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A For the 2020 calendar year, or tax year beginning 07-01-2020, and ending 06-30-2021

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

C Name of organization
CONNECTICUT PUBLIC INTEREST RESEARCH GROUP INC

Number and street (or P. O. box, if mail is not delivered to street address)Room/suite
2074 Park Street Suite 210

City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code
Hartford, CT 06106

D Employer identification number
06-0906331

E Telephone number
(959) 214-8540

F Group Exemption Number

G Accounting Method: ☐ Cash ☒ Accrual Other (specify) ☐

H Check ☒ if the organization is not required to attach Schedule B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF).

I Website: <https://connpirgstudents.org/>

J Tax-exempt status (check only one) ☐ 501(c)(3) ☒ 501(c)(4) (insert no. ☐ 4947(a)(1) or ☐ 527

K Form of organization: ☒ Corporation ☐ Trust ☐ Association ☐ Other

L Add lines 5b, 6c, and 7b to line 9 to determine gross receipts. If gross receipts are \$200,000 or more, or if total assets (Part II, column (B) below) are \$500,000 or more, file Form 990 instead of Form 990-EZ. \$24,914

Part I Revenue, Expenses, and Changes in Net Assets or Fund Balances (see the instructions for Part I)

Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part I ☒

Revenue	1	Contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts received	1	24,914
	2	Program service revenue including government fees and contracts	2	0
	3	Membership dues and assessments	3	0
	4	Investment income	4	0
	5a	Gross amount from sale of assets other than inventory	5a	0
	b	Less: cost or other basis and sales expenses	5b	0
	c	Gain or (loss) from sale of assets other than inventory (Subtract line 5b from line 5a)	5c	0
	6	Gaming and fundraising events		
	a	Gross income from gaming (attach Schedule G if greater than \$15,000)	6a	0
	b	Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$0 of contributions from fundraising events reported on line 1) (attach Schedule G if the sum of such gross income and contributions exceeds \$15,000).	6b	0
Expenses	c	Less: direct expenses from gaming and fundraising events	6c	0
	d	Net income or (loss) from gaming and fundraising events (add lines 6a and 6b and subtract line 6c)	6d	0
	7a	Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances	7a	0
	b	Less: cost of goods sold	7b	0
	c	Gross profit or (loss) from sales of inventory (Subtract line 7b from line 7a)	7c	0
	8	Other revenue (describe in Schedule O)	8	0
	9	Total revenue. Add lines 1, 2, 3, 4, 5c, 6d, 7c, and 8	9	24,914
	10	Grants and similar amounts paid (list in Schedule O)	10	0
	11	Benefits paid to or for members	11	0
	12	Salaries, other compensation, and employee benefits	12	35,799
Net Assets	13	Professional fees and other payments to independent contractors	13	14,613
	14	Occupancy, rent, utilities, and maintenance	14	0
	15	Printing, publications, postage, and shipping	15	1,318
	16	Other expenses (describe in Schedule O)	16	15,292
	17	Total expenses. Add lines 10 through 16	17	67,022
	18	Excess or (deficit) for the year (Subtract line 17 from line 9)	18	-42,108
	19	Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (from line 27, column (A)) (must agree with end-of-year figure reported on prior year's return)	19	359,851
	20	Other changes in net assets or fund balances (explain in Schedule O)	20	0
	21	Net assets or fund balances at end of year. Combine lines 18 through 20	21	317,743

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Part II

Balance Sheets

(see the instructions for Part II)

Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part II

	(A) Beginning of year		(B) End of year
22 Cash, savings, and investments	350,505	22	281,847
23 Land and buildings	0	23	0
24 Other assets (describe in Schedule O)	106,423	24	107,575
25 Total assets	456,928	25	389,422
26 Total liabilities (describe in Schedule O).	97,077	26	71,679
27 Net assets or fund balances (line 27 of column (B) must agree with line 21)	359,851	27	317,743

Part III

Statement of Program Service Accomplishments

(see the instructions for Part III)

Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part III

What is the organization's primary exempt purpose?
(1) In general to advocate and participate in projects and activities promoting the public interest, said project and activities to be representative of the goals and concerns of the students of participating colleges and universities in the State of CT as determined on a priority basis by a Student BOD elected in accordance with the By-Laws of ConnPIRG; (2) To employ through the Student BOD a staff of full and part-time professionals (from such fields as law, accounting, social sciences, economics, engineering, and ecology) to carry out projects and activities with significant impact on the public well-being; 3) To engage in research, studies, preparation, and submission of written reports, representation, litigation, lobbying, public education, and similar efforts to advocate the public interest in such areas (by way of illustration, not limitation) as governmental responsibility, environmental preservation, equal rights, consumer protection, and corporate responsibility.
Describe the organization's program service accomplishments for each of its three largest program services, as measured by expenses. In a clear and concise manner, describe the services provided, the number of persons benefited, and other relevant information for each program title.

28 Researching and influencing public policy: the organization engages in activities including research, education, and legal and policy development on the following issues: environmental protection, consumer protection, and hunger and homelessness.
(Grants \$ 0) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here

29 Public education and outreach: recruiting volunteers, distributing educational literature, conducting surveys, and discussing issues with the public on the following issues: environmental protection, consumer protection, and hunger and homelessness.
(Grants \$ 0) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here

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(Grants \$) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here

31 Other program services (describe in Schedule O)
(Grants \$) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here

32 Total program service expenses (add lines 28a through 31a)

Expenses

(Required for section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations; optional for others.)

28a35,281

29a15,121

30a

31a

3250,402

Part IV

List of Officers, Directors, Trustees, and Key Employees

(list each one even if not compensated — see the instructions for Part IV)

Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part IV.

(a) Name and title	(b) Average hours per week devoted to position	(c) Reportable compensation (Forms W-2/1099-MISC) (if not paid, enter -0-)	(d) Health benefits, contributions to employee benefit plans, and deferred compensation	(e) Estimated amount of other compensation
Caroline Munn	1	0	0	0
Chair, Director				
Rachel Papalski	1	0	0	0
Vice Chair, Director				
Jackson Lyon	1	0	0	0
Secretary, Director				
Julia McLaughlin	10	0	0	0
Organizing Director				

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Part V

Other Information (Note the Schedule A and personal benefit contract statement requirements in the instructions for Part V.) Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part V.

			Yes	No
33	Did the organization engage in any significant activity not previously reported to the IRS? If "Yes," provide a detailed description of each activity in Schedule O	33		No
34	Were any significant changes made to the organizing or governing documents? If "Yes," attach a conformed copy of the amended documents if they reflect a change to the organization's name. Otherwise, explain the change on Schedule O. See instructions.	34		No
35a	Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year from business activities (such as those reported on lines 2, 6a, and 7a, among others)?	35a		No
b	If "Yes," to line 35a, has the organization filed a Form 990-T for the year? If "No," provide an explanation in Schedule O	35b		
c	Was the organization a section 501(c)(4), 501(c)(5), or 501(c)(6) organization subject to section 6033(e) notice, reporting, and proxy tax requirements during the year? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part III	35c		No
36	Did the organization undergo a liquidation, dissolution, termination, or significant disposition of net assets during the year? If "Yes," complete applicable parts of Schedule N	36		No
37a	Enter amount of political expenditures, direct or indirect, as described in the instructions.	37a	0	
b	Did the organization file Form 1120-POL for this year?	37b		No
38a	Did the organization borrow from, or make any loans to, any officer, director, trustee, or key employee or were any such loans made in a prior year and still outstanding at the end of the tax year covered by this return?	38a		No
b	If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part II and enter the total amount involved	38b		
39	Section 501(c)(7) organizations. Enter:			
a	Initiation fees and capital contributions included on line 9	39a		
b	Gross receipts, included on line 9, for public use of club facilities	39b		
40a	Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Enter amount of tax imposed on the organization during the year under: section 4911; section 4912; section 4955			
b	Section 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations. Did the organization engage in any section 4958 excess benefit transaction during the year, or did it engage in an excess benefit transaction in a prior year that has not been reported on any of its prior Forms 990 or 990-EZ? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I	40b		No
c	Section 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations. Enter amount of tax imposed on organization managers or disqualified persons during the year under sections 4912, 4955, and 4958		0	
d	Section 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations. Enter amount of tax on line 40c reimbursed by the organization		0	
e	All organizations. At any time during the tax year, was the organization a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction? If "Yes," complete Form 8886-T	40e		No
41	List the states with which a copy of this return is filed.	CT		
42a	The organization's books are in care of Leah Perkins Telephone no. (303) 573-5995 Located at 1534 Wazee St Suite 400 Denver, CO ZIP + 4 80202			
			Yes	No
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)? If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country:	42b		No
	See the instructions for exceptions and filing requirements for FinCEN Form 114, Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts (FBAR).			
c	At any time during the calendar year, did the organization maintain an office outside the U.S.? If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country:	42c		No
43	Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts filing Form 990-EZ in lieu of Form 1041 - Check here and enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the tax year	43		
			Yes	No
44a	Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds during the year? If "Yes," Form 990 must be completed instead of Form 990-EZ	44a		No
b	Did the organization operate one or more hospital facilities during the year? If "Yes," Form 990 must be completed instead of Form 990-EZ	44b		No
c	Did the organization receive any payments for indoor tanning services during the year?	44c		No
d	If "Yes," to line 44c, has the organization filed a Form 720 to report these payments? If "No," provide an explanation in Schedule O	44d		
45a	Did the organization have a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)?	45a		No
45b	Did the organization receive any payment from or engage in any transaction with a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? If "Yes," Form 990 and Schedule R may need to be completed instead of Form 990-EZ (see instructions)	45b		No

	Yes	No
46 Did the organization engage, directly or indirectly, in political campaign activities on behalf of or in opposition to candidates for public office? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part I.		
46		No

Part VISection 501(c)(3) Organizations Only

All section 501(c)(3) organizations must answer questions 47- 49b and 52, and complete the tables for lines 50 and 51.

Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part VI

	Yes	No
47 Did the organization engage in lobbying activities or have a section 501(h) election in effect during the tax year? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part II		
48 Is the organization a school as described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? If "Yes," complete Schedule E		
49a Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization?		
49b		
b If "Yes," was the related organization a section 527 organization?		

50 Complete this table for the organization's five highest compensated employees (other than officers, directors, trustees and key employees) who each received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization. If there is none, enter "None."

(a) Name and title of each employee	(b) Average hours per week devoted to position	(c) Reportable compensation (Forms W-2/1099-MISC)	(d) Health benefits, contributions to employee benefit plans, and deferred compensation	(e) Estimated amount of other compensation

f Total number of other employees paid over \$100,000 ▶

51 Complete this table for the organization's five highest compensated independent contractors who each received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization. If there is none, enter "None."

(a) Name and business address of each independent contractor	(b) Type of service	(c) Compensation

d Total number of other independent contractors each receiving over \$100,000. ▶

52 Did the organization complete Schedule A? **NOTE.** All section 501(c)(3) organizations must attach a completed Schedule A ▶ ☐ Yes ☐ No

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

Sign Here	Signature of officer	2022-05-02			
	Julia McLaughlin Organizing Director	Date			
Paid Preparer Use Only	Print/Type preparer's name	Preparer's signature	Date	Check ☐ if self-employed	PTIN
	Firm's name ▶	Firm's EIN ▶			
	Firm's address ▶	Phone no.			

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

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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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Inspection**

Department of the Treasury

Name of the organization

CONNECTICUT PUBLIC INTEREST RESEARCH GROUP INC

Employer identification number

06-0906331

Return Reference	Explanation
Form 990- EZ, Part I, Line 16	Description;Amount^Coalition Dues;12954 Insurance;1785 Depreciation;453 Filing Fees;100^Total;15292^
Form 990- EZ, Part II, Line 24	Description;EOY Amount^Accounts Receivable;107575^Total;107575^
Form 990- EZ, Part II, Line 26	Description;EOY Amount^Accounts Payable;71679^Total;71679^

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