

## Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

OMB No. 1545-0047

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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2024

Open to Public  
Inspection

A For the 2024 calendar year, or tax year beginning January 01, 2024, and ending December 31, 2024

B Check if applicable:

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

C Name of organization MINNESOTA LAKES AND RIVERS ADVOCATES

Doing business as

Number and street (or P.O. box if mail is not delivered to street address)

PO BOX 22262,

Room/suite

City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code

SAINT PAUL, MN 55122

F Name and address of principal officer: Jeffery Forester

PO BOX 22262, SAINT PAUL, MN 55122

D Employer identification number  
41-1761357

E Telephone number

(952) 854-1371

G Gross receipts \$ 488,205

H(a) Is this a group return for subordinates? ☐ Yes ☒ NoH(b) Are all subordinates included? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If "No," attach a list. See instructions.

H(c) Group exemption number

I Tax-exempt status: ☐ 501(c)(3) ☒ 501(c) ( 4 ) (insert no.) ☐ 4947(a)(1) or ☐ 527J Website: [mnlakesandrivers.org](http://mnlakesandrivers.org)K Form of organization: ☒ Corporation ☐ Trust ☐ Association ☐ Other

L Year of formation: 1993

M State of legal domicile: MN

## Part I Summary

Activities & Governance	1	Briefly describe the organization's mission or most significant activities:		
		To protect Minnesota's lake and river heritage for current and future generations by forging powerful links between lakes, lake advocates and policy makers.		
	2	Check this box <input type="checkbox"/> if the organization discontinued its operations or disposed of more than 25% of its net assets.		
	3	Number of voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1a)	3	6
	4	Number of independent voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1b)	4	6
	5	Total number of individuals employed in calendar year 2024 (Part V, line 2a)	5	5
	6	Total number of volunteers (estimate if necessary)	6	100
	7a	Total unrelated business revenue from Part VIII, column (C), line 12	7a	0
	b	Net unrelated business taxable income from Form 990-T, Part I, line 11	7b	
Revenue	8	Contributions and grants (Part VIII, line 1h)	Prior Year	Current Year
			378,469	441,328
	9	Program service revenue (Part VIII, line 2g)	0	0
	10	Investment income (Part VIII, column (A), lines 3, 4, and 7d)	93	152
	11	Other revenue (Part VIII, column (A), lines 5, 6d, 8c, 9c, 10c, and 11e)	14,012	46,725
	12	Total revenue—add lines 8 through 11 (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	392,574	488,205
Expenses	13	Grants and similar amounts paid (Part IX, column (A), lines 1–3)	72,065	81,802
	14	Benefits paid to or for members (Part IX, column (A), line 4)	0	0
	15	Salaries, other compensation, employee benefits (Part IX, column (A), lines 5–10)	152,392	174,100
	16a	Professional fundraising fees (Part IX, column (A), line 11e)	0	30,660
	b	Total fundraising expenses (Part IX, column (D), line 25)	82,249	
	17	Other expenses (Part IX, column (A), lines 11a–11d, 11f–24e)	140,249	174,089
	18	Total expenses. Add lines 13–17 (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	364,706	460,651
	19	Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 18 from line 12	27,868	27,554
Net Assets or Fund Balances	20	Total assets (Part X, line 16)	Beginning of Current Year	End of Year
			74,929	102,435
	21	Total liabilities (Part X, line 26)	0	0
22	Net assets or fund balances. Subtract line 21 from line 20	74,929	102,435	

## 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  
HereSignature of officer  
Timothy Ward, Director of Finance

Date 09/29/2025

Type or print name and title

Paid  
Preparer  
Use Only

Print/Type preparer's name

Preparer's signature

Date

Check ☐ if  
self-employed

PTIN

Firm's name

Firm's EIN

Firm's address

Phone no.

May the IRS discuss this return with the preparer shown above? See instructions ☐ Yes ☐ No

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Form 990 (2024)

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

To protect Minnesota's lake and river heritage for current and future generations by forging powerful links between lakes, lake advocates and policy makers.

**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 \$ 108,681 including grants of \$ 1,000 ) (Revenue \$ 275,809 )

Advocacy on behalf of shoreland owners and providing education to protect Minnesota water resources

**4b** (Code: ) (Expenses \$ 166,548 including grants of \$ 168,202 ) (Revenue \$ 171,070 )

Utilizing grants from the State of Minnesota work to prevent the spread of Starry Stonewort by providing CD3 boat cleaning stations and educating the boating public about the peril that Starry Stonewort presents.

**4c** (Code: ) (Expenses \$ 33,816 including grants of \$ 0 ) (Revenue \$ 28,910 )

The Lake Steward Program is designed for Lake Association use to encourage shoreline restoration projects among its members and to education about sustainable land management as it relates to water.

**4d** Other program services (Describe on Schedule O.)

(Expenses \$ 0 including grants of \$ 0 ) (Revenue \$ 0 )

**4e** Total program service expenses 309,045

**Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules**

	Yes	No
<b>1</b> Is the organization described in section 501(c)(3) or 4947(a)(1) (other than a private foundation)? If "Yes," complete Schedule A . . . . .	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>2</b> Is the organization required to complete Schedule B, Schedule of Contributors? See instructions . . . . .	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>3</b> Did the organization engage in direct or indirect political campaign activities on behalf of or in opposition to candidates for public office? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part I . . . . .	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>4</b> <b>Section 501(c)(3) organizations.</b> Did the organization engage in lobbying activities, or have a section 501(h) election in effect during the tax year? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part II . . . . .	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>5</b> 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? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part III . . . . .	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>6</b> 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? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part I . . . . .	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>7</b> Did the organization receive or hold a conservation easement, including easements to preserve open space, the environment, historic land areas, or historic structures? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part II . . . . .	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>8</b> Did the organization maintain collections of works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part III . . . . .	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>9</b> 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? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part IV . . . . .	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>10</b> Did the organization, directly or through a related organization, hold assets in donor-restricted endowments or in quasi-endowments? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part V . . . . .	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>11</b> 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.		
<b>a</b> Did the organization report an amount for land, buildings, and equipment in Part X, line 10? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VI . . . . .	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>b</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? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VII . . . . .	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>c</b> 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? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VIII . . . . .	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>d</b> 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? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part IX . . . . .	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>e</b> Did the organization report an amount for other liabilities in Part X, line 25? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X . . . . .	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>f</b> 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)? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X . . . . .	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>12a</b> Did the organization obtain separate, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Parts XI and XII . . . . .	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>b</b> Was the organization included in consolidated, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? If "Yes," and if the organization answered "No" to line 12a, then completing Schedule D, Parts XI and XII is optional . . . . .	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>13</b> Is the organization a school described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? If "Yes," complete Schedule E . . . . .	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>14a</b> Did the organization maintain an office, employees, or agents outside of the United States? . . . . .	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>b</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? If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts I and IV . . . . .	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>15</b> 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? If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts II and IV . . . . .	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>16</b> 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? If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts III and IV . . . . .	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>17</b> 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? If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part I. See instructions . . . . .	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>18</b> Did the organization report more than \$15,000 total of fundraising event gross income and contributions on Part VIII, lines 1c and 8a? If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part II . . . . .	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>19</b> Did the organization report more than \$15,000 of gross income from gaming activities on Part VIII, line 9a? If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part III . . . . .	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>20a</b> Did the organization operate one or more hospital facilities? If "Yes," complete Schedule H . . . . .	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>b</b> If "Yes" to line 20a, did the organization attach a copy of its audited financial statements to this return? . . . . .	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>21</b> 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 . . . . .	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

**Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules** (continued)

	Yes	No
<b>22</b> 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>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>23</b> 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>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>24a</b> 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>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>b</b> Did the organization invest any proceeds of tax-exempt bonds beyond a temporary period exception?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>c</b> Did the organization maintain an escrow account other than a refunding escrow at any time during the year to defease any tax-exempt bonds?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>d</b> Did the organization act as an "on behalf of" issuer for bonds outstanding at any time during the year?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>25a</b> <b>Section 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations.</b> 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>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>b</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>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>26</b> 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>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>27</b> 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>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>28</b> 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).		
<b>a</b> A current or former officer, director, trustee, key employee, creator or founder, or substantial contributor? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>b</b> A family member of any individual described in line 28a? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>c</b> 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>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>29</b> Did the organization receive more than \$25,000 in noncash contributions? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule M</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>30</b> Did the organization receive contributions of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets, or qualified conservation contributions? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule M</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>31</b> Did the organization liquidate, terminate, or dissolve and cease operations? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part I</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>32</b> 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>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>33</b> 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>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>34</b> 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>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>35a</b> Did the organization have a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>b</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>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>36</b> <b>Section 501(c)(3) organizations.</b> Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>37</b> 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>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>38</b> Did the organization complete Schedule O and provide explanations on Schedule O for Part VI, lines 11b and 19? <b>Note:</b> All Form 990 filers are required to complete Schedule O	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

**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
<b>1a</b> Enter the number reported in box 3 of Form 1096. Enter -0- if not applicable	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>b</b> Enter the number of Forms W-2G included on line 1a. Enter -0- if not applicable	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>c</b> Did the organization comply with backup withholding rules for reportable payments to vendors and reportable gaming (gambling) winnings to prize winners?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

<b>Part V</b> Statements Regarding Other IRS Filings and Tax Compliance <i>(continued)</i>		Yes	No
<b>2a</b>	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	<b>2a</b>	<b>5</b>
<b>b</b>	If at least one is reported on line 2a, did the organization file all required federal employment tax returns?	<b>2b</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>3a</b>	Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year?	<b>3a</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>b</b>	If "Yes," has it filed a Form 990-T for this year? <i>If "No" to line 3b, provide an explanation on Schedule O</i>	<b>3b</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>4a</b>	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)?	<b>4a</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>b</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).		
<b>5a</b>	Was the organization a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction at any time during the tax year?	<b>5a</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>b</b>	Did any taxable party notify the organization that it was or is a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction?	<b>5b</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>c</b>	If "Yes" to line 5a or 5b, did the organization file Form 8886-T?	<b>5c</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>6a</b>	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?	<b>6a</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>b</b>	If "Yes," did the organization include with every solicitation an express statement that such contributions or gifts were not tax deductible?	<b>6b</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>7</b>	<b>Organizations that may receive deductible contributions under section 170(c).</b>		
<b>a</b>	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?	<b>7a</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>b</b>	If "Yes," did the organization notify the donor of the value of the goods or services provided?	<b>7b</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>c</b>	Did the organization sell, exchange, or otherwise dispose of tangible personal property for which it was required to file Form 8282?	<b>7c</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>d</b>	If "Yes," indicate the number of Forms 8282 filed during the year	<b>7d</b>	
<b>e</b>	Did the organization receive any funds, directly or indirectly, to pay premiums on a personal benefit contract?	<b>7e</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>f</b>	Did the organization, during the year, pay premiums, directly or indirectly, on a personal benefit contract?	<b>7f</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>g</b>	If the organization received a contribution of qualified intellectual property, did the organization file Form 8899 as required?	<b>7g</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>h</b>	If the organization received a contribution of cars, boats, airplanes, or other vehicles, did the organization file a Form 1098-C?	<b>7h</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>8</b>	<b>Sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds.</b> Did a donor advised fund maintained by the sponsoring organization have excess business holdings at any time during the year?	<b>8</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>9</b>	<b>Sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds.</b>		
<b>a</b>	Did the sponsoring organization make any taxable distributions under section 4966?	<b>9a</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>b</b>	Did the sponsoring organization make a distribution to a donor, donor advisor, or related person?	<b>9b</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>10</b>	<b>Section 501(c)(7) organizations.</b> Enter:		
<b>a</b>	Initiation fees and capital contributions included on Part VIII, line 12	<b>10a</b>	
<b>b</b>	Gross receipts, included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, for public use of club facilities	<b>10b</b>	
<b>11</b>	<b>Section 501(c)(12) organizations.</b> Enter:		
<b>a</b>	Gross income from members or shareholders	<b>11a</b>	
<b>b</b>	Gross income from other sources. (Do not net amounts due or paid to other sources against amounts due or received from them.)	<b>11b</b>	
<b>12a</b>	<b>Section 4947(a)(1) non-exempt charitable trusts.</b> Is the organization filing Form 990 in lieu of Form 1041?	<b>12a</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>b</b>	If "Yes," enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the year	<b>12b</b>	
<b>13</b>	<b>Section 501(c)(29) qualified nonprofit health insurance issuers.</b>		
<b>a</b>	Is the organization licensed to issue qualified health plans in more than one state? <b>Note:</b> See the instructions for additional information the organization must report on Schedule O.	<b>13a</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>b</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	<b>13b</b>	
<b>c</b>	Enter the amount of reserves on hand	<b>13c</b>	
<b>14a</b>	Did the organization receive any payments for indoor tanning services during the tax year?	<b>14a</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>b</b>	If "Yes," has it filed a Form 720 to report these payments? <i>If "No," provide an explanation on Schedule O</i>	<b>14b</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>15</b>	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.	<b>15</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>16</b>	Is the organization an educational institution subject to the section 4968 excise tax on net investment income? If "Yes," complete Form 4720, Schedule O.	<b>16</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>17</b>	<b>Section 501(c)(21) organizations.</b> 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.	<b>17</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>



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

**Section A. Governing Body and Management**

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

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

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

**Section C. Disclosure**

**17** List the states with which a copy of this Form 990 is required to be filed MN

**18** Section 6104 requires an organization to make its Forms 1023 (1024 or 1024-A, if applicable), 990, and 990-T (section 501(c)(3)s only) available for public inspection. Indicate how you made these available. Check all that apply.  
☐ Own website ☐ Another's website ☒ Upon request ☐ Other (explain on Schedule O)

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

**20** State the name, address, and telephone number of the person who possesses the organization's books and records.  
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**Part VII Compensation of Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, Highest Compensated Employees, and Independent 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, and highest compensated employees who received more than \$100,000 of reportable compensation from the organization and any related organizations.

- List all of the organization's **former directors or trustees** that received, in the capacity as a former director or trustee of the organization, more than \$10,000 of reportable compensation from the organization and any related organizations.

See 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	Former			
(1) Jeff Forester Executive Director	34 6	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	67,090	12,910	2,800
(2) Susan Henken-Thielen President	1 0	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	0	0	0
(3) Sean Kershaw Treasurer	1 0	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	0	0	0
(4) Judith Corrigan Secretary	1 0	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	0	0	0
(5) Marc Kowalski Director	1 0	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	0	0	0
(6) Jeff Heegard Director	1 0	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	0	0	0
(7) Carri Ohly-Cusack Director	2 0	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	0	0	0
(8)		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			
(9)		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			
(10)		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			
(11)		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			
(12)		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			
(13)		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			
(14)		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			

**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			
(15)		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			
(16)		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			
(17)		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			
(18)		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			
(19)		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			
(20)		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			
(21)		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			
(22)		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			
(23)		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			
(24)		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			
(25)		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			
<b>1b Subtotal</b>								67,090	12,910	2,800
<b>c Total from continuation sheets to Part VII, Section A</b>										
<b>d Total (add lines 1b and 1c)</b>								67,090	12,910	2,800

**2** Total number of individuals (including but not limited to those listed above) who received more than \$100,000 of reportable compensation from the organization **0**

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

**Section B. Independent Contractors**

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

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

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



**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
<b>Contributions, Gifts, Grants, and Other Similar Amounts</b>	<b>1a</b>	Federated campaigns . . . . .	<b>1a</b>	259,844			
	<b>b</b>	Membership dues . . . . .	<b>1b</b>				
	<b>c</b>	Fundraising events . . . . .	<b>1c</b>				
	<b>d</b>	Related organizations . . . . .	<b>1d</b>	12,264			
	<b>e</b>	Government grants (contributions)	<b>1e</b>	169,220			
	<b>f</b>	All other contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts not included above	<b>1f</b>				
	<b>g</b>	Noncash contributions included in lines 1a-1f . . . . .	<b>1g</b>	\$ 0			
	<b>h</b>	<b>Total.</b> Add lines 1a-1f . . . . .		441,328			
	<b>Program Service Revenue</b>	Business Code					
<b>2a</b>				0	0	0	0
<b>b</b>				0	0	0	0
<b>c</b>				0	0	0	0
<b>d</b>				0	0	0	0
<b>e</b>				0	0	0	0
<b>f</b>		All other program service revenue . .		0	0	0	0
<b>g</b>		<b>Total.</b> Add lines 2a-2f . . . . .		0			
<b>Other Revenue</b>		<b>3</b>	Investment income (including dividends, interest, and other similar amounts) . . . . .		152	0	0
	<b>4</b>	Income from investment of tax-exempt bond proceeds		0	0	0	0
	<b>5</b>	Royalties . . . . .		0	0	0	0
	<b>6a</b>	Gross rents . . . . .	(i) Real	(ii) Personal			
	<b>6b</b>	Less: rental expenses	0	0			
	<b>6c</b>	Rental income or (loss)	0	0			
	<b>d</b>	Net rental income or (loss) . . . . .		0			
	<b>7a</b>	Gross amount from sales of assets other than inventory	(i) Securities	(ii) Other			
	<b>7b</b>	Less: cost or other basis and sales expenses . . . . .	0	0			
	<b>7c</b>	Gain or (loss) . . . . .	0	0			
	<b>d</b>	Net gain or (loss) . . . . .		0			
	<b>8a</b>	Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ 0 of contributions reported on line 1c). See Part IV, line 18 . . . . .	<b>8a</b>	0			
	<b>8b</b>	Less: direct expenses . . . . .	0				
	<b>c</b>	Net income or (loss) from fundraising events . . . . .		0			
	<b>9a</b>	Gross income from gaming activities. See Part IV, line 19 . . . . .	<b>9a</b>	0			
	<b>9b</b>	Less: direct expenses . . . . .	0				
	<b>c</b>	Net income or (loss) from gaming activities . . . . .		0			
	<b>10a</b>	Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances . . . . .	<b>10a</b>	0			
	<b>10b</b>	Less: cost of goods sold . . . . .	0				
	<b>c</b>	Net income or (loss) from sales of inventory . . . . .		0			
<b>Miscellaneous Revenue</b>	Business Code						
	<b>11a</b>	Web Hosting		2,200	0	0	0
	<b>b</b>	Corporate Sponsorships		16,000	0	0	0
	<b>c</b>	Merchandise Sales		23,212	0	0	0
	<b>d</b>	All other revenue . . . . .		5,313	0	0	0
	<b>e</b>	<b>Total.</b> Add lines 11a-11d . . . . .		46,725			
<b>12</b>	<b>Total revenue.</b> See instructions . . . . .			488,205	0	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
<b>1</b> Grants and other assistance to domestic organizations and domestic governments. See Part IV, line 21 . . . . .	81,802	81,802		
<b>2</b> Grants and other assistance to domestic individuals. See Part IV, line 22 . . . . .				
<b>3</b> Grants and other assistance to foreign organizations, foreign governments, and foreign individuals. See Part IV, lines 15 and 16 . . . . .				
<b>4</b> Benefits paid to or for members . . . . .				
<b>5</b> Compensation of current officers, directors, trustees, and key employees . . . . .	67,090	63,470	2,416	1,203
<b>6</b> Compensation not included above to disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)) and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B) . . . . .				
<b>7</b> Other salaries and wages . . . . .	91,898	56,454	35,378	66
<b>8</b> Pension plan accruals and contributions (include section 401(k) and 403(b) employer contributions) . . . . .	2,474	2,340	90	44
<b>9</b> Other employee benefits . . . . .				
<b>10</b> Payroll taxes . . . . .	12,638	9,634	2,898	106
<b>11</b> Fees for services (nonemployees):				
<b>a</b> Management . . . . .				
<b>b</b> Legal . . . . .				
<b>c</b> Accounting . . . . .				
<b>d</b> Lobbying . . . . .	43,050	43,050		
<b>e</b> Professional fundraising services. See Part IV, line 17 . . . . .	30,660			30,660
<b>f</b> Investment management fees . . . . .				
<b>g</b> Other. (If line 11g amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A), amount, list line 11g expenses on Schedule O.) . . . . .				
<b>12</b> Advertising and promotion . . . . .				
<b>13</b> Office expenses . . . . .	1,174	543	579	52
<b>14</b> Information technology . . . . .	6,853		6,853	
<b>15</b> Royalties . . . . .				
<b>16</b> Occupancy . . . . .	8,864		8,864	
<b>17</b> Travel . . . . .	7,428	6,882	546	0
<b>18</b> Payments of travel or entertainment expenses for any federal, state, or local public officials . . . . .				
<b>19</b> Conferences, conventions, and meetings . . . . .				
<b>20</b> Interest . . . . .	83	83		
<b>21</b> Payments to affiliates . . . . .				
<b>22</b> Depreciation, depletion, and amortization . . . . .				
<b>23</b> Insurance . . . . .	2,444	(42)	2,486	
<b>24</b> Other expenses. Itemize expenses not covered above. (List miscellaneous expenses on line 24e. If line 24e amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A), amount, list line 24e expenses on Schedule O.) . . . . .				
<b>a</b> Mailing and data . . . . .	55,084	6,188	3,337	45,560
<b>b</b> Event . . . . .	12,339	11,917	422	
<b>c</b> Education . . . . .	5,870	5,870		
<b>d</b> Merchandise for sale . . . . .	16,390	16,390		0
<b>e</b> All other expenses . . . . .	14,510	4,464	5,490	4,558
<b>25</b> <b>Total functional expenses.</b> Add lines 1 through 24e . . . . .	460,651	309,045	69,359	82,249
<b>26</b> <b>Joint costs.</b> Complete this line only if the organization reported in column (B) joint costs from a combined educational campaign and fundraising solicitation. Check here <input type="checkbox"/> if following SOP 98-2 (ASC 958-720) . . . . .				

**Part X Balance Sheet**Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part X ☐

		(A) Beginning of year		(B) End of year
<b>Assets</b>	<b>1</b> Cash—non-interest-bearing . . . . .	30,100	<b>1</b>	23,017
	<b>2</b> Savings and temporary cash investments . . . . .	10,108	<b>2</b>	20,186
	<b>3</b> Pledges and grants receivable, net . . . . .	0	<b>3</b>	
	<b>4</b> Accounts receivable, net . . . . .	34,721	<b>4</b>	56,470
	<b>5</b> Loans and other receivables from any current or former officer, director, trustee, key employee, creator or founder, substantial contributor, or 35% controlled entity or family member of any of these persons . . . . .	0	<b>5</b>	
	<b>6</b> Loans and other receivables from other disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)), and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B) . . . . .	0	<b>6</b>	
	<b>7</b> Notes and loans receivable, net . . . . .	0	<b>7</b>	
	<b>8</b> Inventories for sale or use . . . . .	0	<b>8</b>	2,762
	<b>9</b> Prepaid expenses and deferred charges . . . . .	0	<b>9</b>	
	<b>10a</b> Land, buildings, and equipment: cost or other basis. Complete Part VI of Schedule D . . . . .	<b>10a</b>		
	<b>b</b> Less: accumulated depreciation . . . . .	<b>10b</b>		
	<b>11</b> Investments—publicly traded securities . . . . .	0	<b>11</b>	0
	<b>12</b> Investments—other securities. See Part IV, line 11 . . . . .	0	<b>12</b>	0
	<b>13</b> Investments—program-related. See Part IV, line 11 . . . . .	0	<b>13</b>	0
	<b>14</b> Intangible assets . . . . .	0	<b>14</b>	0
	<b>15</b> Other assets. See Part IV, line 11 . . . . .	0	<b>15</b>	0
<b>16</b> <b>Total assets.</b> Add lines 1 through 15 (must equal line 33) . . . . .	74,929	<b>16</b>	102,435	
<b>Liabilities</b>	<b>17</b> Accounts payable and accrued expenses . . . . .	0	<b>17</b>	
	<b>18</b> Grants payable . . . . .	0	<b>18</b>	
	<b>19</b> Deferred revenue . . . . .	0	<b>19</b>	
	<b>20</b> Tax-exempt bond liabilities . . . . .	0	<b>20</b>	
	<b>21</b> Escrow or custodial account liability. Complete Part IV of Schedule D . . . . .	0	<b>21</b>	
	<b>22</b> Loans and other payables to any current or former officer, director, trustee, key employee, creator or founder, substantial contributor, or 35% controlled entity or family member of any of these persons . . . . .	0	<b>22</b>	
	<b>23</b> Secured mortgages and notes payable to unrelated third parties . . . . .	0	<b>23</b>	
	<b>24</b> Unsecured notes and loans payable to unrelated third parties . . . . .	0	<b>24</b>	
	<b>25</b> 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	<b>25</b>	
	<b>26</b> <b>Total liabilities.</b> Add lines 17 through 25 . . . . .	0	<b>26</b>	0
<b>Net Assets or Fund Balances</b>	<b>Organizations that follow FASB ASC 958, check here <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 27, 28, 32, and 33.</b>			
	<b>27</b> Net assets without donor restrictions . . . . .	74,929	<b>27</b>	102,435
	<b>28</b> Net assets with donor restrictions . . . . .	0	<b>28</b>	
	<b>Organizations that do not follow FASB ASC 958, check here <input type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 29 through 33.</b>			
	<b>29</b> Capital stock or trust principal, or current funds . . . . .		<b>29</b>	
	<b>30</b> Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, building, or equipment fund . . . . .		<b>30</b>	
	<b>31</b> Retained earnings, endowment, accumulated income, or other funds . . . . .		<b>31</b>	
	<b>32</b> <b>Total net assets or fund balances</b> . . . . .	74,929	<b>32</b>	102,435
<b>33</b> <b>Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances</b> . . . . .	74,929	<b>33</b>	102,435	

**Part XI Reconciliation of Net Assets**Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part XI ☐

<b>1</b>	Total revenue (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	<b>1</b>	488,205
<b>2</b>	Total expenses (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	<b>2</b>	460,651
<b>3</b>	Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 2 from line 1	<b>3</b>	27,554
<b>4</b>	Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (must equal Part X, line 32, column (A))	<b>4</b>	74,929
<b>5</b>	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	<b>5</b>	
<b>6</b>	Donated services and use of facilities	<b>6</b>	
<b>7</b>	Investment expenses	<b>7</b>	
<b>8</b>	Prior period adjustments	<b>8</b>	(48)
<b>9</b>	Other changes in net assets or fund balances (explain on Schedule O)	<b>9</b>	
<b>10</b>	Net assets or fund balances at end of year. Combine lines 3 through 9 (must equal Part X, line 32, column (B))	<b>10</b>	102,435

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

	Yes	No
<b>1</b> Accounting method used to prepare the Form 990: <input type="checkbox"/> Cash <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Accrual <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ If the organization changed its method of accounting from a prior year or checked "Other," explain on Schedule O.		
<b>2a</b> Were the organization's financial statements compiled or reviewed by an independent accountant? . . . If "Yes," check a box below to indicate whether the financial statements for the year were compiled or reviewed on a separate basis, consolidated basis, or both. <input type="checkbox"/> Separate basis <input type="checkbox"/> Consolidated basis <input type="checkbox"/> Both consolidated and separate basis	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>b</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. <input type="checkbox"/> Separate basis <input type="checkbox"/> Consolidated basis <input type="checkbox"/> Both consolidated and separate basis	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>c</b> 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 on Schedule O.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>3a</b> As a result of a federal award, was the organization required to undergo an audit or audits as set forth in the Uniform Guidance, 2 C.F.R. Part 200, Subpart F? . . .	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>b</b> If "Yes," did the organization undergo the required audit or audits? If the organization did not undergo the required audit or audits, explain why on Schedule O and describe any steps taken to undergo such audits .	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Form **990** (2024)

**SCHEDULE C  
(Form 990)**

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

**Political Campaign and Lobbying Activities**

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

**Complete if the organization is described below. Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ.  
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**If the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 3, or Form 990-EZ, Part V, line 46 (Political Campaign Activities), then:**

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

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

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

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

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

Name of organization <b>MINNESOTA LAKES AND RIVERS ADVOCATES</b>	Employer identification number <b>41-1761357</b>
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**Part I-A Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c) or is a section 527 organization.**

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

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

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

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

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

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



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

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

<b>Limits on Lobbying Expenditures</b> (The term "expenditures" means amounts paid or incurred.)		(a) Filing organization's totals	(b) Affiliated group totals												
<b>1a</b>	Total lobbying expenditures to influence public opinion (grassroots lobbying) . . . . .														
<b>b</b>	Total lobbying expenditures to influence a legislative body (direct lobbying) . . . . .														
<b>c</b>	Total lobbying expenditures (add lines 1a and 1b) . . . . .														
<b>d</b>	Other exempt purpose expenditures . . . . .														
<b>e</b>	Total exempt purpose expenditures (add lines 1c and 1d) . . . . .														
<b>f</b>	Lobbying nontaxable amount. Enter the amount from the following table in both columns.														
<table border="1" style="width:100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <thead> <tr> <th style="width: 40%;">If the amount on line 1e, column (a) or (b) is:</th> <th style="width: 60%;">The lobbying nontaxable amount is:</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>not over \$500,000,</td> <td>20% of the amount on line 1e.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>over \$500,000 but not over \$1,000,000,</td> <td>\$100,000 plus 15% of the excess over \$500,000.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>over \$1,000,000 but not over \$1,500,000,</td> <td>\$175,000 plus 10% of the excess over \$1,000,000.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>over \$1,500,000 but not over \$17,000,000,</td> <td>\$225,000 plus 5% of the excess over \$1,500,000.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>over \$17,000,000,</td> <td>\$1,000,000.</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>		If the amount on line 1e, column (a) or (b) is:	The lobbying nontaxable amount is:	not over \$500,000,	20% of the amount on line 1e.	over \$500,000 but not over \$1,000,000,	\$100,000 plus 15% of the excess over \$500,000.	over \$1,000,000 but not over \$1,500,000,	\$175,000 plus 10% of the excess over \$1,000,000.	over \$1,500,000 but not over \$17,000,000,	\$225,000 plus 5% of the excess over \$1,500,000.	over \$17,000,000,	\$1,000,000.		
If the amount on line 1e, column (a) or (b) is:	The lobbying nontaxable amount is:														
not over \$500,000,	20% of the amount on line 1e.														
over \$500,000 but not over \$1,000,000,	\$100,000 plus 15% of the excess over \$500,000.														
over \$1,000,000 but not over \$1,500,000,	\$175,000 plus 10% of the excess over \$1,000,000.														
over \$1,500,000 but not over \$17,000,000,	\$225,000 plus 5% of the excess over \$1,500,000.														
over \$17,000,000,	\$1,000,000.														
<b>g</b>	Grassroots nontaxable amount (enter 25% of line 1f) . . . . .														
<b>h</b>	Subtract line 1g from line 1a. If zero or less, enter -0- . . . . .														
<b>i</b>	Subtract line 1f from line 1c. If zero or less, enter -0- . . . . .														
<b>j</b>	If there is an amount other than zero on either line 1h or line 1i, did the organization file Form 4720 reporting section 4911 tax for this year? . . . . .	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No													

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

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

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

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

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

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

		Yes	No
<b>1</b>	Were substantially all (90% or more) dues received nondeductible by members?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>2</b>	Did the organization make only in-house lobbying expenditures of \$2,000 or less?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>3</b>	Did the organization agree to carry over lobbying and political campaign activity expenditures from the prior year?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

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

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

**Part IV** Supplemental Information

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

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Name of the organization

Employer identification number

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

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

(i) Name and address of individual or entity (fundraiser)	(ii) Activity	(iii) Did fundraiser have custody or control of contributions?		(iv) Gross receipts from activity	(v) Amount paid to (or retained by) fundraiser listed in col. (i)	(vi) Amount paid to (or retained by) organization
		Yes	No			
1 Thomas Evers Advisors, 4552 Longfellow Avenue, Minneapolis, MN, 55407	Creating fundraising plan	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	0	30,660	30,660
2		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			
3		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			
4		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			
5		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			
6		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			
7		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			
8		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			
9		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			
10		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			
Total				0	30,660	30,660

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

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**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 (add col. (a) through col. (c))
		(event type)	(event type)	(total number)	
Revenue	<b>1</b> Gross receipts . . . . .				
	<b>2</b> Less: Contributions . . . . .				
	<b>3</b> Gross income (line 1 minus line 2) . . . . .				
Direct Expenses	<b>4</b> Cash prizes . . . . .				
	<b>5</b> Noncash prizes . . . . .				
	<b>6</b> Rent/facility costs . . . . .				
	<b>7</b> Food and beverages . . . . .				
	<b>8</b> Entertainment . . . . .				
	<b>9</b> Other direct expenses . . . . .				
	<b>10</b> Direct expense summary. Add lines 4 through 9 in column (d) . . . . .				
<b>11</b> Net income summary. Subtract line 10 from line 3, column (d) . . . . .					

**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	<b>1</b> Gross revenue . . . . .				
Direct Expenses	<b>2</b> Cash prizes . . . . .				
	<b>3</b> Noncash prizes . . . . .				
	<b>4</b> Rent/facility costs . . . . .				
	<b>5</b> Other direct expenses . . . . .				
	<b>6</b> 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	
	<b>7</b> Direct expense summary. Add lines 2 through 5 in column (d) . . . . .				
	<b>8</b> 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: \_\_\_\_\_

- |           |  |                              |                             |
|-----------|--|------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| <b>11</b> | Does the organization conduct gaming activities with nonmembers? . . . . .   | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| <b>12</b> | Is the organization a grantor, beneficiary or trustee of a trust, or a member of a partnership or other entity formed to administer charitable gaming? . . . . . | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| <b>13</b> | Indicate the percentage of gaming activity conducted in:   |                              |                             |
| <b>a</b>  | The organization's facility . . . . .  | <b>13a</b>                   | %                           |
| <b>b</b>  | An outside facility . . . . .  | <b>13b</b>                   | %                           |
| <b>14</b> | Enter the name and address of the person who prepares the organization's gaming/special events books and records:  |                              |                             |

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

- 15a** Does the organization have a contract with a third party from whom the organization receives gaming revenue? . . . . . ☐ Yes ☐ No
- b** If "Yes," enter the amount of gaming revenue received by the organization \$ \_\_\_\_\_ and the amount of gaming revenue retained by the third party \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- c** If "Yes," enter name and address of the third party: \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

- 16** Gaming manager information:

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Gaming manager compensation \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Description of services provided

☐ Director/officer☐ Employee☐ Independent contractor

- 17** Mandatory distributions:

- a** Is the organization required under state law to make charitable distributions from the gaming proceeds to retain the state gaming license? . . . . . ☐ Yes ☐ No
- b** Enter the amount of distributions required under state law to be distributed to other exempt organizations or spent in the organization's own exempt activities during the tax year . . . . . \$

## Part IV

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



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**Grants and Other Assistance to Organizations,  
Governments, and Individuals in the United States**  
Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 21 or 22.  
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Name of the organization

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Employer identification number

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## 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? ☒ Yes ☐ No
- 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.

[illegible]

2	Enter total number of section 501(c)(3) and government organizations listed in the line 1 table	6
3	Enter total number of other organizations listed in the line 1 table	0

**Part IV Supplemental Information**Part and Line Number: **Part II - Grants and Other Assistance to Domestic Organizations and Domestic Governments**

S.No	(a) Name and address of organization or government	(b) EIN	(c) IRC section(if applicable)	(d) Amount of cash grant	(e) Amount of noncash assistance
1	Meeker County 14 N Holcombe Ave. , Ste 16, Litchfield, MN 55355	-	County government	\$0	\$44,497
(f) Method of valuation: Cost					
(g) Description of noncash assistance: CD3 boat cleaning station					
(h) Purpose of grant or assistance: Control of aquatic invasive species					
2	Beltrami County 701 Minnesota Avenue , Suite 113, Bemidji, MN 56661	-	County government	\$15,630	\$0
(f) Method of valuation: Cost					
(g) Description of noncash assistance: Reimbursement for CD3 annual maintenance costs					
(h) Purpose of grant or assistance: Control aquatic invasive species					
3	Itasca Soil and Water Conservation District PO Box 990, Grand Rapids, MN 55744	-	Soil & Water Conservation	\$2,400	\$0
(f) Method of valuation: Cost					
(g) Description of noncash assistance: Reimbursement for CD3 annual maintenance costs					
(h) Purpose of grant or assistance: Control of aquatic invasive species					
4	Wright Soil and Water Conservation District 311 Brighton Ave S, Suite C, Buffalo, MN 55313	-	Soil and Water Conservation	\$3,600	\$0
(f) Method of valuation: cost					
(g) Description of noncash assistance: Reimbursement for CD3 annual maintenance costs					
(h) Purpose of grant or assistance: Control of aquatic invasive species					
5	Leech Lake Band Of Ojibwe 190 Sailstar Drive NW, Cass Lake, MN 56633	41-1242052	Tribal Government	\$14,400	-
(h) Purpose of grant or assistance: Control of aquatic invasive species					
6	Township of Hubbard 11814 County 6, Park Rapids, MN 56470	-	Township	\$1,275	\$0
(f) Method of valuation: cost					
(g) Description of noncash assistance: Reimbursement for CD3 annual maintenance costs					
(h) Purpose of grant or assistance: Control of aquatic invasive species					

**SCHEDULE O**  
**(Form 990)**

**Supplemental Information to Form 990 or 990-EZ**

**2024**

Name of the Organization  
MINNESOTA LAKES AND RIVERS ADVOCATES

EIN  
41-1761357

Part and Line Number: **Part VI Line XI(a)**

The 990 is prepared by the bookkeeper and reviewed by the Executive Director. Board members are provided a copy.

Part and Line Number: **Part VI Line XII(c)**

Discussed at each board meeting.

Part and Line Number: **Part VI Line XV**

Reviewed annually by the board of directors.

Part and Line Number: **Part VI Line XIX**

Have not done so yet.