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Form **990**

## Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

OMB No. 1545-0047

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

2021

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

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Part I Summary			
	<b>1</b>	Briefly describe the organization's mission or most significant activities: <u>Founded in 1972, the Vermont Public Interest Research Group (VPIRG) is the largest nonprofit consumer and environmental advocacy organization in Vermont. See Page 2 for more information.</u>	
	<b>2</b>	Check this box <input type="checkbox"/> if the organization discontinued its operations or disposed of more than 25% of its net assets.	
Activities & Governance	<b>3</b>	Number of voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1a)	3 15
	<b>4</b>	Number of independent voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1b)	4 15
	<b>5</b>	Total number of individuals employed in calendar year 2021 (Part V, line 2a)	5 76
	<b>6</b>	Total number of volunteers (estimate if necessary)	6 30
	<b>7a</b>	Total unrelated business revenue from Part VIII, column (C), line 12	7a 0.
	<b>7b</b>	Net unrelated business taxable income from Form 990-T, Part I, line 11	7b 0.
	Revenue	<b>8</b>	Contributions and grants (Part VIII, line 1h)
<b>9</b>		Program service revenue (Part VIII, line 2g)	
<b>10</b>		Investment income (Part VIII, column (A), lines 3, 4, and 7d)	2,316. 999.
<b>11</b>		Other revenue (Part VIII, column (A), lines 5, 6d, 8c, 9c, 10c, and 11e)	4,610. 4,420.
<b>12</b>		Total revenue—add lines 8 through 11 (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	1,086,650. 1,307,101.
Expenses		<b>13</b>	Grants and similar amounts paid (Part IX, column (A), lines 1–3)
	<b>14</b>	Benefits paid to or for members (Part IX, column (A), line 4)	0. 0.
	<b>15</b>	Salaries, other compensation, employee benefits (Part IX, column (A), lines 5–10)	474,393. 895,139.
	<b>16a</b>	Professional fundraising fees (Part IX, column (A), line 11e)	0. 0.
	<b>b</b>	Total fundraising expenses (Part IX, column (D), line 25) ▶ 99,201.	
	<b>17</b>	Other expenses (Part IX, column (A), lines 11a–11d, 11f–24e)	154,049. 268,042.
	<b>18</b>	Total expenses. Add lines 13–17 (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	628,442. 1,663,181.
	<b>19</b>	Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 18 from line 12	458,208. -356,080.
Net Assets or Fund Balances	<b>20</b>	Total assets (Part X, line 16)	Beginning of Current Year: 3,092,806. End of Year: 2,741,753.
	<b>21</b>	Total liabilities (Part X, line 26)	31,986. 37,013.
	<b>22</b>	Net assets or fund balances. Subtract line 21 from line 20	3,060,820. 2,704,740.

### 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.

<b>Sign Here</b>	Signature of officer	11/10/2022
	Paul Burns, Executive Director & Authorized Tax Officer	Date
	Type or print name and title	

<b>Paid Preparer Use Only</b>	Print/Type preparer's name	Preparer's signature	Date	Check <input type="checkbox"/> if self-employed	PTIN
	William S. Huckabay, CPA				P00154308
	Firm's name ▶	Firm's EIN ▶		Firm's address ▶	
	Tapia & Huckabay, P.C.	47-1371818	P.O. Box 38, Vergennes, VT 05491		
	Firm's address ▶		Phone no. (802) 870-7086		

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  Yes  No

**1** Briefly describe the organization's mission:  
Founded in 1972, the Vermont Public Interest Research Group (VPIRG) is the largest nonprofit consumer and environmental advocacy organization in Vermont. For nearly five decades, VPIRG has brought the voices of everyday Vermonters  
See Part III, Ln 1 statement

**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 \$ 272,081. including grants of \$ 0.) (Revenue \$ 0.)  
General Membership Services - As the largest membership-based environmental and consumer advocacy organization in the state, VPIRG provides educational and informational resources on our campaigns and related issues to tens of thousands of members and supporters annually.  
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For the second straight year, it was a summer unlike any other at VPIRG as we completed our first ever "hybrid canvass." Out of an abundance of caution, we made the decision to kick off our 2021 canvass virtually, on the phones, with over a dozen new canvassers contacting thousands of VPIRG members remotely. Eventually, we were able to return to doing what we do best: going door-to-door, renewing memberships and rallying grassroots support - all of which gave a big boost to  
See Part III, Ln 4a statement

**4b** (Code: ) (Expenses \$ 344,148. including grants of \$ 245,000.) (Revenue \$ 0.)  
Climate & Energy - Our Climate & Energy work is driven by the understanding that we must fully decarbonize both Vermont and the nation, and that everyone deserves access to clean and affordable energy and transportation. Breaking down barriers contributing to rural, BIPOC and low-income communities being left behind in this transition is a core part of our efforts.  
\*\*\*  
In 2021, VPIRG pressed for nearly \$300 million in state spending aimed at cutting Vermont's climate pollution. The legislature also included a VPIRG-supported Transportation Modernization Package in the Transportation Bill that included almost \$12 million for programs ranging from electric vehicle incentives,  
See Part III, Ln 4b statement

**4c** (Code: ) (Expenses \$ 376,521. including grants of \$ 175,000.) (Revenue \$ 0.)  
Zero Waste - VPIRG works to advance policies and solutions that hold manufacturers accountable for the products they put into our environment and move us closer to zero waste in Vermont.  
\*\*\*  
In 2021, VPIRG, our members, and allies made major progress on modernizing Vermont's popular and effective Bottle Bill. In April, the Vermont House passed legislation that would expand the Bottle Bill program to include wine and non-carbonated drinks like water, iced tea, and sports drinks. Later in the year, canvassers from VPIRG's summer campaign delivered more than 10,000 signed petitions to Senate President Pro Tem Becca Balint, urging the Vermont Senate to take up and pass legislation to update Vermont's Bottle Bill.

**4d** Other program services (Describe on Schedule O.)  
(Expenses \$ 298,915. including grants of \$ 80,000.) (Revenue \$ 0.)

**4e** Total program service expenses **▶** 1,291,665.

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**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)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule A</i> . . . . .	<b>1</b>	X
<b>2</b> Is the organization required to complete <i>Schedule B, Schedule of Contributors</i> ? See instructions . . . . .	<b>2</b>	X
<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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part I</i> . . . . .	<b>3</b>	X
<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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part II</i> . . . . .	<b>4</b>	
<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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part III</i> . . . . .	<b>5</b>	X
<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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part I</i> . . . . .	<b>6</b>	X
<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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part II</i> . . . . .	<b>7</b>	X
<b>8</b> Did the organization maintain collections of works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part III</i> . . . . .	<b>8</b>	X
<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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part IV</i> . . . . .	<b>9</b>	X
<b>10</b> Did the organization, directly or through a related organization, hold assets in donor-restricted endowments or in quasi endowments? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part V</i> . . . . .	<b>10</b>	X
<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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VI</i> . . . . .	<b>11a</b>	X
<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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VII</i> . . . . .	<b>11b</b>	X
<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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VIII</i> . . . . .	<b>11c</b>	X
<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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part IX</i> . . . . .	<b>11d</b>	X
<b>e</b> Did the organization report an amount for other liabilities in Part X, line 25? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X</i>	<b>11e</b>	X
<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)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X</i>	<b>11f</b>	X
<b>12a</b> Did the organization obtain separate, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Parts XI and XII</i> . . . . .	<b>12a</b>	X
<b>b</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>	<b>12b</b>	X
<b>13</b> Is the organization a school described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule E</i> . . . . .	<b>13</b>	X
<b>14a</b> Did the organization maintain an office, employees, or agents outside of the United States? . . . . .	<b>14a</b>	X
<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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts I and IV.</i> . . . . .	<b>14b</b>	X
<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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts II and IV</i> . . . . .	<b>15</b>	X
<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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts III and IV.</i> . . . . .	<b>16</b>	X
<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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part I.</i> See instructions . . . . .	<b>17</b>	X
<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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part II</i> . . . . .	<b>18</b>	X
<b>19</b> 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> . . . . .	<b>19</b>	X
<b>20a</b> Did the organization operate one or more hospital facilities? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule H</i> . . . . .	<b>20a</b>	X
<b>b</b> If "Yes" to line 20a, did the organization attach a copy of its audited financial statements to this return? . . . . .	<b>20b</b>	
<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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and II</i> . . . . .	<b>21</b>	X

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**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>	<b>22</b>		x
<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>	<b>23</b>		x
<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>	<b>24a</b>		x
<b>b</b> Did the organization invest any proceeds of tax-exempt bonds beyond a temporary period exception?	<b>24b</b>		
<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?	<b>24c</b>		
<b>d</b> Did the organization act as an "on behalf of" issuer for bonds outstanding at any time during the year?	<b>24d</b>		
<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>	<b>25a</b>		x
<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>	<b>25b</b>		x
<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>	<b>26</b>		x
<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>	<b>27</b>		x
<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>	<b>28a</b>		x
<b>b</b> A family member of any individual described in line 28a? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV</i>	<b>28b</b>		x
<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>	<b>28c</b>		x
<b>29</b> Did the organization receive more than \$25,000 in non-cash contributions? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule M</i>	<b>29</b>		x
<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>	<b>30</b>		x
<b>31</b> Did the organization liquidate, terminate, or dissolve and cease operations? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part I</i>	<b>31</b>		x
<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>	<b>32</b>		x
<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>	<b>33</b>		x
<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>	<b>34</b>	x	
<b>35a</b> Did the organization have a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)?	<b>35a</b>	x	
<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>	<b>35b</b>	x	
<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>	<b>36</b>		
<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>	<b>37</b>		x
<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	<b>38</b>	x	

**Part V Statements Regarding Other IRS Filings and Tax Compliance**

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

		Yes	No
<b>1a</b> Enter the number reported in box 3 of Form 1096. Enter -0- if not applicable	<b>1a</b> 14		
<b>b</b> Enter the number of Forms W-2G included on line 1a. Enter -0- if not applicable	<b>1b</b> 0		
<b>c</b> Did the organization comply with backup withholding rules for reportable payments to vendors and reportable gaming (gambling) winnings to prize winners?	<b>1c</b>		

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<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>	76
<b>b</b>	If at least one is reported on line 2a, did the organization file all required federal employment tax returns? <b>Note:</b> If the sum of lines 1a and 2a is greater than 250, you may be required to e-file. See instructions.	<b>2b</b>	X
<b>3a</b>	Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year?	<b>3a</b>	X
<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>	
<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>	X
<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>	X
<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>	X
<b>c</b>	If "Yes" to line 5a or 5b, did the organization file Form 8886-T?	<b>5c</b>	
<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>	X
<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>	X
<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>	
<b>b</b>	If "Yes," did the organization notify the donor of the value of the goods or services provided?	<b>7b</b>	
<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>	
<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>	
<b>f</b>	Did the organization, during the year, pay premiums, directly or indirectly, on a personal benefit contract?	<b>7f</b>	
<b>g</b>	If the organization received a contribution of qualified intellectual property, did the organization file Form 8899 as required?	<b>7g</b>	
<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>	
<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>	
<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>	
<b>b</b>	Did the sponsoring organization make a distribution to a donor, donor advisor, or related person?	<b>9b</b>	
<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>	
<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>	
<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>	X
<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>	
<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>	X
<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>	X
<b>17</b>	<b>Section 501(c)(21) organizations.</b> Did the trust, any disqualified person, or mine operator 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>	

**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 . . . . . 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>1a</b> 15		
<b>b</b>	Enter the number of voting members included on line 1a, above, who are independent . . . . .		
	<b>1b</b> 15		
<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? . . . . .		X
<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? . . . . .		X
<b>4</b>	Did the organization make any significant changes to its governing documents since the prior Form 990 was filed? . . . . .		X
<b>5</b>	Did the organization become aware during the year of a significant diversion of the organization's assets? . . . . .		X
<b>6</b>	Did the organization have members or stockholders? . . . . .	X	
<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? . . . . .	X	
<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? . . . . .	X	
<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? . . . . .	X	
<b>b</b>	Each committee with authority to act on behalf of the governing body? . . . . .	X	
<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 . . . . .		X

### 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? . . . . .		X
<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? . . . . .		
<b>10b</b>			
<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? . . . . .	X	
<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 . . . . .	X	
<b>b</b>	Were officers, directors, or trustees, and key employees required to disclose annually interests that could give rise to conflicts? . . . . .	X	
<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. . . . .	X	
<b>12c</b>		X	
<b>13</b>	Did the organization have a written whistleblower policy? . . . . .		X
<b>14</b>	Did the organization have a written document retention and destruction policy? . . . . .	X	
<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 . . . . .	X	
<b>b</b>	Other officers or key employees of the organization . . . . .	X	
	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? . . . . .		X
<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? . . . . .		
<b>16b</b>			

### Section C. Disclosure

- 17** List the states with which a copy of this Form 990 is required to be filed ►
- 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, 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) Ashley Orgain President	2.00	X		X			0.	0.	0.	
(2) Chris Miller Vice President	2.00	X		X			0.	0.	0.	
(3) Marianne Barton Treasurer	2.00	X		X			0.	0.	0.	
(4) Jen Duggan Secretary	2.00	X		X			0.	0.	0.	
(5) Talia Crowley Trustee (Left Board in 2021)	1.00	X					0.	0.	0.	
(6) Aiko Schafer Trustee	1.00	X					0.	0.	0.	
(7) Drew Hudson Trustee	1.00	X					0.	0.	0.	
(8) Anna Marchessault Trustee (Left Board in 2021)	1.00	X					0.	0.	0.	
(9) Biff Mithoefer Trustee	1.00	X					0.	0.	0.	
(10) Duane Peterson Trustee	1.00	X					0.	0.	0.	
(11) Mathew Rubin Trustee	1.00	X					0.	0.	0.	
(12) Dr. Michael Scollins Trustee	1.00	X					0.	0.	0.	
(13) Dori Wolfe Trustee	1.00	X					0.	0.	0.	
(14) Kanika Gandhi Trustee	1.00	X					0.	0.	0.	

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

(A) Name and title	(B) Average hours per week (list any hours for related organizations below dotted line)	(C) Position (do not check more than one box, unless person is both an officer and a director/trustee)						(D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W-2/1099-MISC/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) Anna Seuberling Trustee	1.00	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>						0.	0.	0.
(16) Diana Gonzalez Trustee	1.00	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>						0.	0.	0.
(17) Sinead Murray Trustee	1.00	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>						0.	0.	0.
(18) Paul Burns Executive Director	21.50 18.50			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>				56,343.	48,657.	21,844.
(19)										
(20)										
(21)										
(22)										
(23)										
(24)										
(25)										
<b>1b Subtotal</b>							56,343.	48,657.	21,844.	
<b>c Total from continuation sheets to Part VII, Section A</b>										
<b>d Total (add lines 1b and 1c)</b>							56,343.	48,657.	21,844.	

**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 ▶ 1

		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>	<b>3</b>		<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>	<b>4</b>		<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>	<b>5</b>		<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 ▶ 0



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**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 . . . . .	0.				
	<b>b</b>	Membership dues . . . . .	0.				
	<b>c</b>	Fundraising events . . . . .	0.				
	<b>d</b>	Related organizations . . . . .	0.				
	<b>e</b>	Government grants (contributions)	0.				
	<b>f</b>	All other contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts not included above	1,301,682.				
	<b>g</b>	Noncash contributions included in lines 1a-1f . . . . .	\$ 0.				
	<b>h</b>	<b>Total.</b> Add lines 1a-1f . . . . .	▶ 1,301,682.				
	<b>Program Service Revenue</b>	<b>2a</b>	----- Business Code				
<b>b</b>		-----					
<b>c</b>		-----					
<b>d</b>		-----					
<b>e</b>		-----					
<b>f</b>		All other program service revenue . .					
<b>g</b>		<b>Total.</b> Add lines 2a-2f . . . . .	▶				
<b>Other Revenue</b>	<b>3</b>	Investment income (including dividends, interest, and other similar amounts) . . . . .	▶ 999.	0.	0.	999.	
	<b>4</b>	Income from investment of tax-exempt bond proceeds ▶					
	<b>5</b>	Royalties . . . . .					
	<b>6a</b>	Gross rents . . . . .	(i) Real	5,520.			
			(ii) Personal				
	<b>b</b>	Less: rental expenses	1,100.				
	<b>c</b>	Rental income or (loss)	4,420.				
	<b>d</b>	Net rental income or (loss) . . . . .	▶ 4,420.	0.	0.	4,420.	
	<b>7a</b>	Gross amount from sales of assets other than inventory	(i) Securities				
			(ii) Other				
	<b>b</b>	Less: cost or other basis and sales expenses . . . . .					
	<b>c</b>	Gain or (loss) . . . . .					
	<b>d</b>	Net gain or (loss) . . . . .	▶				
	<b>8a</b>	Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ 0. of contributions reported on line 1c). See Part IV, line 18 . . . . .	▶				
	<b>b</b>	Less: direct expenses . . . . .					
<b>c</b>	Net income or (loss) from fundraising events . . ▶						
<b>9a</b>	Gross income from gaming activities. See Part IV, line 19 . . . . .	▶					
<b>b</b>	Less: direct expenses . . . . .						
<b>c</b>	Net income or (loss) from gaming activities . . . ▶						
<b>10a</b>	Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances . . . . .	▶					
<b>b</b>	Less: cost of goods sold . . . . .						
<b>c</b>	Net income or (loss) from sales of inventory . . . ▶						
<b>Miscellaneous Revenue</b>	<b>11a</b>	----- Business Code					
	<b>b</b>	-----					
	<b>c</b>	-----					
	<b>d</b>	All other revenue . . . . .					
	<b>e</b>	<b>Total.</b> Add lines 11a-11d . . . . .	▶				
<b>12</b>	<b>Total revenue.</b> See instructions . . . . .	▶ 1,307,101.	0.	0.	5,419.		

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**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 . . . . .	500,000.	500,000.		
<b>2</b> Grants and other assistance to domestic individuals. See Part IV, line 22 . . . . .	0.	0.		
<b>3</b> Grants and other assistance to foreign organizations, foreign governments, and foreign individuals. See Part IV, lines 15 and 16 . . . . .	0.	0.		
<b>4</b> Benefits paid to or for members . . . . .	0.	0.		
<b>5</b> Compensation of current officers, directors, trustees, and key employees . . . . .	68,065.	52,410.	10,788.	4,867.
<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) . . . . .	0.	0.	0.	0.
<b>7</b> Other salaries and wages . . . . .	636,644.	446,625.	142,306.	47,713.
<b>8</b> Pension plan accruals and contributions (include section 401(k) and 403(b) employer contributions) . . . . .	9,734.	6,572.	2,581.	581.
<b>9</b> Other employee benefits . . . . .	123,672.	76,709.	40,178.	6,785.
<b>10</b> Payroll taxes . . . . .	57,024.	40,555.	12,113.	4,356.
<b>11</b> Fees for services (nonemployees):				
<b>a</b> Management . . . . .	0.	0.	0.	0.
<b>b</b> Legal . . . . .	14,662.	0.	14,662.	0.
<b>c</b> Accounting . . . . .	2,828.	0.	2,828.	0.
<b>d</b> Lobbying . . . . .	4,000.	4,000.	0.	0.
<b>e</b> Professional fundraising services. See Part IV, line 17 . . . . .	0.			0.
<b>f</b> Investment management fees . . . . .	0.	0.	0.	0.
<b>g</b> Other. (If line 11g amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A), amount, list line 11g expenses on Schedule O.) . . . . .	34,151.	21,880.	2,129.	10,142.
<b>12</b> Advertising and promotion . . . . .	4,976.	3,452.	991.	533.
<b>13</b> Office expenses . . . . .	14,386.	9,295.	3,094.	1,997.
<b>14</b> Information technology . . . . .	42,166.	29,369.	6,270.	6,527.
<b>15</b> Royalties . . . . .	0.	0.	0.	0.
<b>16</b> Occupancy . . . . .	49,232.	34,286.	12,339.	2,607.
<b>17</b> Travel . . . . .	15,425.	12,332.	1,176.	1,917.
<b>18</b> Payments of travel or entertainment expenses for any federal, state, or local public officials . . . . .	0.	0.	0.	0.
<b>19</b> Conferences, conventions, and meetings . . . . .	4,563.	2,635.	1,542.	386.
<b>20</b> Interest . . . . .	0.	0.	0.	0.
<b>21</b> Payments to affiliates . . . . .	0.	0.	0.	0.
<b>22</b> Depreciation, depletion, and amortization . . . . .	9,084.	6,378.	2,187.	519.
<b>23</b> Insurance . . . . .	11,005.	7,718.	2,665.	622.
<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> <u>Newsletter &amp; Publications</u> . . . . .	38,919.	29,534.	58.	9,327.
<b>b</b> <u>Bank, Credit Card, &amp; Other Fees</u> . . . . .	15,142.	1,480.	13,441.	221.
<b>c</b> <u>Dues &amp; Subscriptions</u> . . . . .	2,556.	1,498.	957.	101.
<b>d</b> <u>Other Expenses</u> . . . . .	4,947.	4,937.	10.	0.
<b>e</b> All other expenses . . . . .				
<b>25</b> <b>Total functional expenses.</b> Add lines 1 through 24e	1,663,181.	1,291,665.	272,315.	99,201.
<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) . . . . .				

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**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 . . . . .	132,777.	<b>1</b>	456,882.	
	<b>2</b> Savings and temporary cash investments . . . . .	269,164.	<b>2</b>	420,164.	
	<b>3</b> Pledges and grants receivable, net . . . . .		<b>3</b>		
	<b>4</b> Accounts receivable, net . . . . .		<b>4</b>		
	<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 . . . . .		<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) . . . . .		<b>6</b>		
	<b>7</b> Notes and loans receivable, net . . . . .		<b>7</b>		
	<b>8</b> Inventories for sale or use . . . . .		<b>8</b>		
	<b>9</b> Prepaid expenses and deferred charges . . . . .	18,276.	<b>9</b>	20,732.	
	<b>10a</b> Land, buildings, and equipment: cost or other basis. Complete Part VI of Schedule D . . . . .	77,406.			
	<b>b</b> Less: accumulated depreciation . . . . .	51,857.	23,871.	<b>10c</b>	25,549.
	<b>11</b> Investments—publicly traded securities . . . . .		<b>11</b>		
	<b>12</b> Investments—other securities. See Part IV, line 11 . . . . .		<b>12</b>		
	<b>13</b> Investments—program-related. See Part IV, line 11 . . . . .		<b>13</b>		
	<b>14</b> Intangible assets . . . . .		<b>14</b>		
	<b>15</b> Other assets. See Part IV, line 11 . . . . .	2,648,718.	<b>15</b>	1,818,426.	
<b>16 Total assets.</b> Add lines 1 through 15 (must equal line 33) . . . . .	3,092,806.	<b>16</b>	2,741,753.		
<b>Liabilities</b>	<b>17</b> Accounts payable and accrued expenses . . . . .	31,986.	<b>17</b>	37,013.	
	<b>18</b> Grants payable . . . . .		<b>18</b>		
	<b>19</b> Deferred revenue . . . . .		<b>19</b>		
	<b>20</b> Tax-exempt bond liabilities . . . . .		<b>20</b>		
	<b>21</b> Escrow or custodial account liability. Complete Part IV of Schedule D . . . . .		<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 . . . . .		<b>22</b>		
	<b>23</b> Secured mortgages and notes payable to unrelated third parties . . . . .		<b>23</b>		
	<b>24</b> Unsecured notes and loans payable to unrelated third parties . . . . .		<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 . . . . .		<b>25</b>		
	<b>26 Total liabilities.</b> Add lines 17 through 25 . . . . .	31,986.	<b>26</b>	37,013.	
<b>Net Assets or Fund Balances</b>	<b>Organizations that follow FASB ASC 958, check here</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>and complete lines 27, 28, 32, and 33.</b>				
	<b>27</b> Net assets without donor restrictions . . . . .	3,014,570.	<b>27</b>	2,704,740.	
	<b>28</b> Net assets with donor restrictions . . . . .	46,250.	<b>28</b>	0.	
	<b>Organizations that do not follow FASB ASC 958, check here</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>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> Total net assets or fund balances . . . . .	3,060,820.	<b>32</b>	2,704,740.		
<b>33</b> Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances . . . . .	3,092,806.	<b>33</b>	2,741,753.		

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**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>	1,307,101.
<b>2</b>	Total expenses (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25) . . . . .	<b>2</b>	1,663,181.
<b>3</b>	Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 2 from line 1 . . . . .	<b>3</b>	-356,080.
<b>4</b>	Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (must equal Part X, line 32, column (A)) . . . . .	<b>4</b>	3,060,820.
<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>	
<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>	2,704,740.

**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	<b>2a</b>		x
<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	<b>2b</b>		x
<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.	<b>2c</b>		
<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 Single Audit Act and OMB Circular A-133? . . . . .	<b>3a</b>		x
<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 . . . . .	<b>3b</b>		

## Additional information from your Form 990: Return of Organization Exempt from Income Tax

### Form 990: Return of Organization Exempt from Income Tax

#### Form 990, Page 2, Part III, Line 1 (continued)

#### Continuation Statement

Description
to public policy debates concerning the environment, health care, consumer
protection, and democracy. VPIRG's mission is to promote and protect the health of
Vermont's people, environment and locally-based economy by informing and mobilizing
individuals and communities across the state.

### Form 990: Return of Organization Exempt from Income Tax

#### Form 990, Page 2, Part III, Line 4a (continued)

#### Continuation Statement

Description
our campaign to modernize Vermont's most successful recycling program: the
Bottle Bill.
***
VPIRG continues to serve as the go-to resource for individuals and groups to
learn about public interest policy issues and opportunities for making their
voices heard on issues at critical times throughout the year.

### Form 990: Return of Organization Exempt from Income Tax

#### Form 990, Page 2, Part III, Line 4b (continued)

#### Continuation Statement

Description
to bike and pedestrian infrastructure, to zero-fare public transit and EV
charging infrastructure. VPIRG also supported adoption of the state Climate
Action Plan that lays the foundation for Vermont to finally treat the climate
crisis with the seriousness it demands and gets on track to meet our climate
requirements.

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## Schedule B (Form 990)

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

## Schedule of Contributors

▶ Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-PF.  
▶ Go to [www.irs.gov/Form990](http://www.irs.gov/Form990) for the latest information.

OMB No. 1545-0047

# 2021

Name of the organization

Vermont Public Interest Research Group, Inc.

Employer identification number

03-0228267

Organization type (check one):

### Filers of:

### Section:

Form 990 or 990-EZ

501(c)( 4 ) (enter number) organization

4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust **not** treated as a private foundation

527 political organization

Form 990-PF

501(c)(3) exempt private foundation

4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust treated as a private foundation

501(c)(3) taxable private foundation

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

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

### General Rule

- For an organization filing Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF that received, during the year, contributions totaling \$5,000 or more (in money or 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<sup>1</sup>/<sub>3</sub>% support test of the regulations under sections 509(a)(1) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi), that checked Schedule A (Form 990), 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 (entering "N/A" in column (b) instead of the contributor name and address), 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), 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 990-PF, Part I, line 2, to certify that it doesn't meet the filing requirements of Schedule B (Form 990).

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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
1	Not Applicable - 501(c)(4) Organization 141 Main Street Montpelier VT 05602	\$ 41,580.	<b>Person</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Payroll</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Noncash</b> <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
2	Not Applicable - 501(c)(4) Organization 141 Main Street Montpelier VT 05602	\$ 35,000.	<b>Person</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Payroll</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Noncash</b> <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
3	Not Applicable - 501(c)(4) Organization 141 Main Street Montpelier VT 05602	\$ 30,000.	<b>Person</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Payroll</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Noncash</b> <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
4	Not Applicable - 501(c)(4) Organization 141 Main Street Montpelier VT 05602	\$ 30,000.	<b>Person</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Payroll</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Noncash</b> <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
5	Not Applicable - 501(c)(4) Organization 141 Main Street Montpelier VT 05602	\$ 25,300.	<b>Person</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Payroll</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Noncash</b> <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
6	Not Applicable - 501(c)(4) Organization 141 Main Street Montpelier VT 05602	\$ 6,500.	<b>Person</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Payroll</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Noncash</b> <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)

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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
7	Not Applicable - 501(c)(4) Organization 141 Main Street Montpelier VT 05602	\$ 5,000.	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
8	Not Applicable - 501(c)(4) Organization 141 Main Street Montpelier VT 05602	\$ 5,000.	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
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-----	-----	\$ -----	Person <input type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
-----	-----	\$ -----	Person <input type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (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
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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	
Transferee's name, address, and ZIP + 4	Relationship of transferor to transferee
.....	.....
.....	.....

(a) No. from Part I	(b) Purpose of gift	(c) Use of gift	(d) Description of how gift is held
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(e) Transfer of gift	
Transferee's name, address, and ZIP + 4	Relationship of transferor to transferee
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(a) No. from Part I	(b) Purpose of gift	(c) Use of gift	(d) Description of how gift is held
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(e) Transfer of gift	
Transferee's name, address, and ZIP + 4	Relationship of transferor to transferee
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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
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## SCHEDULE C (Form 990)

## Political Campaign and Lobbying Activities

OMB No. 1545-0047

# 2021

**Open to Public Inspection**

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

**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.**  
▶ **Go to [www.irs.gov/Form990](http://www.irs.gov/Form990) for instructions and the latest information.**

**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.

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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 . . . . . ▶ \$ 0.
- 3 Volunteer hours for political campaign activities. See instructions . . . . . 0

### 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 . . . . . ▶ \$ 0.
- 2 Enter the amount of the filing organization's funds contributed to other organizations for section 527 exempt function activities . . . . . ▶ \$ 0.
- 3 Total exempt function expenditures. Add lines 1 and 2. Enter here and on Form 1120-POL, line 17b . . . . . ▶ \$
- 4 Did the filing organization file **Form 1120-POL** for this year? . . . . .  Yes  No
- 5 Enter the names, addresses and employer identification number (EIN) of all section 527 political organizations to which the filing organization made payments. For each organization listed, enter the amount paid from the filing organization's funds. Also enter the amount of political contributions received that were promptly and directly delivered to a separate political organization, such as a separate segregated fund or a political action committee (PAC). If additional space is needed, provide information in Part IV.

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

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**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: 50%;">If the amount on line 1e, column (a) or (b) is:</th> <th style="width: 50%;">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) 2018	(b) 2019	(c) 2020	(d) 2021	(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					

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

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

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

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

**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 expenditure 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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## SCHEDULE D (Form 990)

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

### Supplemental Financial Statements

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

▶ Attach to Form 990.

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

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

	(a) Donor advised funds	(b) Funds and other accounts
1 Total number at end of year . . . . .		
2 Aggregate value of contributions to (during year) . . . . .		
3 Aggregate value of grants from (during year) . . . . .		
4 Aggregate value at end of year . . . . .		
5 Did the organization inform all donors and donor advisors in writing that the assets held in donor advised funds are the organization's property, subject to the organization's exclusive legal control? . . . . .		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
6 Did the organization inform all grantees, donors, and donor advisors in writing that grant funds can be used only for charitable purposes and not for the benefit of the donor or donor advisor, or for any other purpose conferring impermissible private benefit? . . . . .		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No

### Part II Conservation Easements.

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

1 Purpose(s) of conservation easements held by the organization (check all that apply). <input type="checkbox"/> Preservation of land for public use (for example, recreation or education) <input type="checkbox"/> Preservation of a historically important land area <input type="checkbox"/> Protection of natural habitat <input type="checkbox"/> Preservation of a certified historic structure <input type="checkbox"/> Preservation of open space	
2 Complete lines 2a through 2d if the organization held a qualified conservation contribution in the form of a conservation easement on the last day of the tax year.	
a Total number of conservation easements . . . . .	2a
b Total acreage restricted by conservation easements . . . . .	2b
c Number of conservation easements on a certified historic structure included in (a) . . . . .	2c
d Number of conservation easements included in (c) acquired after 7/25/06, and not on a historic structure listed in the National Register . . . . .	2d
3 Number of conservation easements modified, transferred, released, extinguished, or terminated by the organization during the tax year ▶	
4 Number of states where property subject to conservation easement is located ▶	
5 Does the organization have a written policy regarding the periodic monitoring, inspection, handling of violations, and enforcement of the conservation easements it holds? . . . . .	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
6 Staff and volunteer hours devoted to monitoring, inspecting, handling of violations, and enforcing conservation easements during the year ▶	
7 Amount of expenses incurred in monitoring, inspecting, handling of violations, and enforcing conservation easements during the year ▶ \$	
8 Does each conservation easement reported on line 2(d) above satisfy the requirements of section 170(h)(4)(B)(i) and section 170(h)(4)(B)(ii)? . . . . .	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
9 In Part XIII, describe how the organization reports conservation easements in its revenue and expense statement and balance sheet, and include, if applicable, the text of the footnote to the organization's financial statements that describes the organization's accounting for conservation easements.	

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

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

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

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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 make significant use of its collection items (check all that apply):

- a**  Public exhibition
- d**  Loan or exchange program
- b**  Scholarly research
- e**  Other .....
- c**  Preservation for future generations

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

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

**Part IV Escrow and Custodial Arrangements.**

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

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

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

	Amount
<b>1c</b> Beginning balance	
<b>1d</b> Additions during the year	
<b>1e</b> Distributions during the year	
<b>1f</b> 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 on Part XIII

**Part V Endowment Funds.**

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

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

		Yes	No
<b>(i)</b> Unrelated organizations	<b>3a(i)</b>		
<b>(ii)</b> Related organizations	<b>3a(ii)</b>		
<b>b</b> If "Yes" on line 3a(ii), are the related organizations listed as required on Schedule R?	<b>3b</b>		

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

**Part VI Land, Buildings, and Equipment.**

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

Description of property	(a) Cost or other basis (investment)	(b) Cost or other basis (other)	(c) Accumulated depreciation	(d) Book value
<b>1a</b> Land	0.	0.		0.
<b>b</b> Buildings	0.	0.	0.	0.
<b>c</b> Leasehold improvements	0.	5,838.	5,838.	0.
<b>d</b> Equipment	0.	63,620.	38,071.	25,549.
<b>e</b> Other	0.	7,948.	7,948.	0.
<b>Total.</b> Add lines 1a through 1e. (Column (d) must equal Form 990, Part X, column (B), line 10c.)				25,549.



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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) _____		
<b>Total.</b> (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)		
<b>Total.</b> (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) Due from affiliate (VPIREF)	1,807,851.
(2) Due from affiliate (VPIRG Votes)	3,317.
(3) Security deposit	5,425.
(4) Salary advances and miscellaneous receivables	1,833.
(5)	
(6)	
(7)	
(8)	
(9)	
<b>Total.</b> (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col. (B) line 15.) . . . . . ▶	1,818,426.

**Part X Other Liabilities.**

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

**Part XIII Supplemental Information.**

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

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**SCHEDULE I  
(Form 990)**

## 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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Vermont Public Interest Research Group, Inc.

Employer identification number

03-0228267

**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.

1 (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	(f) Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other)	(g) Description of noncash assistance	(h) Purpose of grant or assistance
(1) Vermont Public Interest Research & Education Fund, Inc. 141 Main Street #6 Montpelier VT 05602	51-0163801	501(c)(3)	500,000.	0.	N/A	N/A	General Support
(2)							
(3)							
(4)							
(5)							
(6)							
(7)							
(8)							
(9)							
(10)							
(11)							
(12)							

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

**3** Enter total number of other organizations listed in the line 1 table ▶ 0

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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.

(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
1					
2					
3					
4					
5					
6					
7					

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

Pt I Line 2: VPIRG (Grantor) and VPIREF (Grantee) are related entities as discussed in Schedule R and their relationship allows VPIRG regular oversight of the granted funds.

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## SCHEDULE O (Form 990)

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

### 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.

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Pt VI, Line 6: Supporters of VPIRG who make contributions of at least \$30 per year - to either VPIRG or its affiliate VPIREF - are automatically considered members.

Pt VI, Line 7a: Directors serve two-year terms with the membership generally electing half of the Directors each year via mail or electronic ballots.

Pt VI, Line 7b: Members must approve any changes to the Organization's bylaws.

Pt VI, Line 11b: A draft of Form 990 is reviewed by management with a copy of Form 990, in PDF format, made available to the Board prior to filing.

Pt VI, Line 12c: Board members are required to disclose any potential conflicts of interest annually with compliance monitored by management.

Pt VI, Line 15a: The Executive Committee of the governing Board reviews comparability information as part of the annual salary review of all top officials.

Pt VI, Line 15b: See above description for Part VI, Line 15a.

Pt VI, Line 19: The Organization does not release its financial statements or other governance documents. General financial information is provided annually to members.

Other: Part III / Line 4d - Other Programs:

Other: Democracy - VPIRG actively supports efforts to make our democracy more open and transparent. We seek to ensure that elections are fair and accessible, and we are committed to reducing the undue influence of money in our political process. In 2021, VPIRG helped pass legislation ensuring every active, registered Vermont voter will receive their general election ballot in the mail going forward. This policy was enacted as an emergency measure without the governor's signature in 2020 and contributed to the highest voter turnout in Vermont history. In 2021, VPIRG convened a powerful coalition to push to make that change permanent - and

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succeeded. VPIRG also led a diverse coalition in favor of a 2021 ballot question in support of a proposed charter change in Burlington to require Ranked Choice Voting (RCV) to be used in races for City Council moving forward.

Other: Environmental Health - VPIRG works to protect public health and our environment from the hidden dangers of toxic chemicals that we're exposed to every day. In 2021, VPIRG successfully supported passage of legislation restricting the sale of certain consumer products that contain toxic PFAS chemicals (per and poly-flouroalkyl substances) linked to harmful health impacts. The law bans the sale of common items containing PFAS - including firefighting foam and food packaging. It's also the first state law in the country to restrict PFAS chemicals from ski wax and carpets, rugs, and aftermarket stain treatments.

Other: Consumer Protection - VPIRG serves as a watchdog, protecting the public interest when corporations attempt to put profits over people, and ensures that the policies and laws that we do pass to protect the public interest are, in fact, enforced. In recent years, VPIRG's Consumer Protection Program has placed a specific emphasis on working for policies that protect consumers in the digital space. VPIRG also has a long commitment to addressing Vermont's connectivity issues and moving Vermont much more rapidly toward universal broadband coverage. Vermont policymakers made the most significant investment in state history toward providing world-class broadband internet service to every Vermont resident in 2021. Instead of directing precious resources to the same large telecoms that have so far failed to deliver universal access to Vermonters, this VPIRG-supported legislation invests in community-based solutions directing \$150 million toward the state's Communications Union Districts and small telecom providers to build out world-class, fiber-to-the-home networks in the next few years.

Other: Health Care Reform - VPIRG works to reform our health care system so that it provides all Vermonters access to quality, affordable health care when

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they need it. We remain committed to advancing policies that ensure no Vermonter ever has to decide between receiving a paycheck or caring for a loved one.

Pt III, Line 4d:

Expenses: \$298,915 including grants of: \$80,000 Revenue: \$0

Description: Other programs include Democracy, Environmental Health, Consumer Protection and Health Care Reform. See Schedule O (above) for a complete description of these programs.



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**SCHEDULE R  
(Form 990)**

## Related Organizations and Unrelated Partnerships

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

(a) Name, address, and EIN (if applicable) of disregarded entity	(b) Primary activity	(c) Legal domicile (state or foreign country)	(d) Total income	(e) End-of-year assets	(f) Direct controlling entity
(1) .....					
(2) .....					
(3) .....					
(4) .....					
(5) .....					
(6) .....					

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

(a) Name, address, and EIN of related organization	(b) Primary activity	(c) Legal domicile (state or foreign country)	(d) Exempt Code section	(e) Public charity status (if section 501(c)(3))	(f) Direct controlling entity	(g) Section 512(b)(13) controlled entity?	
						Yes	No
(1) <u>Vt Public Interest Res. &amp; Educ. Fund, Inc. 51-0163801</u> <u>141 Main St. #6 Montpelier VT 05602</u>	Education	VT	501(c)(3)	509(a)(1)	Vt Public Interest Research Group, Inc.	X	
(2) .....							
(3) .....							
(4) .....							
(5) .....							
(6) .....							
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**Part III Identification of Related Organizations Taxable as a Partnership.** Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 34, because it had one or more related organizations treated as a partnership during the tax year.

(a) Name, address, and EIN of related organization	(b) Primary activity	(c) Legal domicile (state or foreign country)	(d) Direct controlling entity	(e) Predominant income (related, unrelated, excluded from tax under sections 512–514)	(f) Share of total income	(g) Share of end-of-year assets	(h) Disproportionate allocations?		(i) Code V—UBI amount in box 20 of Schedule K-1 (Form 1065)	(j) General or managing partner?		(k) Percentage ownership
							Yes	No		Yes	No	
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**Part IV Identification of Related Organizations Taxable as a Corporation or Trust.** Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 34, because it had one or more related organizations treated as a corporation or trust during the tax year.

(a) Name, address, and EIN of related organization	(b) Primary activity	(c) Legal domicile (state or foreign country)	(d) Direct controlling entity	(e) Type of entity (C corp, S corp, or trust)	(f) Share of total income	(g) Share of end-of-year assets	(h) Percentage ownership	(i) Section 512(b)(13) controlled entity?	
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**Part V Transactions With Related Organizations.** Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 34, 35b, or 36.

**Note:** Complete line 1 if any entity is listed in Parts II, III, or IV of this schedule.

**1** During the tax year, did the organization engage in any of the following transactions with one or more related organizations listed in Parts II-IV?

- a** Receipt of **(i)** interest, **(ii)** annuities, **(iii)** royalties, or **(iv)** rent from a controlled entity . . . . .
- b** Gift, grant, or capital contribution to related organization(s) . . . . .
- c** Gift, grant, or capital contribution from related organization(s) . . . . .
- d** Loans or loan guarantees to or for related organization(s) . . . . .
- e** Loans or loan guarantees by related organization(s) . . . . .
  
- f** Dividends from related organization(s) . . . . .
- g** Sale of assets to related organization(s) . . . . .
- h** Purchase of assets from related organization(s) . . . . .
- i** Exchange of assets with related organization(s) . . . . .
- j** Lease of facilities, equipment, or other assets to related organization(s) . . . . .
  
- k** Lease of facilities, equipment, or other assets from related organization(s) . . . . .
- l** Performance of services or membership or fundraising solicitations for related organization(s) . . . . .
- m** Performance of services or membership or fundraising solicitations by related organization(s) . . . . .
- n** Sharing of facilities, equipment, mailing lists, or other assets with related organization(s) . . . . .
- o** Sharing of paid employees with related organization(s) . . . . .
  
- p** Reimbursement paid to related organization(s) for expenses . . . . .
- q** Reimbursement paid by related organization(s) for expenses . . . . .
  
- r** Other transfer of cash or property to related organization(s) . . . . .
- s** Other transfer of cash or property from related organization(s) . . . . .

	Yes	No
<b>1a</b>		X
<b>1b</b>	X	
<b>1c</b>		X
<b>1d</b>	X	
<b>1e</b>		X
<b>1f</b>		X
<b>1g</b>		X
<b>1h</b>		X
<b>1i</b>		X
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<b>1m</b>		X
<b>1n</b>	X	
<b>1o</b>	X	
<b>1p</b>		X
<b>1q</b>		X
<b>1r</b>		X
<b>1s</b>		X

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

(a) Name of related organization	(b) Transaction type (a-s)	(c) Amount involved	(d) Method of determining amount involved
<b>(1)</b> Vermont Public Interest Research and Education Fund, Inc.	b	500,000.	Cost
<b>(2)</b> Vermont Public Interest Research and Education Fund, Inc.	d	1,807,851.	Cost
<b>(3)</b> Vermont Public Interest Research and Education Fund, Inc.	n	24,651.	Cost
<b>(4)</b> Vermont Public Interest Research and Education Fund, Inc.	o	414,167.	Cost
<b>(5)</b>			
<b>(6)</b>			

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

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

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

**Supplemental Information**

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

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Form **8868**

## Application for Automatic Extension of Time To File an Exempt Organization Return

(Rev. January 2022)

OMB No. 1545-0047

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

► **File a separate application for each return.**  
► **Go to [www.irs.gov/Form8868](http://www.irs.gov/Form8868) for the latest information.**

**Electronic filing (e-file).** You can electronically file Form 8868 to request a 6-month automatic extension of time to file any of the forms listed below with the exception of Form 8870, Information Return for Transfers Associated With Certain Personal Benefit Contracts, for which an extension request must be sent to the IRS in paper format (see instructions). For more details on the electronic filing of this form, visit [www.irs.gov/e-file-providers/e-file-for-charities-and-non-profits](http://www.irs.gov/e-file-providers/e-file-for-charities-and-non-profits).

**Automatic 6-Month Extension of Time.** Only submit original (no copies needed).

All corporations required to file an income tax return other than Form 990-T (including 1120-C filers), partnerships, REMICs, and trusts must use Form 7004 to request an extension of time to file income tax returns.

<b>Type or print</b>  File by the due date for filing your return. See instructions.	Name of exempt organization or other filer, see instructions. <u>Vermont Public Interest Research Group, Inc.</u>	Taxpayer identification number (TIN) <u>03-0228267</u>
	Number, street, and room or suite no. If a P.O. box, see instructions. <u>141 Main Street, #6</u>	
	City, town or post office, state, and ZIP code. For a foreign address, see instructions. <u>Montpelier VT 05602</u>	

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

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

• The books are in the care of ► Paul Burns

Telephone No. ► (802) 223-5221 Fax No. ► (802) 223-6855

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

**1** I request an automatic 6-month extension of time until Nov 15, 20 22, to file the exempt organization return for the organization named above. The extension is for the organization's return for:

►  calendar year 20 21 or

►  tax year beginning \_\_\_\_\_, 20 \_\_\_\_\_, and ending \_\_\_\_\_, 20 \_\_\_\_\_.

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

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

**Caution:** If you are going to make an electronic funds withdrawal (direct debit) with this Form 8868, see Form 8453-TE and Form 8879-TE for payment instructions.

For Privacy Act and Paperwork Reduction Act Notice, see instructions.

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