OUTSIDE ADVISORS, TO ENSURE IT IS CONSISTENT IN MONITORING AND ENFORCING COMPLIANCE WITH THE CONFLICT OF INTEREST POLICY. VIOLATIONS OF THE CONFLICT OF INTEREST POLICY ARE INVESTIGATED BY THE GOVERNING BOARD AND, IF NECESSARY, APPROPRIATE DISCIPLINARY AND CORRECTIVE ACTION IS TAKEN.
FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION B, LINE 15	THE PROCESS FOR DETERMINING COMPENSATION OF THE ORGANIZATION'S PRESIDENT INCLUDED A REVIEW AND APPROVAL BY INDEPENDENT PERSONS, COMPARABILITY DATA FROM VARIOUS NATIONAL VETERANS ORGANIZATIONS, OTHER MIDWEST SOCIAL SERVICE ORGANIZATIONS, AND THE PRESIDENT'S SALARY HISTORY, AND CONTEMPORANEOUS SUBSTANTIATION OF THE DELIBERATION AND DECISION. FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION B, LINE 15B: THE PROCESS FOR DETERMINING COMPENSATION OF THE ORGANIZATION'S OFFICERS AND POTENTIAL KEY EMPLOYEES INCLUDES REVIEW AND APPROVAL BY MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS, COMPARABILITY DATA FROM VARIOUS NATIONAL VETERANS ORGANIZATIONS AND OTHER MIDWEST SOCIAL SERVICE ORGANIZATIONS, SALARY HISTORY, AND CONTEMPORANEOUS SUBSTANTIATION OF THE DELIBERATION AND DECISION.
FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION C, LINE 19	THE ORGANIZATION MAKES ITS ANNUAL REPORT, AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND FORM 990 AVAILABLE ON ITS WEBSITE. THE ORGANIZATION MAKES ITS GOVERNING DOCUMENTS AND CONFLICT OF INTEREST POLICY AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC UPON REQUEST.

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